

Jasper County Commission of Veteran Affairs

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14 June 2017

Minutes

At 1500 Commissioner Marta Ford called the monthly meeting of the Jasper County Commission of Veteran Affairs to order. Susan Springer and Jerry Nelson were the other two commissioners in attendance. Jerome Gunderson called in on speaker phone. Commissioner John Billingsley was absent. Others in attendance were Veteran Affairs Director Kurt Jackson, Keith Thorpe and Justin Jagler of the "Newton Daily News".

The minutes of the 10 May 2017 meeting were reviewed. With no additions or correction Marta Ford made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

Grant Fund Uses: Kurt Jackson shared with the commission the FY 2017 \$10,000.00 Iowa Grant Expenditure Report. A balance of \$231.78 remains to be spent prior to 1 July 2017. The commissioners' general consensus was to have Kurt spend the remainder of this money at his discretion.

Flag Case Box:

Die Block: Jerry Nelson made a motion to purchase a die block for \$875.00 from PCA – Packaging Corporation of America located in Marshalltown Iowa for the manufacturing of cardboard boxes to transport and store our flag case holders. Jerome Gunderson seconded. Those in favor of the motion were Jerry Nelson, Jerome Gunderson and Marta Ford. Those opposed, Susan Springer. Motion passed. This die block will solely be owned by Jasper County Veterans Affairs.

Box: Jerry Nelson made a motion to include the cost of the manufactured flag box by PCA into the cost of the Flag Case and not to exceed \$5.00. Jerome Gunderson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Jasper County Picnic Table Plaque: Kurt Jackson shared with the commission what the plaque will look like on the picnic table at the Jasper County Fair Grounds in Colfax which the commission purchased at our last meeting in May 2017.

Newton Union Cemetery: The commissioners voiced concerns about the maintenance of the veteran sections at the Newton Union Cemetery.

(i.e. flags, grave markers, grave records, grave lots and general maintenance)

New Business:

May Budget – Donations: The May Budget was presented to the commission and also a report of donations which have been received from several families to support veterans in need.

Shirts: The commissioners' consensus was to have Kurt Jackson continue to find a good quality shirt and that the embroidery work would be done locally.

Vietnam Veteran Books: Kurt Jackson reported that he had picked up in Des Moines 600 Vietnam Veteran books from the Iowa Department of Veteran Affairs. The books are to be given to in-country Vietnam Veterans first and then given to Vietnam Era veterans. Kurt has put this information on our Facebook page.

IACCVSO Summer School Jul 19th and 20: Kurt Jackson shared with the commission the agenda for Summer School 2017.

At 16:16 Jerry Nelson made a motion to adjourn. Susan Springer seconded. Motion Passed. Meeting Adjourned.

Confirm 3:00 PM Meeting for July 12, 2017