

Jasper County Commission of Veteran Affairs
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Commissioners: Marta Ford, Susan Springer, Jerry Nelson, Mike Naber, Matthew Smith

11 August 2021

Agenda

Call the Meeting to Order:

Approve Minutes: 14 July 2021 Regular Meeting

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Veterans Outreach Tasks “The workshop will be held 15 September 2021.**
- 2. Female Veterans Symposium “Bombshell Patriots”**
- 3.**

New Business:

- 1. July 2021 Director’s Activity Report**
- 2. July 2021 Budget Report**
- 3. Allocation Fund (FY 2021 – 2022) \$0.00 (to date not received)**
- 4. Quilts of Valor**
- 5.**

Public Input & Announcements:

Confirm next meeting: 8 September 2021 at 1500 in the Annex Building.

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Minutes

At 1500 Chairwoman Susan Springer called the Regular Scheduled Meeting of the Jasper County Veterans Affairs to order. The commissioners in attendance were Marta Ford, Jerry Nelson and Michael Naber. Also, in attendance was VSO/Secretary Keith Thorpe. Commissioner Matthew Smith and Director Kurt Jackson were absent.

Approve Minutes: 9 June 2021 Regular Meeting: Marta Ford made a motion and Michael Naber seconded to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

1. **Veterans Outreach Tasks:** The commission has scheduled a workshop meeting for 15 September 2021 at 1500 in the Annex Building to determine Veterans Outreach Tasks.
2. **Open Meetings and Laws “Closed Sessions”:** Marta Ford will deliver the commissions “security box” containing memory flash cards to the Jasper County Auditor for safe keeping. These flash cards contain the audio from the commissions past “closed meetings”. The keys for the box will be in the possession of Chairwomen Springer and Commissioner Ford.
3. **Female Veterans Symposium “Bombshell Patriots 24 – 26 September Des Moines:**
The commission discussed the upcoming event which will sponsor local female veterans to attend the symposium. Depending on the number of applicants, the commission may provide funding to cover hotel accommodations.

New Business:

1. **June 2021 Director’s Activity Report** was presented to the commission.
2. **June 2021 Budget/Allocation Fund FY 2020-2021** was presented to the commission.
3. **Allocation Fund (FY2020 – 2021):** The \$10,000.00 from the state has yet to arrive.
4. **4th Quarter FY 2020-2021 Report to the Jasper County Board of Supervisors:**
Mike Naber made a motion and Jerry Nelson seconded to approve the 4th Quarter Report. Motion passed unanimously. The report will be presented to the supervisors.
5. **\$25.00 Gas Cards (Donation Account):** Marta Ford made a motion and Mike Naber seconded to purchase four \$25.00 gas cards. Motion passed unanimously.

Announcements:

Jerry Nelson told the commission that the Jasper County Fair is recognizing Jasper County Veterans on Sunday, July 18, 2021. Proceeds from this event will be given to the Jasper County Veterans Commission.

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Public Input: (None)

Confirm next meeting for Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 1500 in the Annex Building.

At 1530 Michael Naber made a motion and Marta Ford seconded to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

/s/ Keith N. Thorpe

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Directors Activities Report – July 2021

I. Ongoing Projects

- a. Vietnam Veteran Book (17) books remaining.

II. Veterans Assisted;

- a. Appointments - **10**
- b. Call-ins – **63 (224)**
- c. Iowa Veteran Home applications - **0**
- d. Iowa Trust Fund application - **0**
- e. Health Care applications - **0**
- f. Disability Claims/upgrades - **2**
- g. Pension assistance – **0**
- h. Military Grave Records processed – **5**
- i. Veteran Deaths for Memorial Day Reading - **7**
- j. Grave Markers - 1 / Flag Cases - **0**
- k. Misc. Forms - **9**
- l. Financial Assistance requests – **2**
- m. Records Correction Requests – **0**

Description	Code	Total \$	Voucher	Date of Request	DATE of Check	What for?	Miles	Who Paid
Wages-Elected/Dept Head								
Kurt Jackson		\$1,570.23			7/7/2021	Salary		Kurt Jackson
Kurt Jackson		\$1,595.26			7/21/2021	Salary		Kurt Jackson
Wages - Part Time Assistant								
Keith Thorpe		\$703.20			7/7/2021	Wages		Keith Thorpe
Keith Thorpe		\$714.40			7/21/2021	wages		Keith Thorpe
Wages-Vet Affairs Commission								
Marta Ford		\$50.00				Monthly Meeting		Marta Ford
Mike Naber		\$50.00				Attended		Mike Naber
Jerry Nelson		\$0.00				Attended		
Matthew Smith		\$0.00				Absent		Matthew Smith
Sue Springer		\$50.00				Attended		Sue Springer
Advertisement								
Newton Daly News		\$240.00		6/30/2021	7/27/2021	Advertising		News Printing Company
Hometown Press		\$76.00		6/30/2021	7/27/2021	Advertising		Hometown Press
Maint-Office/Computer Equip								
The Shredder		\$42.00		7/19/2021	8/3/2021	Shredding Services		The Shredder
Premier Copier		\$17.07		6/30/2021	7/27/2021	Copier Contract		Premier Copier
Forbes Office Solutions		\$55.79		7/1/2021	7/27/2021	Envelopes / (5) Memory Cards / Mailing Tape		Forbes Office Solutions
Rent Payments								
Super 8 Newton	CM7326	\$302.37		7/26/2021	8/27/2021	Shelter (3 nights for homeless veteran)		Super 8 Newton
Karen S. Backus	WR3450	\$625.00		7/27/2021	8/17/2021	Shelater (Rent)		Karen S. Backus, Newton, Ia. (Landlord)
Utilities (Electric)								
Alliant Energy	WR3450	\$246.49		7/27/2021	8/17/2021	Utilities (Electric)		Alliant Energy
Water Payments								
Newton Waterworks	WR3450	\$66.04		7/27/2021	8/17/2021	Utilities (Water)		Newton Waterworks
Natural Gas Payments								
Black Hill Energy	WR3450	\$32.55		7/27/2021	8/17/2021	Utilities (Natural Gas)		Black Hills Energy
Other Transportation (RIDE)								
Debbie Boehmer		\$22.96		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	1264	Jasper County Rides
Bruce Coyle		\$22.96		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	41	Jasper County Rides
Bill Ehler		\$39.20		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	70	Jasper County Rides
Don Goode		\$133.84		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	239	Jasper County Rides
Mary Helms		\$90.72		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	162	Jasper County Rides
Paul Koeppen		\$33.60		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	233	Jasper County Rides
Larry Pauley		\$130.48		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	60	Jasper County Rides
Becky Ruehle		\$51.52		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	92	Jasper County Rides
Kaen Staker		\$24.64		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	44	Jasper County Rides
Sherman Swank		\$41.44		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	74	Jasper County Rides
Bill Umbarger		\$116.48		7/7/2021	7/20/2021	Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	208	Jasper County Rides
Fica-County Portion								
		\$341.09						
IPERS-County Portion								
		\$432.64						
Employee Group Insurance								
		\$1,704.36						

Administrative Expenses				\$5,163.95
Transport Assistance	\$707.84	1264.0	Miles	
Shelter Assistance	\$927.37			
Food Assistance	\$0.00			
Utility Assistance	\$345.08			
Medical & Other Assistance	\$0.00			
Funeral Assistance	\$0.00			
Assistance Expenses				\$1,980.29
Outreach Expenses				\$0.00
Admin2 Expenses				\$2,478.09
Monthly Operating Expenses				\$9,622.33

State Allocation Fund Balance		\$0.00
Public Donation Fund Balance		\$4,674.08

Veteran Assistance			
Rent, Electric, Water, Gas	WR3450	\$970.08	
Shelter (3 nights for homeless veteran)	CM7326	\$302.37	
Transport Veterans to Medical Appt June 2021	Jasper County Rides	\$707.84	
		\$1,980.29	