

JEFFERSON COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES

April 17, 2019

Jefferson County Courthouse
311 S. Center Ave., Rm 112
Jefferson, WI 53549

Commission Members:

Timothy Anhalt, Michael Clish, Joseph Naylor, Jim Seidl, Augie Tietz

1. **Call to Order**
Meeting was called to order by Seidl at 3:00 p.m.
2. **Roll Call**
Veterans Service Commission Members present were:
Tim Anhalt, Michael Clish, Joseph Naylor, Jim Seidl and Augie Tietz.

Others Present: Yvonne Duesterhoeft, Veterans Service Officer and J. Blair Ward, Corporation Counsel; Ben Wehmeier and Josh Paul, Management Information Systems.
3. **Certification of compliance with Open Meetings Law**
Staff certified compliance with the Open Meetings Law.
4. **Review of Agenda**
No changes.
5. **Public Comment**
None
6. **Approval of minutes from March 28, 2019 commission meeting**
Minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Seidl/Tietz to approve the March 28, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. Motion passed 5-0.
7. **Communications**
 - Draft minutes from March 28th, 2019
 - The IT Department showed a video featuring the Kenosha County Commissioner from the County Veterans Service Officers Association of Wisconsin meeting.
8. **Review of Veterans Service Commission charter and aid policy**
A draft charter and aid policy were provided for review. Ward will make the suggested changes and send it out to the commission for review before the next meeting.

Motion by Seidl/Anhalt to raise the maximum distribution to \$500 and review this amount annually. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion by Tietz/Anhalt to eliminate the term limits. Motion passed 5-0.
9. **Discussion and possible action on establishing a Veterans Service Commission Loan Guarantee Program**
No action taken.
10. **Discussion and possible action on establishing a Veterans Foundation**
Anhalt provided a sample trust agreement to Duesterhoeft and Ward for review. Ward will draft an agreement appropriate for Jefferson County and bring it back to the commission for review. Staff will try and submit the application before the end of April. No action taken.
11. **Discussion of Veterans events/private donations**
No action taken.
12. **Discussion and possible action on a housing initiative for the risk or literally homeless**
Josh Paul from IT demonstrated a program that was developed for the Jefferson County Housing Program that will allow instant access to rental property information. No action taken.

13. **Set Commission's meeting date and discuss potential items for future agendas:**

The next meeting is scheduled for May 15th at 3:00 p.m.

- Approval of minutes from April 17, 2019 commission meeting
- Discussion and possible action on foundation members
- Discussion and possible action on sending our commissioners to the Wisconsin State Association of County Veterans Service Commissions (WSACVSC) 2019 Annual Conference on September 13th, 2019 at American Legion Post 54, 2100 South Maple Avenue, Marshfield, WI 54449.

14. **Adjourn**

Motion by Anhalt/Naylor to adjourn at 4:38 p.m. Motion approved 4-0.