

JEFFERSON COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES

May 15, 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 Naylor at 3:10 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Veterans Service Commission Members present were:

Tim Anhalt, Michael Clish, Joseph Naylor and Augie Tietz

Excused: Jim Seidl

Others Present: Yvonne Duesterhoeft, Veterans Service Officer, J. Blair Ward, Corporation Counsel and Ben Wehmeier, County Administrator

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 April 17, 2019 commission meeting**

Minutes were provided for review.

Motion by Tietz /Clish to approve the April 17, 2019 meeting minutes as revised. Motion passed 4-0.

7. **Communications**

- Articles of Incorporation Non-Stock Not for Profit Corporation
- Jefferson County Veterans Foundation Initiatives
- Draft of the Statement of Policy – Jefferson County Veterans Service Commission
- Charter of the Jefferson County Veterans Service Commission
- Draft Minutes from April 17, 2019

8. **Review of Veterans Service Commission charter and aid policy**

A draft of the Statement of Policy – Jefferson County Veterans Service Commission and Charter of the Jefferson County Veterans Service Commission were provided for review. The commission discussed the documents and discussed revisions. Ward will email the revised policy to the commission for review. No action taken.

~~Motion by / to approve the Statement of Policy – Jefferson County Veterans Service Commission as amended. 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**

We received the Articles of Incorporation , Non-Stock, Not for Profit Corporation. A spreadsheet with Veterans Foundation Initiatives was provided for review. It was suggested that the foundation be made up of 9 individuals including the chair or vice chair and two additional members of the Veterans Service Commission. The commission will be looking for members to be a part of the Veterans Foundation. The group will hold a retreat to draft the bylaws.

Motion by Anhalt/Naylor to schedule a retreat to draft the bylaws. Motion passed.

11. **Discussion of Veterans events/private donations/possible fundraisers**

No action taken.

12. **Discussion and possible action on a housing initiative for the risk or literally homeless**

No action taken.

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

The next meeting is scheduled for June 28th at 12:00 p.m.

- Approval of minutes from May 15, 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 Tietz/Anhalt to adjourn at 4:38 p.m. Motion approved 4-0.