

Minutes of Veterans Affairs Commission  
May 11, 2022

The meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. in the small meeting room. Members present were:

Robin Housley  
Stephen Wheeler  
Bill VanWaes  
Mike Male

Chair Greg Bell absent on active duty orders.

Minutes of the April 6, 2022 meeting were read. Commissioner Housley made the motion to accept, Commissioner Wheeler seconded. Approved by all present.

May reports were reviewed. Reports were approved.

Old business: Grave markers were discussed. Commissioner Wheeler shared the feedback he received from the Mechanicsville Legion members. It was a 50/50 split on whether they liked the different option or not. The city is still fighting on replacing 12 damaged markers. The Administrator also has been showing the different option and it is about a 50/50 split on positive and negative. Commissioner Male will share the marker with the Durant Legion members to get their feedback even though most will be buried in a Muscatine County cemetery, their feedback will be important.

The Administrator also let the Commission know there are some issues with the grave marker distribution. The company we get them from is just now issuing markers from January orders. More than likely there will be an issue getting the markers prior to Memorial Day.

New Business: The Administrator asked Commissioner Housley and Commissioner Male if they would continue serving as their term is up on June 30<sup>th</sup>. They both agreed. The Commission will need to vote officially next month to re-appoint and they will need to sign letters.

Next Commissioner meeting will be held on June 15, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. This will be a week later as the Administrator is at training. The time is also adjusted for summer hours to accommodate Commissioner Bell's work schedule. Motion made by Commissioner Van Waes, seconded by Commissioner Male. Motion carried.



Patricia Hamann, Administrator