

Minutes of Veterans Affairs Commission  
April 24, 2024

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

Robin Housley  
Mike Male  
Shelly Howsare  
Greg Bell

Absent: Bill VanWaes

Minutes of the March 13, 2024 meeting were read. Commissioner Housley made the motion to accept, Commissioner Howsare. Approved by all present.

April reports were reviewed. Reports were approved.

Old business: The Administrator updated the Commission on legislative bills. There was a signing with the Governor at our Spring School for HF259 which changed the definition of a Veteran, put in requirements for VSO position of a PIV card, changed the way we receive our CEU's which all have to be done at a national level now, and how burials for Veterans are paid.

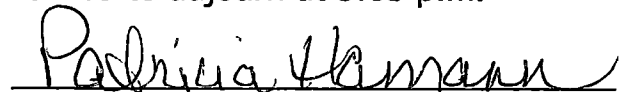
There was also a bill that made it through and is waiting for the Governor's signature to fund each county \$3,000 for national training. This will help with the requirement of how we are to receive our training starting July 1, 2024.

New business: The Administrator discussed the National training coming up in May. It is being held in Denver. The conference starts on Mother's day, the Administrator is flying there on Saturday due to the delegate meeting and opening ceremonies held on Sunday.

The Administrator gave an update on flags and markers. We ordered a bunch of Korean markers, and they are already gone. Depending on the flag orders, the Administrator would like to potentially order more markers out of this year's budget. The Commissioners were ok with that.

A report was shared with the Commission regarding our numbers for March from the regional office. We are up \$23,699 per month since December 2023. We have also surpassed the half a million mark a month in compensation and pension coming into the county. We are at \$504,046 per month in federal income. This does not include all of the items on the GDX report.

Next Commissioner meeting will be held on May 8th, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. Motion made by Commissioner Male, seconded by Commissioner Housley. Motion carried to adjourn at 5:05 p.m.

  
Patricia Hamann, Administrator