

Minutes of Veterans Affairs Commission  
October 23, 2024

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

Robin Housley  
Mike Male  
Michael Stigers  
Shelly Howsare  
Bill VanWaes - absent

Minutes of the September 18, 2024 meeting were read. Commissioner Housley made the motion to accept, Commissioner Stigers seconded. Approved by all present.

October reports were reviewed. Reports were approved.

Old business: Discussion was held regarding the appreciation event. The Administrator informed the Commission that the newsletter was sent to the printer. The flyer was given to the Commission. This flyer was uploaded to the facebook page and shared on the county residents page, Tipton residents page and the Administrator's personal page. Commissioners will share to their respective city pages also. Commissioner Housley stated that the Rock Island Cemetery will be attending the event also.

The Administrator stated that the Recorder's and Public Health staff will be joining to offer some county services and information. The VFW Auxiliary members will be assisting with directing traffic that day.

New business: The Administrator gave the Commission the dates for Vets Day on the Hill which will be Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

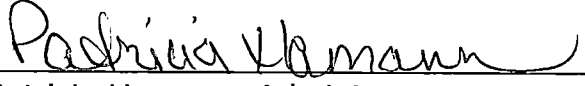
The Administrator shared information on the Thrive training that will be attended to address mental health in Veterans.

Discussion was held regarding the Commission training that was attended last week. There were some questions about the code that didn't make sense to the Commission members regarding replacement of the CVSO when there is a vacancy. Commissioner Male asked for an updated listing of who to contact in case of an emergency with the CVSO. The Administrator will update their list that includes where keys are, who has access to passwords and who to call.

The numbers from the regional office were shared. We are up to \$551,269 per month of federal dollars coming into the county. There are currently 17 claims

that are ready for decision out of 79 waiting in the national work que for processing.

Next Commissioner meeting will be held on November 20, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.  
Motion made by Commissioner Housley, seconded by Commissioner Stigers.  
Motion carried to adjourn at 5:35 p.m.

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Patricia Hamann, Administrator