## Minutes of Veterans Affairs Commission May 14, 2025

The meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor meeting room. Members present were:

Robin Housley Mike Male Michael Stigers Shelly Howsare Bruce Jeffries - absent

Minutes of the April 9, 2025 meeting were read. Commissioner Stigers made the motion to accept, Commissioner Housley seconded. Approved by all present.

May reports were reviewed. Reports were approved.

Old business: The Administrator gave the Commissioners a draft policy per their request in April's meeting for the issuance of grave markers. There was one error, the Administrator will fix where a word was left out. Discussion was held. Commissioner Howsare made the motion to accept the policy as presented with the correction. Commissioner Stigers seconded. Unanimous vote to pass by those present.

The Administrator asked if the Commission would like her to send a copy out to all of the service organization posts. The Administrator would like to invite any of the posts to get on the Commission's agenda to discuss this or any other concerns. The Commission members felt that would be a good idea.

New business: Spring school was discussed with the Commission. The Administrator will still be the President of the Association. Discussion was held by the e-board to address the issues. The Administrator gave updates about the school and a situation with Hamilton County VSO that is still being taken care of regarding an incident.

The Administrator shared that the budget amendment public hearing will be June 3, 2025. The Administrator presented the changes to the Board of Supervisors that was requested.

The Administrator shared the current standing of the allocation funds for the Commission to view. There are some funds available and the Administrator will look at purchasing the "Quick Books" that we got in the past that has the office information on it and is a quick reference for Veterans Benefits. These are good to hand out at outreach events.

The Administrator shared the regional office report of numbers with the Commission. Discussion was held.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30, motion made by Commissioner Housley, seconded by Commissioner Howsare, approved by all in attendance.

Patricia Hamann, Administrator