Minutes of Veterans Affairs Commission October 15, 2025

The meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. in the 2nd floor meeting room.

Members present were:
Shelly Howsare
Bruce Jeffries
Robin Housley
Mike Male – arrived at 4:35
Absent:
Michael Stigers - absent

Minutes of the September16, 2025 meeting were read. Commissioner Howsare made the motion to accept, Commissioner Housley seconded. Approved by all present.

October reports were reviewed. Reports were approved.

Old business: Discussion was held regarding the outcome of the visit with the Board of Supervisors regarding the allocation check. The money doesn't have to be touched until after the legislative session is over in case more strings are attached to the funds. Discussion was held about having a big appreciation event in May or June next year.

The pork loins have been confirmed and Bruce will be picking up 12 cases of loins on Friday, October 24th. The Administrator will check with Commissioner Stigers on availability of storage at the Durant locker until the 15th. Commission Male stated he will pick up the loins from Durant the morning of the 15th and bring them to the event.

Discussion was then held regarding the event and whether to have it or not due to the shutdown. Consensus was to have the event but to post in the newsletter that due to the shutdown some entities may or may not be able to attend. The Administrator will order more cookies than last year to have for the event.

New business: The Administrator handed out the newest county numbers from 2024. The report we received this year from the federal government was a little different than in past years.

The Administrator will put on November's agenda that part of the meeting is set up for the event on the 15th.

Commissioner Jeffries shared a quilt fundraiser that part of the proceeds will go to local Veteran organizations. The administrator will include this information in the newsletter about the event.

The Administrator shared with the Commission new county policy updates. The Commission would like to see the handbook so that they can look at it again to see if they would like to adopt any other policies. The Administrator will send out the county policy prior to November 12th meeting and add that to the agenda for November.

The regular meeting was motioned for adjournment at 5:05 p.m. by Commissioner Howsare, seconded by Commissioner Housley, approved by all in attendance.

Patricia Hamann, Administrator