

Clark County Veterans Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
An advisory board to the Clark County Council

January 13, 2022

Meeting held remotely.

Chair: Michael Harding

Vice Chair: Shannon Roberts

Secretary: Bruce Maas

Meeting called to order.

Roll Call: [Bold script indicates presence at meeting]

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American Legion #14

American Legion #44

American Legion #168

American Legion #176

American Veterans #6

DAV Chapter #4

Korean War Assoc. #321

Marine Corps League #826

VFW #4278

VFW #7824

VFW # 12028

Vietnam Vets #512

Members at Large

PRIMARY

Morris Geisler

Bob Nichols

Thomas Phillips

John Lovejoy

Bruce Maas

Earl Edwards

Steve Slegers

Shannon Roberts

Michael Harding

Kelly Jones

Kevin Lawson

Bryan McGillis

Tonya Wark

ALTERNATE

Steve Slegers

Michael Gibson

Vanise Pratt

Tom Cousino

Dixie Hotaling

John Stofiel

Dana Difford

Clark County Representative: Emily Langston

Guests: Judy Russel, Sharon Tyre, (Clark County Veterans Assistance Center); **Janet Snook** (Clark County); **Gene Couture** (Veteran); **Jennifer Frost, Mallory Huerta** (ESD)

Approval of December 9, 2021, Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved with a motion from Steve Slegers, seconded by John Lovejoy.

Committee Reports

Appeals: One appeal is pending applicant providing additional information.

Policies and Procedures: No discussion

November 2021 Contractor Reports & Fund Report

The fund assisted 62 Veteran households. The Veterans Assistance Center received 192 veteran visits. The Free Clinic served 1 veteran. The Fund balance at the end of October was \$950.067.

Veterans Assistance Center (VAC) Update

- State audit has been completed.
- Due to Covid, Center is open 9-1, Monday-Thursday, through the end of February.

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Old Business

- Steve Slegers made a motion to allow veterans who are receiving HUD VASH vouchers in accordance with VA criteria to obtain housing assistance through the VAC. Bruce Maas seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The approval to increase food voucher limits is pending County approval. Food gift cards will not be used.
- 2022 LOIs are due.

New Business

- WDVA legislative agenda link to be sent
- Veteran sleep study link to be sent
- Michael Harding to reach out to commanders to encourage more veterans to attend meetings.
- Previous speakers to be invited to meetings to give updates.
- Policies & Procedures and Bylaws to be reviewed for needed updates.

Open Forum

- County Auditor, Greg Kimsey, spoke to 40et8. Suggest inviting to speak at a meeting.
- Discuss code of conduct for members at February meeting.
- 2021 financial overview will be presented at February meeting.
- Donations for gifts for Samantha Whitley and Kelly Jones may be made to Shannon Roberts.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting February 10, 2022.