



Veteran Affairs

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The Polk County Veteran Affairs Commission held a regular monthly meeting at 1535 hrs on September 20, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vikki Palmer, James Marren
Commissioner Kolleen Dahl present 1537
Assistant County Attorney Mark Taylor Absent
Executive Director Pat Sweeney Present
Assistant Director Michael Mortensen Present

Minutes:

Augusts' minutes approved no objections.

Claims:

Pat discussed the previous months' claims, currently at 19.37%
Moved by Marren, seconded by Dahl to approve the claims of August 2022.
VOTE YEA: Palmer, Marren, Dahl

Exception Report:

Pat discussed forty-two total exceptions for the month of August twenty-three shelter, eight utility, in addition, eleven food assistance vouchers. The exception report is within guideline and ratified.
Moved by Dahl, seconded by Marren to approve the exceptions for August 2022
VOTE YEA: Marren, Palmer, Dahl

Executive Directors' Report:

Pat discussed the September Mobile Food pantry had our largest distribution to date, with 250 families served from eight different counties. Pat delivered Camp Lejeune Contaminated water posters to fifteen senior centers, several American Legion posts, and VFW posts in Polk County.

Incarcerated Veterans Report:

Assistant Director Michael Mortensen continues to work with the Sheriff's office on current statistics. August totals of incarcerated Veterans is 48 with 33 federal claims filed. Michael and CVSO Jeromy Geiken have been working with an incarcerated Veteran to obtain proper mental health treatment. Due to the severity of critical care needed out of state treatment is the best option.

October's meeting scheduled for October 18, 2022 at 1530 hrs.

Adjournment

Vikki Palmer, Chair
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