



Veteran Affairs

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The Polk County Veteran Affairs Commission held a regular monthly meeting at 1531 hrs on August 16, 2022

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

Minutes:

Julys' minutes approved no objections.

Claims:

Pat discussed the previous months' claims. First month into the fiscal year, 100% expended for grave maintenance perpetual care.

Moved by Dahl, seconded by Marren to approve the claims of July 2022.

VOTE YEA: Palmer, Marren, Dahl

Exception Report:

Pat discussed fifty-five total exceptions for the month of July- twenty-four shelter, twenty 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 July 2022

VOTE YEA: Marren, Palmer, Dahl

Executive Directors' Report:

Pat discussed to maintain accurate statistics we will be tracking the amount of referrals from Iowa Department of Veteran Affairs federal claims as well as the new PACT act changes. The first two weeks of August totals seventeen state referrals and twenty-nine claims filed due to the PACT act.

Incarcerated Veterans Report:

Assistant Director Michael Mortensen reported due to the reporting changes within the Sheriff's office the numbers are not accurate and will not be reported for the month of July. Michael continues to work with Jail staff to obtain accurate statistics.

Septembers' meeting scheduled for September 20, 2022 at 1530 hrs.

Adjournment

Vikki Palmer, Chairperson