

MINUTES OF THE VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION

DATE: January 13, 2025

PLACE: Room 115 Courthouse, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT: 1:30 P.M.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 1:448 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beverly Ghiloni, Tom Heiser and Michael Feirer

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

ALSO PRESENT: Rock Larson, Wood CVSO Secretary to the Veterans Service Commission, Benjamin Sheppard Veterans representative

Chairman Tom Heiser called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

1. Public input: None.
2. Election of Commission Chairperson. Michael Feirer nominated Tom Heiser to serve as chairperson of the commission. Nomination was seconded by Beverly Ghiloni. The voice vote was unanimous.
3. The December 12, 2024 minutes were reviewed. Beverly Ghiloni motioned to approve the minutes the motion was seconded by Tom Heiser. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Wisconsin's open meeting law requirements were posted with the County Clerk's Office as required.
5. At 1:33 P.M. Michael Feirer moved and Tom Heiser seconded to enter closed session pursuant to exemption contained in Chapter 19.85(1)(f), to audit grants and loans to needy veterans and address new applications for grants and loans. Motion carried unanimously. Tom Heiser moved and Michael Feirer seconded to exit closed session at 1:40 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Motion to approve loan for veteran rent and bill auto & credit card) assistance for totaling \$2,500 by Beverly Ghiloni seconded by Michael Feirer. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Audit of grants and loans- At the end of the 2024 fiscal year the commission had granted two veterans a total of \$2267.38 for past due rent and automotive repairs.
8. The ending 2024 budget and the county board approved 2025 budget for Veterans relief were reviewed.
9. The next scheduled meeting will be held on June 9, 2025 at 1:30 P.M. in the Courthouse, in Wisconsin Rapids.
10. Beverly Ghiloni moved and Michael Feirer seconded a motion to adjourn at 1:48 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Rock A. Larson, Administrative Secretary, VSC