

## **MEETING – VETERANS’ SERVICE COMMITTEE & COMMISSION MINUTES**

COMMITTEE: VETERANS’ SERVICE COMMITTEE & COMMISSION  
DATE: WEDNESDAY, December 9, 2015  
TIME: 3:00 P.M.  
PLACE: FOREST COUNTY BOARD ROOM #107

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Chaney called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and read the agenda.

### **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Bocek, Papapetru, Cundiff, Spaude, Savard, Chaney, Laabs, and Blank  
Others Present: Robb Koplien, Alyson Wagoner, and Lee Joyner

### **APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Savard to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Laabs, all present voting AYE.  
Motion carried.

### **APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MAY 13, 2015 MEETING**

Motion by Savard to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2015 meeting, seconded by Laabs. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

### **COMMISSION BOARD INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Cundiff and Papapetru introduced themselves.

### **NACVSO ACCREDITATION**

The VSO is accredited and can now submit claims nationally through the NACVSO as well. The VSO is accredited with American Legion, WDVA, VFW, and NACVSO. He has the paperwork out right now for Vietnam Veterans of America and DAV.

### **DONATION UPDATES – NOLDEN & PFIEFFER**

Nolden donated \$700 and the Richard Pfiesser family donated \$575. The VSO has used the donations to purchase gas and food cards for veterans.

### **OFFICE OUTREACH IDEA - WABENO**

The VSO would like to possibly travel to Wabeno certain days of the month to meet with veterans in that area.

### **COMPUTER SOFTWARE CHANGE IDEA**

There is a program (VETRASPEC) where the VSO would be able to submit claims outside of the office. The VSO observed Langlade County’s system. With the current VIMS program the VSO is not able to submit claims outside of the office. Robb will get an estimate for the Committee and Commission of how much this would cost per month.

### **ALL OTHER ISSUES**

The VSO attended the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Veterans Standown in Langlade County. There were different organizations present. The VSO passed out some information he brought back with him.

Kathleen Truex in Iron Mountain would like any young vets that were exposed to burn pits to register and see if they are eligible for compensation.

Some parts of the Veterans Choice program is changing. The VSO handed out some information regarding the changes.

Next meeting will be sometime in March 2016.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, motion by Savard to adjourn, seconded by Laabs. All present voting AYE. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.