### **Meeting - Veteran's Service Committee & Commission Minutes**

Committee: Veteran's Service Committee & Commission

Date: Wednesday September 15<sup>th</sup> 2021

Time: 3:00 P.M.

Place: American Legion Post 94 @ 110 W Madison Crandon WI 54520

#### Call to Order

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

#### **Roll Call**

Members Present: Thornton, Chaney & Berg

Others Present: VSO Robert Koplien

### **Approve Agenda**

Motion by Berg, to approve agenda as presented, seconded by Chaney, all present voting AYE.

Motion carried

#### **Approve Minutes of the Meeting**

Motion by Chaney, to approve minutes of the Tuesday April 6<sup>th</sup> 2021 meeting, seconded by Berg, all present voting AYE.

Motion carried

### **WDVA CVSO Grant Update**

VSO reports that in January 1, 2021 the WDVA Grant of \$8500 was received and deposited. VSO explains the grant is an annual application and assists the office in regards to budget needs.

### Military Order of Purple Heart Update

VSO reports in August the Veterans Administration sent out letters to veterans with POA's (Power of Attorney) associated with MOPH – Military Order of Purple Heart. VSO states that the VA no longer recognizes this organization in regards to claim processing.

## **VA Authorized Travel Pay Procedure**

VSO reports that currently the procedure for travel pay that's VA authorized outside is forms filled out by provider verifying appointment & VA form 10-3542 which needs to be sent to the Iron Mountain VAMC travel window. VSO states that he's seen an increase of veterans sending the Proof of Attendance only and those are returned to the veterans along with a request for the 10-3542.

#### **WI CVSO Conference Update**

VSO reports that he will be attending WI CVSO Conference in Fond Du Lac WI on October  $11^{th}-15^{th}$  .VSO explains that conference attendance needed to maintain accreditation with service organization to process claims.

# **Office Updates**

VSO reports the office is open currently the but courthouse is closed to the public until the end of October. VSO explains that he has been working remotely but established walk-in office hours at the American Legion Post 94 in Crandon on Tuesday & Thursdays 8:00a.m. – 4:30.

#### **Public Comments**

None

# **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Motion by Thornton to adjourn, seconded by Berg, all present voting AYE. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.