

MEETING OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY VETERANS' SERVICE COMMISSION

Held: Monday, March 28, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Ray Zastrow (Chairman), Roger Freund,
Brian Jopek

Executive Secretary: Tammy Walters (CVSO)

Public: Donald Frederickson (veteran)

The following new matters were taken up, to wit:

Ray Zastrow called the meeting to order in Conference Room #1 on the first floor of the Oneida County Courthouse at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was properly posted, the news media was notified and pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, is handicapped accessible.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The agenda was reviewed. Motion made by Brian Jopek, seconded by Roger Freund, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

The minutes from the December 21, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Roger Freund, seconded by Brian Jopek, to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Donald Frederickson introduced himself, read his personal statement (copy attached), then departed the meeting.

The vouchers were reviewed. Motion made by Brian Jopek, seconded by Roger Freund, to approve the vouchers. Motion carried.

Discussion held regarding AB 821. Although it didn't even make it to the floor for a vote, the CVSO informed the commission that the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) continues to work on trying to change the law in order to regionalize County Veterans Service Offices, particularly in 39 northern counties. The County Veterans Service Officers Association of Wisconsin is working fervently with legislators to ensure any legislation that would impede the delivery of benefits to veterans and their families does not pass.

Discussion was held on the WDVA grant. The CVSO is gathering information from various counties in order to put together a report that will show how many counties were denied grant money and the reasons they were denied.

The CVSO would like to have a line item in the Veterans Service Office budget where donations could be put into, and any donations at the end of each year would roll over to the next year and not be put into the county's general fund. One hundred percent of donations will go towards helping Oneida County veterans in need. The Social Services/Veterans Services Committee recommended approval but it must be approved by the Administration Committee.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 20, 2016 in conference room 1 in the courthouse. Motion made by Roger Freund, seconded by Brian Jopek, to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 a.m. Motion carried.

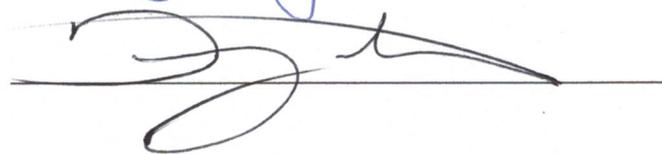
Items for next agenda:

- WDVA grant update
- AB 821 update
- Veterans grant criteria and application

Chairman: _____



Secretary: _____



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This visit with the Oneida County Veterans Service Committee is to bring into focus issues that are the most important to me, as a veteran.

I expect that veterans residing in Oneida County shall be:
Treated in an ethical manner, with integrity and with respect at all times, Oneida County Veteran employees and board shall maintain high personal morals during personal, private and public contact with veterans.

The State Wisconsin has a code of conduct, along with ethic standards for State and county public officials.

Volunteer support staff and others involved with the Oneida County Veterans Service Office shall also treat veterans with integrity , respect, conduct and high moral standards..

Veterans with issues with this board have the option of seeking private legal assistance if needed.

Donald C. Frederickson
Veteran, Wisconsin National Guard &, United States Air Force