

Jasper County Commission of Veteran Affairs

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Minutes

At 1503 Commission Chairperson Marta Ford called the monthly meeting of the Jasper County Commission of Veteran Affairs to order. Commissioners Fred Dimon, Jerry Nelson and Susan Springer were present. Commissioner Jerome Gunderson joined the meeting via telephone. . The others in attendance were Veteran Affairs Director Kurt Jackson, Veterans Affairs Assistant Keith Thorpe and David Dolmage of the "Newton Daily News" ..

The minutes of the 8 November 2017 meeting were reviewed. With no additions or correction Marta Ford made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion passed.

Unfinished Business:

Future Commissioner Selection Process:

On 14 November 2017 the Board of Supervisors tabled Kurt Jackson's proposal of following Iowa Code 35B.4 "Appointment – Vacancies" for replacing commissioners. The commissioners will revisit this issue at a later date.

National Training June 2 – June 8th NACVSO, Reno, Nevada:

A cost estimate of this training for Kurt and Keith will be presented to the commission at the January 10th commission meeting. Commissioner Jerry Nelson is also considering attending this training session.

New Business:

November Budget: The November Budget was presented to the commission.

Directors Activity Report: Kurt Jackson's report was presented to the commissioners.

The Directors Report stirred discussion about "The Wall" coming to Newton next Spring. "The Wall" will be an agenda item for the January commission meeting. Also, a discussion of what identification do we use to verify that the veteran is who they say that they are. The Veteran Affairs office will ask for a photo ID when in doubt of one's identity.

2018 - 2019 FY Budget:

The proposed budget was explained by Kurt Jackson and reviewed by the commissioners. Fred Dimon made a motion to send the proposed 2018-2019 FY Budget to the Jasper County Auditor. Jerry Nelson seconded. All five commissioners voted unanimously to send the budget to the auditor as presented.

Marta Ford wished everyone Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

At 1553 Susan Springer made a motion to adjourn. Fred Dimon seconded. Motion Passed.

Meeting Adjourned.

The next meeting will be January 10, 2018 at 3PM in the Annex Building.

Keith N. Thorpe