

Jasper County Commission of Veteran Affairs

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Minutes

At 1500 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 Director Kurt Jackson, Keith Thorpe, and David Dolmage of the "Newton Daily News".

The minutes of the 10 January 2018 meeting were reviewed. With no additions or correction Marta Ford made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

The Wall that Heals (31 May – 3 June 2018): Vietnam War "A Time to Honor" books will be available for veterans and family members of veterans. No documentation will be required.

Future Commissioner Selection Process: Kurt Jackson reported that he will wait until next year to propose to the Jasper County Board of Supervisors once again the now "tabled" by the Board a proposal to follow Iowa Code 35B.4 "Appointment/ Vacancies".

National Training June 2 – June 8th NACVSO, Reno, Nevada: Kurt Jackson reported that registration for training, travel and hotel commendations have been paid.

New Business:

January Budget: The January Budget was presented to the commissioners.

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

Jasper County Veteran Definition (Who do we assist? 35b Iowa Code):

Fred Dimon moved that to be eligible for financial assistance from Jasper County Veterans Affairs, the applicant must have a minimum aggregate of 90 days federal duty, other than training, basic training and to have been discharged under other than **dishonorable** conditions. Jerome Gunderson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

VSO Spring School April 17 – 19 2018 (Continuing Education): Kurt Jackson and Keith Thorpe will be attending Spring School 2018.

Grant: Kurt Jackson reported that after the expenses of National Training and VSO Spring School, there will be approximately \$2,000.00 grant money remaining to be allocated before 30 June 2018.

Resignation: Jerome Gunderson resigned from the commission at the conclusion of the meeting.

At 1550, Sue Springer moved to adjourn. It was seconded by Fred Dimon. Motion Passed.

The next meeting will be March 14, 2018 at 3PM in the Annex Building.

Keith N. Thorpe