

# ***Livingston County Veterans' Committee***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

August 10, 2017

### **I. Call to order**

Hansel Keene called to order the special meeting of the Livingston County Veteran's Committee at 7:05 pm on August 10, 2017 at Livingston County Veteran Services.

### **II. Roll call**

Hansel Keene conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Jim Wallace, Kevin Nagle, Joe Riker, Bruce Hundley and Adam Smiddy

### **III. Approval of Minutes.**

Jim Wallace made corrections to minutes for title to be changed from Council to Committee as well as correct the name of the Brighton Recreation Area. Hansel Keene motioned to approve minutes for meetings July 13 and 26 of 2017, Kevin Nagle Seconded, 5 yeas, Minutes Approved.

### **IV. Call to Public:**

### **V. Applications for Relief:**

17-055- for \$26,783.24, Concerned party presented their case to the committee. Committee asked for information on the welfare of the Veteran and if his needs were being seen to, which they were. Committee made clear that they were here to consider the application for relief and had no interest in any lawsuit brought against the Concerned Party. Kevin Nagle made a motion to deny application and recommend to seek bankruptcy consultation, Jim Wallace Seconded, 5 yeas, Motion Passes.

Jim Wallace excused himself from the remainder of meeting.

17-058- Committee discussed if a sheriff is needed to be involved in the pickup of items from previous residence, is there currently a criminal record or complaints? Hansel Keene motioned to approve the application given the items are still available to the applicant and allow up to \$1000 to secure trailer for moving, Kevin Nagle Seconded, 4 yeas, Motion passes.

17-059- Committee expressed concern over missing information from the application such as credit card debt missing from "debts", what are the special needs for the child and what are the associated expenses, what is the divorce judgement and child support requirements. Bruce Hundley motioned to table the application for more information, Kevin Nagle seconded, 4yeas, motion passes.

## **VI. Old business**

Adam Smiddy and Kevin Nagle updated the rest of the committee on the status of 17-052 such that the concerned party was recommended legal consult by Kevin Nagle and they did not attend. The concerned party were also reached out to by Adam Smiddy without a return call.

## **VII. New business**

Board went over the new Livingston County Veterans' Affairs Committee: Policy and Procedure Manual. Of note were the addition of requirements for financial education classes for relief applicants who have demonstrated a need for budgeting and financial planning help. The board made changes to section 4.3 to read "A veteran who has demonstrated an inability to independently manage their financial situation, may be required to attend an identified financial education course before receiving assistance." The board also discussed the need for greater accountability of gas cards and food vouchers given in relief. All changes were approved by the board.

The board discussed a request by Odins Outcasts for 238 flags to be donated to honor Michigan service members killed in action since Sept. 11, 2001 at a ceremony at this year's anniversary on the step of the State Capitol. Bruce Hundley motioned to not donate funds for flags, Kevin Nagle seconded, 4yeas, motion passes.

## **VIII. Good of the Order**

Joe Riker brought books filled with Veteran resources and suggested the department purchase them as a resource for the office.

August 5<sup>th</sup> is the Veteran Appreciation Picnic went well and there was a great turnout.

## **IX. Adjournment**

Hansel Keene adjourned the meeting at 10:00 pm Kevin Nagle seconds.

Minutes submitted by: Adam Smiddy