

**GREEN LAKE COUNTY  
VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION  
APRIL 7, 2008**

The following are the open minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Green Lake County Veterans Service Commission held in the Veterans Service Office at the Health and Human Services Center, Green Lake, WI, at 10:30 A.M. on April 7, 2008.

Members present: Victor Shrock, Tony Soda, Orrin Helmer and Gerald Beuthin,  
Secretary.

Absent: Sue Arndt

**Certification of Open Meeting Law:** The requirements of the Open Meeting Law have been met.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M. by Chairman Shrock. After discussion, Soda made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Shrock. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Action on Minutes:** After discussion, Soda made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2007, meeting. Second by Shrock. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Appearances & Correspondence:** None

**Old Business:** Beuthin reported that the WDVA CVSO Office Grant for \$8,500 was received.

**New Business:** Beuthin reported that only 3 schools will be sending students this year. Princeton HS has opted out of the program for this year and will re-evaluate for next year. Tony Soda announced that this will be his last year of running this program for the American Legion. He has informed the American Legion County Council of this and they will determine whether they will continue with the program or not. Laurie has the booklets completed and sent to Fox River Industries to be printed.

Beuthin reported that the Veterans Service Office will again have a booth at the County Fair. Helmer noted that the theme of the Fair will be the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the establishing of Green Lake County and encouraged trying to work something out to incorporate that theme.

Soda reported that funds in the VA that have been allocated for Vietnam Veterans will be reassigned unless there is a greater demand for their usage. Encouraged talking to the Federal lawmakers to prevent this from happening.

**Service Office Report:** Beuthin reported that contacts were up 1%, mail was up 1% and VA hospital trips are up 19% as compared to last year's figures.

Beuthin reported that he will be attending the WICVSOA Spring Conference in Fond du Lac the week of April 28<sup>th</sup>. Training will concentrate on both State and Federal programs.

Beuthin reported that he will be presenting a change to the Transportation Policy to the H & HS Board for their approval. This has already been approved by the H & HS Transportation Committee. If approved, the new rates for transportation to the VA Medical facilities will be effective on May 1, 2008. This change was made to match the increase in mileage allowance paid by the VA.

Beuthin reported that the Wisconsin Veterans Service Commission meeting will be on Friday, September 12.

Beuthin reported that there were 11 veteran's deaths in the County since the last meeting.

**Financial Report:** After discussion, Soda made a motion to approve the Financial Report as submitted. Second by Shrock. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Future Meeting Date:** The date for the next meeting was set for Monday, June 23, 2008, at 10:30 A.M.

**Closed Session:** None required.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 11:30 P.M. on a motion by Soda. Second by Shrock. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Gerald R. Beuthin  
Secretary, Veterans Service Commission