

**GREEN LAKE COUNTY
VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION
JUNE 23, 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 8:30 A.M. on June 23, 2008.

Members present: Victor Shrock, Sue Arndt, and Gerald Beuthin, Secretary.
Absent: Tony Soda, excused.

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 8:30 A.M. by Chairman Shrock. After discussion, Arndt made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Shrock. All ayes. Motion carried.

Action on Minutes: After discussion, Arndt made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2008, meeting. Second by Shrock. All ayes. Motion carried.

Appearances & Correspondence: Beuthin forwarded on the information the WDVA home loan interest rate was reduced to 5.75%.

Old Business: Beuthin reported that Student Government Day went well and there were positive comments from the County officials and the participating teachers. It was pointed out that there is some concern about the program continuing as Princeton High School did not participate this year and Tony Soda will no longer be heading up the program for the American Legion.

New Business: Beuthin reported that the guidelines issued by the County require that the budgets be looked at with a total effect of not exceeding the State limit of a two percent increase in the tax levy. Beuthin presented his report that is due to the Finance Committee by July 17. It was noted that it will be tough to maintain the limit without reducing services.

Beuthin reported that the Veterans Service Office will again have a booth at the County Fair. The booth will be manned by the Veterans Service Office staff and may have some information and assistance from some other departments from Health and Human Services.

Service Office Report: Beuthin reported that contacts were up 10.2%, mail was down 12% and VA hospital trips are up 15.5% as compared to last year's figures.

Beuthin reported that he will be attending the WICVSOA Fall Conference in Waupaca the week of September 22nd. Training will concentrate on both State and Federal programs.

Beuthin reported that changes to the Transportation Policy were approved by the H & HS Board and were implemented effective on May 1, 2008. This change was made to match the increase in mileage allowance paid by the VA and will increase the revenue to the Transportation budget.

Beuthin reported that there were 9 veteran's deaths in the County since the last meeting.

Financial Report: After discussion, Arndt 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 Wednesday, October 1, 2008, at 10:30 A.M.

Closed Session: None required.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:25 A.M. on a motion by Arndt. Second by Shrock. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Gerald R. Beuthin
Secretary, Veterans Service Commission