MASON COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

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HAVANA, ILLINOIS 62644

AGENDA

Quarterly Meeting

March 7, 2024, at 6:30pm

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge Of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Approval of Minutes
- 5. Reports
 - A. Chairman Steve Pilger
 - B. Vice Chairman Josh Harbourn
 - C. Finance and Activity Report Ricky Yocum
 - D. Superintendent Report Ricky Yocum
- 6. Public Comments open
- 7. Old Business
 - a. None
- 8. New Business
 - a. Shark people and places scamming Vets to do claims for them
 - b. VAC members and Post
 - c. Budget
 - 9. Comments and Announcements
 - 10. Adjourn

The December 7, 2023 meeting of the Veterans Assistance Commission was called to order at 6:30 PM at the VFW Post 6408 Havana, IL. The Pledge of Allegiance was observed. Roll call was held.

Minutes of the September 7, 2023 meeting were read. Motion to accept was made by Charlie Wells. Seconded by Josh Harbourn. Motion carried.

Financial and Activity reports and year end totals were reviewed. The Superintendent reported Mason County veterans received \$52180.83 in new compensation and pensions, with 23 new forms being completed. Fulton County veterans received \$10378.44 in new compensation and pensions, 9 new forms were completed. Tazwell County veterans received \$239.34 in new compensation and pensions, with 1 new form being completed. A Washington state veteran received \$7083.90, with 2 new forms being completed. Cass County veterans received \$10616,57 in new compensation and pensions. 1 new form was completed, 1 new form was completed for a Sangamon County veteran. End of Year 2023 total compensation and pensions amounted to \$338,541.39, with 169 new forms being completed. Motion to accept the reports was made by Josh Harbourn. Seconded by Lee Hottell. Motion carried.

Old Business

None

New Business

The annual report of the Veterans Assistance Commission was submitted to Gov Pritzker December 4, 2023 as required by Illinois Statutes. VSO training will be January 11-12, 2024. CYBER security awareness training was held at the county level. VSO has 44 open cases. Updated bylaws reflecting current legal requirements were presented. Motion to accept the modified bylaws was made by Dick Whitney. Seconded by Josh Harborn. Motion carried. As no further business was brought forward, a motion to adjourn was made by Lee Cottell,. Seconded by Josh Harborn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM,

Respectfully Submitted
Richard Whitney