



MASON COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

125 N PLUM ST

HAVANA, ILLINOIS 62644

AGENDA

Quarterly Meeting

September 5, 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. New Office
 - b. Work Hours
 - c. Pay (VAC)
8. New Business
 - a. Members (OMA) Open Meeting Act
 - b. Funerals
 - c. Stones and Markers
 - d. Travel pay for vet's

9. Comments and Announcements

10. Adjourn

June 6, 2024

The June 6, 2024 meeting of the Mason County Veterans Assistance Commission was called to order at VFW Post 6408 Havana, IL at 6:30PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was observed. Roll Call was held.

Minutes of March 7, 2024 were read. Motion to accept was made by Lee Hottell and seconded by Charlie Lane. Motion carried.

Quarterly financial and activity reports were presented and reviewed. Transportation expenses were \$1099.00 and Office expenses were \$480.00. Veterans Assistance activity included:

Mason County new compensation and pension received \$32,881.84. Total number of clients assisted was 42. Fulton County new compensation and pensions received \$66,026.63. Total number of clients assisted was 16. Washington state new compensation and pensioned received \$5,890.02.

Old Business: None

New Business: A homeless widow inquired about obtaining payment for motel expenses. No resources are available for this type of expense. Office facilities are inadequate due to ADA regulations. Different office facilities are mandatory. Discussion on possible locations and alternatives followed. A motion was made to submit a budget to the Mason County Board with the addendum that the budget will be modified to reflect additional expenses required to obtain suitable office space. In addition, the superintendent's client workload has increased to the point that this position is now full time. An increase in salary is needed. Accounting services will be required to audit VAC finances. These additional expenses must be addressed. Motion was made by Charlie Lane and seconded by Lee Hottell. Motioned carried.

As no further business was brought before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Lee Hottell and seconded by Dick Whitney. Meeting adjourned at 7:40PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Whitney