

Meeting of Dec 14, 2005

Taylor County Veterans Service Commission

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairman Warren Behling. The meeting took place in the West entrance, 1st floor of the courthouse. Present were the other commissioners, Barry Anderson and Alton Seeger.

The minutes of the last two meetings 8/25/2005 & 10/31/2005 were sent out with the meeting announcement. Mr. Seeger moved to approve and accept the minutes of both meetings as published. The motion was 2nded by Mr. Anderson. Motion Carried.

The year to date activity of the Commission was reviewed. We did not receive the anticipated number of applications for assistance that was expected for 2005. However with the cost of fuel, and heating fuels, we do expect more applications after the New Year begins. The Commission will finish the year in the black, though the exact figure remaining in the budget is not known at this time. The full and complete budget appropriation for 2006 will be \$5,000.00.

The inventory of flags and flag holders was reviewed. On 11/22/05 Mr. Russ Decker, CEO of Disabled Vets Enterprises from Barron, WI called the CVSO. This company supplies our flags and holders. Effective on Dec. 1, 2005, the price of the aluminum flag holders from Temple Foundry would be increasing from \$6.05 each to \$7.08 each He could offer us 100 pcs. lots at the \$6.05/ea price. The CVSO then order 100, which has been received and paid for at a cost of the holders and shipping of \$643.95. We now have an inventory of approx. 225 holders. The Flag inventory is sufficient to meet the needs of Memorial Day 2006.

The annual review of the guidelines for commission assistance was reviewed and it was decided that no changes should be made. A motion was made by Mr. Seeger, 2nded by Mr. Anderson that the Guidelines will remains as currently written for 2006. Motion Carried.

The draft of a more complete application was reviewed. This draft requested information that would give the Commissioners a better picture of applicant income and expenditures than the current form. Mr. Anderson moved to accept and adopt the new form of the Application for Assistance, 2nded by Mr. Seeger. Motion Carried.

There will be no WDVA Transportation Grant allocation for Taylor County in 2006. This program is being redesigned. Depending upon the end product of the new program, perhaps we can qualify again next year.

County Board Chairman Jim Metz has re-appointed Warren Behling to a new three year term on the Commission. He will serve from 1/1/2006 until 12/31/2008

Mr. Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 A.M. 2nded by Mr. Seeger. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

David W. Thomas, Sec.
Veteran's Service Commission

August 25, 2005

Taylor County Veterans Service Commission

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 A. M. by Chairman Warren Behling. Also present were Commissioners Barry Anderson, and Alton Seeger. Jim Seidl, Veterans service Committee Chairman was also present. The meeting took place in the West entrance, 1st floor of the courthouse.

The minutes of the last meeting had been sent out with the meeting notice. Mr. Anderson moved to accept the minutes as published. The motion was 2nded by Mr. Seeger. Motion Carried.

The year-to-date activity of the Commission was reviewed. To date \$1,688.85 had been given out for assistance to veterans & veterans' families. Other expenses for the Commission totaled \$4,405.34, leaving a 2005 budget balance of \$3,522.65.

Consideration and discussion regarding the 2006 Budget needs for the Commission followed. After discussion of several issues regarding budgetary needs, Mr. Anderson moved to request for 2006 a sum sufficient to restore the Commission's budget to \$5,000.00 for 2006. Mr. Seeger 2nded the motion. Motion Carried.

The annual meeting of the State Association of County Veterans Service Commission will take place at the Wisconsin Veterans' Home at King, WI on Saturday Sept. 10, 2005. Registration for the attendees is \$10.00 per person, and annual dues remain at \$20.00 per county. Chairman Behling and Sec. Thomas will be the only ones attending this year. Mr. Anderson moved to authorize the necessary registration amount. Mr. Seeger 2nded the motion. Motion Carried. Mr. Anderson also moved to authorize the payment of \$20.00 for the 2006 annual dues, 2nded by Mr. Seeger. Motion Carried.

Mr. Anderson suggested that the Commission application for assistance be refined to be able to show what applicants are actually paying on bills and obligations, not just to reflect the balance owing. This will be looked at and a draft brought to the next meeting for the Commissioner's consideration.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Mr. Anderson moved to adjourn, 2nded by Mr. Seeger. Motion Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted, David W. Thomas, Sec., Veterans Service Commission.

February 7, 2005

Taylor County Veterans Service Commission

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairman Warren Behling. Also present were Commissioners Barry Anderson and Alton Seeger. There was no one absent. The meeting took place in the West entrance, 1st floor of the courthouse.

Mr. Seeger moved to go into closed session for the purpose of considering two requests for Commission assistance. The motion was 2nded by Mr. Anderson, All voting aye, the motion carried.

Mr. Anderson moved to reconvene into open session, 2nded by Mr. Seeger, all voting Aye, Motion Carried.

Mr. Seeger moved to approve the assistance applied for by both applications. Mr. Anderson seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Chairman Behling mentioned that he could not attend a meeting on March 7th if one was necessary, and if a March meeting was necessary to schedule the meeting for March 14th instead.

Mr. Anderson moved to adjourn, 2nded by Mr. Seeger. Motion Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted by David W. Thomas, Secretary, Veteran's Service Commission, Taylor County.

January 10, 2005

Taylor County Veterans Service Commission

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Warren Behling at 8:30 AM. Also present were Commissioners Alton Seeger and Barry Anderson. The meeting took place in the West entrance on the 1st floor of the courthouse. There was no one absent.

The minutes of the meetings of Sept 7 and Oct 4 were approved by a motion from Mr. Seeger, 2nded by Mr. Anderson. These were meetings called for the sole purpose of considering applications for assistance, and no other action was taken. The minutes of the August 19, 2004, meeting were sent out with the meetings notice, and Mr. Seeger moved to approve minutes as published, 2nded by Mr. Anderson.

The inventory of flags and flag holders needed for Memorial Day 2005 was reviewed. After discussion, Mr. Behling moved to purchase 30 Gross of 12" x 18" flags at the best price available. The motion was 2nded by Mr. Anderson and Carried. Mr. Anderson moved to purchase 150 Aluminum Flag holders at the best price available, 2nded by Mr. Seeger. Motion Carried.

The Commissioners then conducted their annual review of Assistance Guidelines to determine if there needed to be any changes or updates. After review and discussion, Mr. Anderson moved 2nded by Mr. Seeger to maintain the guidelines as they are for 2005. Motion Carried.

Mr. Anderson's term on the Commission expired 12/31/2004. He had consented to re-appointment if that be the wish of the County Board Chairman, Mr. Jim Metz. Mr. Metz did re-appoint Mr. Anderson for another three year term on the Commission from 1/1/2005 to 12/31/2007.

Mr. Anderson moved to go into closed session for the purpose of considering an application for assistance. Mr. Seeger 2nded the motion, Mr. Behling voted aye making it unanimous.

Mr. Seeger moved to reconvene into open session, 2nded by Mr. Anderson. Mr. Behling voted Aye making it unanimous. Mr. Anderson moved to approve the requested assistance. Mr. Seeger seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

For information purposes, notice was received from the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs stating that Taylor County would not receive any transportation grant money for 2005, due to an overpayment of the 2003 grant amount, which was not fully satisfied in 2004.

Mr. Anderson moved to adjourn, 2nded by Mr. Seeger. Motion Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, David W. Thomas, Secretary