

Cuming County Veterans Service Office

CUMING COUNTY COURTHOUSE
200 S. LINCOLN ST, RM 54
WEST POINT, NE 68788

VETERANS BOARD MEETING OCT 25, 2021

MINUTES

A meeting of the Veterans Board of Cuming County, in the State of Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 7:30 a.m. on October 25, 2021, at West Point, Nebraska with Gatzemeyer, Feyerherm, Storm, Kindschuh, Schwer and Brahmer present.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication on the County website and postings on bulletin boards and media screens at the Cuming County Courthouse, two of the County's designated methods for giving notice. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice.

The VSO publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the "Nebraska Open Meetings Act" was posted in the meeting room and on the County's website. A pamphlet form of the act is available upon request. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

FINANCIAL REPORT

1. EXPENSES

Gatzemeyer reported the following expenses for August 2021: Cell Phone \$52.52, Lodging \$237.00, Mileage Allowance \$35.84, Mileage Allowance \$35.84, Mileage Allowance \$21.28, Fuel \$181.97, Vehicle Grease & Oil \$34.48, Equipment Rental (Copier) \$31.80, for a total of \$630.78.

2. CUMING COUNTY VETERANS AID

Gatzemeyer reported that one (1) application was submitted this month. Balance of the checking account is currently \$1,500. Copies of bank statements and a ledger were presented to verify account activity.

4. NEBRASKA VETERANS AID

Gatzemeyer reported that no applications were submitted for Nebraska Veterans Aid this month.

OLD BUSINESS

1. MINUTES

Minutes of the last board meeting held on September 27, 2021, were presented. Schwer made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Kindschuh. Vote resulted as follows: Feyerherm, Kindschuh, Storm, Brahmer, Schwer yeas; nays none; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. HONOR ROLL

Gatzemeyer presented the updated Honor Roll.

2. CALENDAR

Gatzemeyer reported that he attended Bancroft American Legion, Beemer American Legion and Wisner VFW/American Legion meetings in October. He did not attend West Point American Legion / VFW, Sons of American Legion or Legion Riders meetings this month.

Gatzemeyer reported he plans to attend the NACO Conference in Kearney December 8-10.

Gatzemeyer will be on vacation November 13-21.

3. MEDICARE ENROLLMENT

Gatzemeyer informed the Board that he has connections with a consultant who helps veterans with Medicare enrollment. Medicare enrollment period is from 15 Oct – 07 Dec.

4. RETIRED VETERANS AND FREE SUPPLEMENT

Gatzemeyer reported that Medicare has started a new supplement program for retired Veterans on Tricare called Medicare Advantage Patriot. This is free if Veterans are already enrolled in Medicare Plan A.

5. VA CAREGIVER SUPPORT TRAINING

Gatzemeyer reported that the VA now provides training for caregivers of Veterans, including families or friends. The caregivers can receive compensation if Veteran is over 70% disabled.

6. NEBRASKA VETERANS HOME

Gatzemeyer gave an update on Veteran Homes' current capacity, census, open beds, and waiting list.

7. VETERANS OUTREACH DEPARTMENT (MESOTHELIOMA)

Gatzemeyer reported that Veterans Outreach Department is a private organization funded by the government to provide research and investigation for Veterans on VA claims.

8. DECEMBER MEETING

Board discussed cancelling the December Board meeting. The discussion was tabled until the November meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next Veterans Board meeting will be held on November 29, 2021. The agenda will be kept current in the Veterans Service Office and on the County website (www.cumingcountynv.gov).

ADJOURNMENT

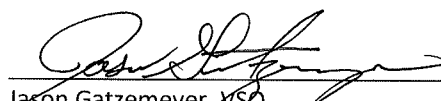
Kindschuh made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Feyerherm. Vote resulted as follows: Brahmer, Feyerherm, Kindschuh, Storm yeas; nays none; Schwer absent; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 a.m.



Lisa Hunke, Recorder

10-28-21

Date



Jason Gatzemeyer, VSO

10/28/2021

Date