

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE COMMISSION MINUTES

Tuesday, May 15, 2017 – 6:00p.m.

Brookens Administration Center 1776 Washington Street Urbana, Illinois 61802

Board Members Present: John Maggio, Larry Soliday, Brad Gould, Jim Ellis, Gary Massey Sandy Hubert

Board Members Absent: Ron DuFrane, Jim Forman

Members Present: Ray Elliott

County Board Members Present: Jon Rector

Call to Order

Maggio called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

President, John Maggio, Vice President Larry Soliday, Delegate @ Large, Jim Ellis, Delegate @ Large, Gary Massey, Superintendent, Brad Gould and Sandy Hubert, Secretary, were present. Treasurer, Ron DuFrane, Delegate @ Large, Jim Forman were absent

Approval of minutes

MOTION by Massey to approve the February 21, 2017 meeting minutes; seconded by Soliday. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Hubert to approve the agenda; seconded by Soliday. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent's Report was read and distributed. **MOTION** by Soliday to approve the report; seconded by Massey. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

Superintendent Gould discussed the budget was 1% over, but donations will help fix this small problem.

Superintendent Gould attended his regular training with the VA and attended the annual certification IACVAC training.

Superintendent Gould discussed homeless vets in Champaign County.

Public Participation

Nicole Massey, Law Clerk, Land of Lincoln spoke to the board on what they offer free to veterans. Record expungements, legal advice, and claims advice is some of the offerings.

New Business

Superintendent Gould discussed the joint effort by the VAC, VFW, VA and Eastern Illinois Foodbank to provide a Pop-Up Food Pantry to veterans for five months. The food pantry will run from June thru October on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

Other Business

Good of the Commission

President Maggio discussed possible donation for local establishments. One Savoy establishment donated \$62.00

Superintendent Gould discussed a motorcycle run by Helping Heroes. The VAC will be this year's recipient He knows that VFW Post 630 has already donated \$1000.00 to this cause.

Next meeting will then be August 15, 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Hubert Secretary

Approved 8/15/2017