

March 16, 2021

The regular meeting of the Otsego County Veterans Affairs was held in room 212 of the County Building. Chairman, Charles L. Berlin called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and followed MDHHS orders of Public Act 254 of 2020.

PRESENT: Members – Claude Huff, Henry Mason, Charles L. Berlin

EXCUSED: Paul Cafuk, Steven Rollins

OTHERS: Marlene Hopp

Charles L. Berlin welcomed members and introductions were performed.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Charles L. Berlin.

Additions/Deletions to agenda:

MOTION: by Henry Mason, approve the Veteran Affairs regular minutes of January 19, 2021, as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous Nays: None Motion Carried

Veteran Service Officer (VSO) Reports:

Veterans Clerk assisted with organization funding for 42 Otsego County Veterans to receive food cards and household products.

VSO's will be scheduling to meet with Veterans at Patriot Place, as their office building is currently open.

Counselor was on local broadcast radio station on March 8 with the Eagle 101.5 for Military Monday at 7:50 a.m. to announce Veterans benefits.

VSO's attended March 3 Veterans coffee hour at the Gaylord Bowling Center. Beginning April 7, the Gaylord Regional Airport will be hosting the Veterans coffee hour again.

Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency (MVAA) County Veteran Service Fund (CVSF) grant status:

VSO will be reported second quarter report ending 03/31/2021.

This month, staff will be in training for continuation of accreditation.

New Agent Orange presumptive of bladder cancer, hypothyroidism and parkinsonism has been added to Veterans Affairs federal register.

Financial Reports:

Month end Veterans Affairs, burial, and soldier's relief financial reports were reviewed.

MOTION: by Claude Huff, approve month end financial reports ending February 28, 2021, as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous Nays: None Motion Carried

Chairman, Charles L. Berlin opened up the meeting for public comment.

Public comment: None

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Minutes written by, Marlene K. Hopp, Veterans Counselor

Chairman, Charles L. Berlin
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