



Carroll County Veterans Assistance Commission

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Mount Carroll, Illinois 61053

Carroll County Veterans Assistance Commission Quarterly Meeting Wednesday, March 31, 2021 Senior Citizens Center Mtg Room

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m. by Lee Gibbs

Invocation: Led by Ellis Boughton

Pledge of Allegiance: Done by all in attendance

Roll Call: Wayne Leonard, Doug Bergren, Lee Gibbs, Steve Behrens, Ernie Johnson, Ellis Boughton, Joe Drozd, Terry Lattin, Paul Mayer, Lamoille Poffenberger, Jerry Yoekel (guest, alternate)

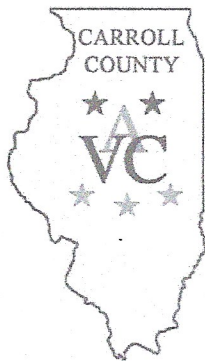
Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Motioned by Paul Mayer, seconded by Terry Lattin, passed

Agenda Approval: Motioned by Joe Drozd, seconded by Paul Mayer, passed.

Treasurer's Report: Amended report for Illinois withholding to lesser figures. Moved to accept amended Treasurer's Report by Joe Drozd, seconded by Paul Mayer, passed.

Old Business:

- **Discussion and possible vote for purchase of external hard drives and a fireproof safe.**
Motioned to purchase made by Ellis, seconded by Joe Drozd, passed.
- **Vote on most recent proposed lease w/ Senior Center:**
The CCSSO and VAC can't reach an agreement regarding a lease. It was voted



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on for the VAC to sign our last proposal to the CCSSO and send it to the Chairman of the CCSSO in the hopes that they will accept it. Ellis moved to vote, seconded by Paul Mayer, passed. Wayne will contact our attorney to change the designation from Carroll County Senior Center to Carroll County Community Center.

New Business:

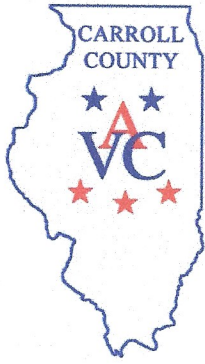
- Vote on purchase of new computer for Doug: Moved to purchase by Ellis, seconded by Joe Drozd, passed.
- Bus to Iowa City: If Carroll County Transit accepts the bus responsibilities to Iowa City, should a new schedule be made for Iowa City and Madison? The Carroll County Transit will already take vets to Iowa City if they are on Medicaid.
- Bus to Freeport: And Rockford. CCTA can take vets to both.
- Insurance for office: Senior Center pays for liability, VAC can pay for office. Need a fireproof safe?
- Ellis and Wayne to be bonded: For \$2,000? Wayne will follow up. For Wayne and Ellis to be bonded, motioned by Paul Mayer, seconded by Joe Drozd, passed.
- Raffle to establish a fund to assist veterans currently not covered in our by-laws: It was thought that a raffle for food would be better than a gun. The idea is tabled until the next meeting so Lee can do some research.

Superintendent's Report:

Monthly Report: Included in meeting packet.

Quarterly Report: The last quarterly report for 2020 is included in the meeting packet. It seems the first quarterly report for 2021 was not included. It will be emailed to all Board Members.

Annual Report: Included in meeting packet.



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Transportation Report: Total costs are on the Annual Report.

Superintendent's Comments: The VA is giving COVID shots to spouses and care givers. The VA has expanded the "presumptive" maladies caused by Agent Orange. The VAC should sound-proof the door for added security, and the VAC will attempt to sound-proof the door with the funds we have available.

Report from the Board President: Lee gave out the phone number for COVID shots.

Discussion: The volunteer in the VAC office has been there for a number of years, can the VAC do something for her? It may depend on a raffle.

Public Comments: None

Executive Session: None

Adjournment: Joe Drozd motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ellis, passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Bergren, Admin. Assistant/VSO