



MARATHON COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

Date & Time of Meeting: **Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 3:30 pm**
Meeting Location: **212 River Drive, Suite 1, Wausau, WI 54403**

Commission Members: Jill Geoffroy, Tony Stange, Lyn Arnhart, Dan Southworth

Marathon County Mission Statement: *Marathon County Government serves people by leading, coordinating, and providing county, regional, and statewide initiatives. It directly or in cooperation with other public and private partners provides services and creates opportunities that make Marathon County and the surrounding area a preferred place to live, work, visit, and do business. (Last updated: 12-20-05)*

Committee Mission Statement: *To provide one-time emergency assistance under exceptional circumstances to Veterans and family members of deceased Veterans who reside in Marathon County. Referrals to other community resources specific to the applicant's unique circumstance are also provided to needy Veterans for additional or future assistance with the goal of financial stability and self-sufficiency.*

1. **Call Meeting to Order** by Arnhart and seconded by Southworth.
2. **Open session/public comment**
 - A. Record who is in attendance and notetaker - Geoffroy
3. **Approval of the Minutes of the October 4, 2023 Veterans Service Commission Meeting** approved by Arnhart and seconded by Stange.
4. **Policy Issues Discussion:**
 - A. None at this time.
5. **Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance or Resolution:**
 - A. Motion to Go into Closed by Arnhart, seconded by Southworth.
 - B. Motion to Return to Open Session (No Roll Call Vote Required) made by Stange and seconded by Arnhart.
 - C. Announcements and possible actions on matters discussed in closed session.
 - D. Status of service commission funds – Geoffroy provided 2023 annual report and 2024 fund balance.
6. **Educational Presentations/Outreach Efforts**
 - A. Homeless Point in Time Count will be January 25th in Wausau. Paige Gregar for Tomah VA will be participating.
 - B. Armed Forces Day – DC Everest events on May 17th and Wausau Airport Fly-In May 18th.
 - C. Veterans Day – November 11th will be at Rothschild Library. Geoffroy has been working to coordinate speaker, programs, etc.
 - D. VSO 2023 Report provided/discussed.
7. **Next Meeting Time, Location, Announcements and Agenda Items:**
 - A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.
 - B. 2024 Quarterly meeting dates are as follows:
 - 1st Quarter meeting – April 10, 2024, 3:30 pm
 - 2nd Quarter meeting – July 10, 2024, 3:30 pm
 - 3rd Quarter meeting – October 9, 2024, 3:30 pm
 - 4th Quarter meeting – January 8, 2025, 3:30 pm
8. **Adjournment** motion made by Stange and seconded by Arnhart.

“Any person planning to attend this meeting who needs some type of special accommodation in order to participate should call the County Clerk’s Office at 715-261-1500 one business day before the meeting.

SIGNED /s/ Jill Geoffroy
Presiding Officer or Designee

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FAXED TO: Other Media Groups
FAXED BY: Jill Geoffroy

NOTICE POSTED AT COURTHOUSE
BY: Jill Geoffroy