

Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services
Veterans' Affairs Committee
January 11, 2017

I. Call to Order by Chair, Michael Quinn at 8:03 AM

II. Roll Call

Members Present: Michael Quinn, Bill Becker, Tom Burton, Bob Hencken

Absent:

Others: Beth Ridge, Lauren King, Thom Canny, Jim Rutherford, John Faul, Commissioner Stephanie Moore

J. Faul introduced Jim Rutherford as the new Director of HCS.

III. Review of previous month's minutes

Motion made to approve amended minutes from November meeting. Passed unanimously.

Motion to amend dismissal time of the December 14 meeting to reflect a time of 12:05.
Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by B. Becker to postpone approval of minutes. Seconded by M. Quinn.
B. Hencken abstains. Motion passes.

IV. Citizen's Time. Chair B. Hencken opened the floor for citizen's time. No comment, issue or discussion was brought forward. Citizen's time was closed.

V. Financial Review

Financial Analyst, Beth Ridge

B. Ridge included a requested report of the SSR gas cards.

This month's report is the preliminary year-end financial report.

Soldiers and Sailors

Michigan Veterans Trust Fund

Discussion ensued about the difference between emergency county relief versus MVTF services. B. Hencken asked for clarification on the administrative finances regarding the MVTF.

Burial Benefits

VI. New Business

Election of Chair and Secretary

T. Burton nominates B. Hencken.



- B. Becker nominates M. Quinn. Quinn declines.
- B. Becker seconds nomination of B. Hencken. Passes unanimously.

- T. Burton nominates B. Becker for Vice Chair. Passes unanimously.

- B. Hencken nominates T. Burton for Secretary. Passes unanimously.

Motion made by B. Hencken to establish regular meeting schedule to be held on the second Wednesday of each month starting at 8:00am located in wing two, first floor, Conference Room B in the Nazareth Complex 3299 Gull Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49048.
Seconded by T. Burton. Motion passed unanimously.

- VII. Veterans Service Office Report
Not present at this meeting. The committee would like the Veterans Service Office coordinator to report the actions of the office to the board as well as any other relevant information. Both sides will work towards maintaining a professional and respectful environment for the monthly meetings.

- VIII. Discussion of MOU
- IX. The members discussed the draft MOU from R. Hencken. A number of changes were agreed to. It was agreed that B. Hencken would revise the document, rename it as the Committee Draft, and send it out to the members so they could review it. It was suggested they send any corrections back to R. Hencken by Friday at which time he would make any changes necessary and that final version would be the Committee's representatives (R. Hencken, B. Becker) basis for negotiation with the County's representatives (Thom Canney and one other).

- X. Commissioner's Time

- XI. Adjournment
Motion was made to adjourn the meeting, motion carried. Chair Hencken adjourned the meeting at 12:27 PM.

