

BAY COUNTY VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, June 15, 2021

Meeting called to Order by Chairman Vaughn Begick at 3:00 PM, followed by roll call.

Present at meeting: Vaughn Begick, County Commissioner; Marilyn Lazarz, Mike Pergande, and Tim Eckstein. Excused Troy Stewart. Also present Amber Davis-Johnson, Corporation Council and Jim Barcia, County Executive.

Minutes: **Motion 2021** made by Tim to approve 5-18-2021 minutes; support by Mike; 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS

Citizens Input: Fred Zippler requested a monetary increase for the drivers and wants an explanation on the transportation budget. Charlie Campbell informed of a 4<sup>th</sup> of July event at the Edison at 2:00 PM to honor all veterans that had passed away from COVID. Gary Drzewicki commented on the Memorial Day flags.

Petitions and Communications: a) Future Flag Request Discussion: Mike ordered 18 gross flags for Memorial Day for the County Veterans Organizations. Mike recommended hiring a person from the County to be in charge of the flags and for the flags to come out of the County General Fund. Mike will no longer be ordering the flags. Vaughn will speak with the Bay County Veterans Council about the flags and the County needs to form a flag committee. b) Driver Increase: The driver increase will be discussed when Craig returns for \$5 per veteran. Mike recommended \$5 per trip. A **2021 Motion** was made by Mike for the Veterans Transportation Schedule Dispatcher to be added to the Bay County Veterans Affairs office part-time staff (Gary). Seconded by Marilyn; 4 YEAS, 0 NAYS. Gary agreed to handle the veterans transportation scheduling. Amber will work on a policy for Veterans Transportation and Marilyn will send Amber a past draft policy on transportation. c) Engraving Ceremony: Mark informed there will not be any relatives at the engraving ceremony. Vaughn will discuss this matter with the church members.

REPORTS/RESOLUTIONS: No reports/resolutions.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussion on the Rules/Regulations for the Emergency Relief Fund for Bay County Veterans. Amber will review.

NEW BUSINESS:

MISCELLANEOUS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Toys for Tots event will be held at the PLAV Post 162 from 1 – 6 pm July 31, 2021. July 03, 2021 at 2:00 pm the American Legion Post 18 will sponsor an event.

RECESS/ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn meeting at 4:00 PM.

