



# BUTLER COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION

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## BUTLER COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING

1. Roll call conducted indicated the following members of the Butler County Veterans Service Commission Board of Commissioners were present for this regular meeting on November 18, 2020:

Commissioner Chuck Weber, Member-at-Large  
Commissioner Dave Smith, VFW Representative  
Commissioner Tom Jeffers, American Legion Representative  
Commissioner Bruce Jones, AMVETS Representative  
Commissioner Dave Reed, DAV Representative

Office Staff Present: Executive Director/CVSO Mike Farmer  
Chief Service Officer Matt Jones

2. The meeting of the Butler County Veterans Service Commission-Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Jones, with all standing for the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. A motion was made by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Reed, and passing unanimously to approve the agenda, for this Butler County Veterans Service Commission Board of Commissioners November 18, 2020 regular meeting.
4. Reading Open Meeting and Right to Speak at Meeting guidelines were completed.
5. **Meeting minutes approval:**
  - a) October 21, 2020 minutes. Motion made by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the minutes. Draft copies of these minutes were sent to Commissioners for review prior to this meeting.

VOTE: To approve regular mtg. min				
TJ	BJ	DR	DS	CW
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
MOTION CARRIES				

6. **Bill payment and operational expenses approvals:**
  - a) Invoices paid October 10, 2020 – November 9, 2020. Motion to approve made by Commissioner Reed, seconded by Commissioner Weber.

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<b>VOTE: To approve listed expenses.</b>				
<b>TJ</b>	<b>BJ</b>	<b>DR</b>	<b>DS</b>	<b>CW</b>
<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>MOTION CARRIES</b>				

**7. Correspondence/Communications shared with Commissioners:**

- a) Partners in Prime
- b) Mrs. Turmire
- c) Mrs. Lynn

**8. Office Outreach and Training Items**

- a) October 2020 Statistical Report was shared for discussion.
- b) Office Outreach Calendar for November and December were shared.

**9. Old Business:**

- a) N/A

**10. New Business:**

- a) N/A

**11. Guests: None**

- 12.** A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Reed to go into closed executive session to discuss Financial Applications adjudicated in October 2020, and 2 appeals for financial assistance.

<b>VOTE: to go into closed session</b>				
<b>TJ</b>	<b>BJ</b>	<b>DR</b>	<b>DS</b>	<b>CW</b>
<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>MOTION CARRIES</b>				

Discussion on Financial Applications adjudicated during October 2019 and 3 financial assistance appeals.

*At this time the BCVSC-BOC exited from Executive Session to vote on all items discussed as needed.*

**13. Veteran case votes on items from Executive Session**

- a) A motion was made by Commissioner Weber, and seconded by Commissioner Smith to accept applications from October 1-31, 2020 as adjudicated by Executive Director. (Exhibit 1)

<b>VOTE: To accept</b>				
<b>TJ</b>	<b>BJ</b>	<b>DR</b>	<b>DS</b>	<b>CW</b>
<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>MOTION CARRIES</b>				

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- b) Appeal for 4<sup>th</sup> month of aid c/o veteran Blevins. A motion was made by Commissioner Weber, and seconded by Commissioner Jeffers to deny appeal for aid.

<b>VOTE: deny appeal</b>				
<b>TJ</b>	<b>BJ</b>	<b>DR</b>	<b>DS</b>	<b>CW</b>
<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>MOTION CARRIES</b>				

- c) Appeal to for 4<sup>th</sup> month of aid c/o veteran Mayer. A motion was made by Commissioner Jeffers, and seconded by Commissioner Weber, to approve a 4<sup>th</sup> month of aid. Approved to pay rent \$1,400 (direct), hygiene \$35, and utilities \$664.44 (direct, to include current amount to bring veteran current) as long as the amount does NOT EXCEED a total amount requested amount of \$2,499.44.

<b>VOTE: approve 4<sup>th</sup> month of aid</b>				
<b>TJ</b>	<b>BJ</b>	<b>DR</b>	<b>DS</b>	<b>CW</b>
<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Y</b>
<b>MOTION CARRIES</b>				

**14. Office Operations:**

- a) Information Systems Update: A detailed status update was given by the Director
- b) Personnel: We are working remotely in two teams in an effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The staff has been assigned teams and given the policy for remote working. Our operations will continue at 100% of services, we are just alternating who is in the office and who is out.

**15. Statements, comments and/or discussion by:**

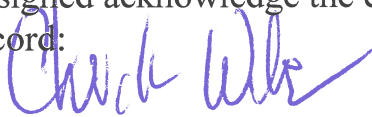
- a) Executive Director: None
- b) Commissioners: Thank you to the Director and thank you to the staff for the continued excellent job

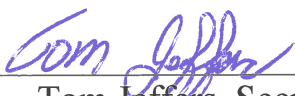
16. The date and time of the next regular meeting is posted as:

Date: **Wednesday, December 9, 2020**  
Time: **09:30 AM.**  
Place: **VSC Hamilton Conference Room/WebEx**

17. A motion was made by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Smith and passing with unanimous votes to adjourn the meeting.

The undersigned acknowledge the correctness of these minutes and submit them as the official record:

  
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Chuck Weber, President

  
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Tom Jeffers, Secretary

Butler County Veterans Service Commission

**BCVSC November 18, 2019 MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED:**

Veteran Name	Dependent	Occupation/relationship	City	Zip	Adjudication	Amount	July Meeting
Bailey Jr., Jettie H.		Disabled	Hamilton	45011	Initial	\$ 468.80	5 for-0 against
Bailey Jr., Robert C.		Disabled	Hamilton	45013	Initial	\$1,127.42	5 for-0 against
Baker, Raymond F.	Roseina	Widow	Hamilton	45013	Initial	\$ 953.90	5 for-0 against
Banks, Jerry		Disabled	Hamilton	45011	Initial	\$1,097.25	5 for-0 against
Brown, Elmer	Leida	Spouse	Hamilton	45011	Initial	\$ 719.63	5 for-0 against
Burns, Dallas L.		Truck Driver	Middletown	45044	Initial	\$1,645.00	5 for-0 against
Butler, James L.	Lula	Widow	Middletown	45044	Initial	\$ 584.18	5 for-0 against
Calihan, Ian M.		Unemployed	Hamilton	45013	Initial	\$2,293.47	5 for-0 against
Crews, John P.	Samantha	Widow	Trenton	45067	Initial	\$ 602.99	5 for-0 against
Eve, Albert K.		Laborer	Trenton	45067	Initial	\$1,436.75	5 for-0 against
Fordyce, David S.		Unemployed	Middletown	45042	Initial	\$1,545.11	5 for-0 against
Garrett, Timothy J.		Retired	Hamilton	45013	Initial	\$ 838.23	5 for-0 against
Gray, Adam B.		Unemployed	West Chester	45069	Initial	\$ 648.53	5 for-0 against
Hannahs, William N.		Disabled	Hamilton	45013	Initial	\$ 926.78	5 for-0 against
Kern, Jimmy R.	Sherry	Widow	Hamilton	45013	Initial	\$1,031.64	5 for-0 against
Lucas, James R.		Retail	Middletown	45042	Initial	\$2,489.98	5 for-0 against
Meibers, Joseph R.		Retired	West Chester	45069	Initial	\$2,461.27	5 for-0 against
Moon, Jeremy M.		Installation Field	Trenton	45067	Initial	\$2,071.77	5 for-0 against

Partin, Danny E.		Disabled	Hamilton	45015	Initial	\$ 810.28	5 for-0 against
Perry, Deandre L.		Amazon	Middletown	45044	Initial	\$ 479.33	5 for-0 against
Riley, Mark S.		Disabled	Middletown	45044	Initial	\$ 870.00	5 for-0 against
Roach, Edward L.		Unemployed	Hamilton	45015	Initial	\$1,592.03	5 for-0 against
Roberts, Jeffrey K.		Disabled	Hamilton	45011	Initial	\$1,171.99	5 for-0 against
Ruiz, Pedro J.		Healthcare	Hamilton	45011	Initial	\$2,056.16	5 for-0 against
Sebastian, Scott E.		Unemployed	Middletown	45042	Initial	\$1,967.70	5 for-0 against
Uli, John E.		Unemployed	Hamilton	45011	Appeal Approved	\$1,227.63	5 for-0 against
Walker, John E.		Student	Fairfield	45014	Initial	\$ 405.00	5 for-0 against
Wilson, Jeffrey, C.		Labor	Middletown	45044	Initial	\$ 495.00	5 for-0 against
Woodard, Carl D.		Disabled	Hamilton	45011	Initial	\$ 535.34	5 for-0 against
Young, Terry L.		Disabled	Hamilton	45011	Initial	\$1,685.03	5 for-0 against
Harris, Morris W.		Disabled	Middletown	45042	INCOM	\$ -	5 for-0 against
Knighten, Frances M.		Disabled	West Chester	45069	INCOM	\$ -	5 for-0 against
Marlow, John E.		Unemployed	Middletown	45044	INCOM	\$ -	5 for-0 against
Blevins, James H.		Truck Driver	Hamilton	45013	DEN	\$ -	5 for-0 against
Mayer, Vickie L.		Unemployed	Hamilton	45011	DEN	\$ -	5 for-0 against