

# *Calhoun County Veterans Affairs Committee Meeting*

## Minutes: December 14, 2016

Veterans Affairs Committee meeting called to order by Veterans Affairs Committee Vice-Chairman, Rob Beam at 2:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

### **Roll-call of committee members:**

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| • Vice-Chairman | George "Rob" Beam | Present |
| • Secretary     | Trena Philo       | Present |

### **Calhoun County Veterans Affairs Office Staff:**

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| • Director                 | Aaron Edlefson      | Present |
| • Service Officer          | Kristina S. Higgins | Present |
| • Service Officer          | M. Luann Cape       | Present |
| • Administrative Assistant | Heidi Case          | Present |

### **Calhoun County Administration:**

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| • County Finance Director, Michele Johnson | Present |
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**Agenda Changes:** None.

**Citizens Time:** None.

### **Correspondence:**

- Director Edlefson mentioned that the office received a thank you letter from Kellogg Community College for the participation in the Veteran's Day ceremony.
- Director Edlefson discussed receiving our annual Christmas card from VetraSpec thanking us for our continued use of their services.

### **Veteran's Relief Fund Applications:**

Applicant 16-144: Request was for help with rent in the amount of \$371.00. Request was approved.

Applicant 16-145: Request was for assistance with rent in the amount of \$595.00. Request was approved.

Applicant 16-147: Request was for help with rent in the amount of \$995.85. Request was denied.

Applicant 16-148: Request was for assistance with Consumers in the amount of \$1135.41. Request was partially approved (\$567.70).

Applicant 16-149: Request was for help with hotel in the amount of \$700.00. Request was approved.

Applicant 16-150: Requests were for assistance with car repairs in the amount of \$766.62 and car registration in the amount of \$202.00. Both requests were denied.

Applicant 16-151: Request was for help with rent in the amount of \$999.25. Request was partially approved (\$799.25).

Applicant 16-152: Requests were for assistance with car repairs in the amount of \$475.74 and storage unit in the amount of \$405.00. Both requests were denied.

Applicant 16-153: Request was for assistance with rent in the amount of \$292.00. Request was denied.

Applicant 16-155: Requests were for help with partial rent in the amount of \$199.51, Consumers in the amount of \$303.15 and cable, phone & internet in the amount of \$385.59. Requests for rent and Consumers were approved; request for cable, phone & internet was partially approved (\$200.00).

Applicant 16-156: Request was for assistance with rent in the amount of \$979.00. Request was approved.

Applicant 16-157: Request was for help with car payment in the amount of \$337.67. Request was approved.

Applicant 16-158: Request was for assistance with medical bills in the amount of \$8067.07. Request was denied.

**Additional Topic:** Director Edlefsen introduced Dr. Carl Gibson, Director of Senior Services.

**Administrative Update:** Director Edlefsen discussed the number of Veterans visiting the CCVA office was up in November.

**Minutes from November 14:** Ms. Philo motioned to accept the minutes as given. Mr. Beam seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion approved.

**Old Business:**

- Finance Director Michele Johnson discussed the update in the 2016 budget and fund balance. Discussion ensued.

**New Business:** None.

**Good of the Committee:**

- Ms. Johnson discussed the County's 2017 Budget was approved at the last Commissioners meeting.
- Mr. Gray mentioned appointments for committee members.
- Ms. Johnson discussed new Treasurer's ideas for the possibilities of rehabbed properties for Veterans.

**Adjournment:** Ms. Philo made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Beam seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned 4:14 pm.

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Rob Beam, Vice-Chairman  
Calhoun County Veterans' Affairs Committee

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Aaron D. Edlefson, Director  
Calhoun County Veterans' Affairs