

# **LIVINGSTON COUNTY VETERANS' COMMITTEE**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Livingston County East Complex, Conference Room B

2300 E. Grand River | Howell, MI | 48843

December 18, 2019

6:00 p.m.

Members Present      Bruce Hundley  
                                 Joe Riker  
                                 James Wallace  
                                 Robert J. Bezotte

Members Absent      Kevin Nagle

Staff Present            Mary Durst

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Joe Riker calls meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

### **2. ROLL CALL**

Roll call by Chairman indicates presence of a quorum.

### **3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to approve agenda as presented.

**Moved By** Robert J. Bezotte

**Seconded By** James Wallace

**Motion Carried (4 to 0)**

### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### **4.1 November 20, 2019 minutes**

Motion to approve minutes as presented.

**Moved By** Robert J. Bezotte

**Seconded By** James Wallace

Yes (4): Bruce Hundley, Joe Riker, James Wallace, and Robert J. Bezotte

Absent (1): Kevin Nagle

**Motion Carried (4 to 0)**

**5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

None.

**6. APPLICATIONS FOR RELIEF**

**6.1 Veteran Claim 78686106**

Motion to approve \$18,047.57 with condition veteran agrees to appeal decision. If decision is awarded by the VA, Livingston County Veterans' Services will be reimbursed the full amount.

**Moved By** Robert J. Bezotte

**Seconded By** Joe Riker

~~Absent (5): Bruce Hundley, Kevin Nagle, Joe Riker, James Wallace, and Robert J. Bezotte~~

Yes (4): Bruce Hundley, Joe Riker, James Wallace, and Robert J. Bezotte

Absent (1): Kevin Nagle

**Motion Carried (4 to 0)**

**6.2 19-87**

Request for \$1,392.36 for car repairs and \$500 for medical.

Motion to approve the total amount of \$1,892.36.

**Moved By** Robert J. Bezotte

**Seconded By** Joe Riker

Yes (4): Bruce Hundley, Joe Riker, James Wallace, and Robert J. Bezotte

Absent (1): Kevin Nagle

**Motion Carried (4 to 0)**

**6.3 19-89**

Motion to approve full amount upon receiving a diagnosis by psychologist for mental condition with recommendation for equine therapy.

**Moved By** Joe Riker  
**Seconded By** Robert J. Bezotte

Yes (4): Bruce Hundley, Joe Riker, James Wallace, and Robert J. Bezotte  
Absent (1): Kevin Nagle

**Motion Carried (4 to 0)**

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **7.1 Marketing**

Motion to approve \$77,050 for LKF Marketing in 2020.

**Moved By** Robert J. Bezotte  
**Seconded By** Joe Riker

Yes (2): Joe Riker, and Robert J. Bezotte  
No (1): Bruce Hundley  
Abstain (1): James Wallace  
Absent (1): Kevin Nagle

~~**Motion Failed (2 to 1)**~~  
**Motion Failed (2 to 2)**

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

### **8.1 2020 meeting schedule**

Motion to approve 2020 meeting schedule with the amendment of moving April's meeting to the 22nd.

**Moved By** Joe Riker  
**Seconded By** Robert J. Bezotte

Yes (4): Bruce Hundley, Joe Riker, James Wallace, and Robert J. Bezotte  
Absent (1): Kevin Nagle

**Motion Carried (4 to 0)**

### **8.2 Monument for Sheriff's station**

Discussion about assisting to pay for Veteran's monument for Sheriff's station. The committee decided against assisting with funding but stated they would help with a fund raiser to raise the funds needed.

### **8.3 Mental Health Relief**

Nothing to report.

**9. REPORTS**

**9.1 Office**

Director provided Committee with office report.

**9.2 Financial**

Director provided Committee with financial report.

**9.3 Third part-time driver position consideration**

Committee apprised of the possible transportation shortage and preliminary transportation stats provided. Director advised Committee that the situation is being monitored and will continue to follow up. An additional part-time driver may be needed in the future if demand for transportation continues to grow.

**10. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Bob Bezotte commented on Director's annual report to Livingston County Board of Commissioners and stated the Commissioners are pleased with the direction the office is moving.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 8:40 P.M.

**Moved By** James Wallace

**Seconded By** Robert J. Bezotte

Yes (4): Bruce Hundley, Joe Riker, James Wallace, and Robert J. Bezotte

Absent (1): Kevin Nagle

**Motion Carried (4 to 0)**

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Mary Durst, Director

Recorder

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Joseph Riker, Chair