

# LIVINGSTON COUNTY VETERAN COMMITTEE AGENDA

October 16, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

Veteran Services Office

1420 Lawson Drive, Howell, MI 48843

**Pages** 

- 1. Call Meeting to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- Roll Call
- 4. Consent Agenda

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- 5. Call to the Public
- 6. Applications for Relief
  - 6.1 10.16.2024\_VAPFY24\_001

WW II, veteran widow requesting assistance to replace the heating and cooling units in her home. Vendors recommend total replacement because the current units are dangerous to operate and present a fire hazard. Quotes provided include permits, unit removal and install range from \$10,880 to \$12,399.

Recommended motion: Motion to approve application 10.16.2024\_VAPFY24\_001 in the amount of \$10,880 from BJ's Heating and Cooling with up to a 10% contingency.

7. Business

#### 8. Director Reports

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In September, LCVS Veteran Assistance Programs (VAP) provided a grand total of \$8,586.10 in relief funds. VAP relief funds were provided for Burial Benefits (\$4,600.00), rent/shelter assistance (\$1,920.00), VINA dental (\$1,135.00) and food assistance (\$931.10).

In September, LCVS Transportation provided 164 rides to medical appointments which is a value of \$2,628.36 or \$16.03 per veteran ride provided.

- 9. Committee Discussion
- 10. Adjournment

# **UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

# LIVINGSTON COUNTY VETERAN COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES



September 18, 2024, 5:30 p.m. Veteran Services Office 1420 Lawson Drive, Howell, MI 48843

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

Members Absent Kevin Nagle

Staff Present Ramon Baca, Elizabeth Young

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

Committee Chair, Joseph Riker called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

#### 3. Roll Call

Roll call by the recording secretary indicated the presence of a quorum.

#### 4. Consent Agenda

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Motion to approve consent agenda.

Moved by R. Bezotte Seconded by J. Wallace

Yes (4): J. Riker, J. Wallace, R. Bezotte, and B. Hundley

Motion Carried (4 to 0)

#### 5. Call to the Public

Diana Stumpf, recent retiree, was present to observe the Committee process.

#### 6. Applications for Relief

None.

#### 7. Business

#### 7.1 FY2025 LCVS Budget Discussion

Level 3 revision for MERS unfunded liability.

Recommended motion: Motion to approve needed MERS one-time payment in the amount of \$324,317 from Fund 295 balance.

Cindy Arbanas, Deputy County Administrator/Financial Officer, presented the annual actuarial valuation for Livingston County Veteran Services as prepared by GRS, Livingston County's

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actuarial. A detailed analysis of MERS plan changes and estimated annual maintenance costs were provided. Currently, LCVS is 63% funded and the unfunded liability will present an annual cost of \$30,144 until paid with an estimated pay-off in 14 years. Committee discussion determined more information is needed and to table the motion until next budget season.

#### 8. Director Reports

Director reviewed and answered Committee questions on provided August financial reports.

In August, LCVS Veteran Assistance Programs (VAP) provided a grand total of \$5,656.20 in relief funds. VAP relief funds were provided for Burial Benefits (\$5,000), child clothing vouchers (\$600), LETS tokens (\$30) and Gleaners/Walmart food assistance (\$26.20). In August, LCVS Transportation provided 184 rides to medical appointments which is a value of \$5,959.04 or \$32.39 per veteran ride provided.

#### 9. Committee Discussion

None.

#### 10. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 6:49 pm.

Moved by J. Wallace Seconded by R. Bezotte

Yes (4): J. Riker, J. Wallace, R. Bezotte, and B. Hundley

Absent (1): K. Nagle

Motion Carried (4 to 0)

Elizabeth J. Young, Recorder

### **Livingston County Veteran Services Summary**

#### APPOINTMENT SUMMARY

Appointment Type	September	YTD
Burial Planning	0	8
Claims (In Person)	81	735
Consult (In Person)	43	346
Death Benefits (In Person)	8	123
Pension Claims (In Person)	4	43
VAP	14	166
VAP Consult (In Person)	2	70
VAP VINA Dental	4	22
Total Appointments	156	1513

Walk In Summary			
Month	Total	Weekly Average	
January	222	56	
February	190	48	
March	195	49	
April	218	55	
May	232	58	
June	223	56	
July	286	72	
August	227	57	
September	256	64	
October			
November			
December			
YTD Total	2049		

#### TRANSPORTATION SUMMARY

Monthly Transportation Summary				
Transportation Summary	September	YTD		
Transportation Rides Provided	164	1784		