



Veteran Assistance Commission of Will County

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**Special Executive Committee Meeting
302 N. Chicago St., Joliet, IL**

6:00PM

EDITED AND REVISED ON 12/07/2022 BY ANNAMARIE DENEEN

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER Jack Picciolo

- a. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** ALL
- b. **OPENING PRAYER** Jim Singler
- c. **ROLL CALL:**

VAC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE					
Attendee Name	Title	Present	Absent	Late	Excused
Jack Picciolo	President	x			
Vacant	Vice President				
Denise Williams	Secretary	x			
Amanda Koch	Sgt-At-Arms	x			
Jim Singler	Chaplain	x			
Tom Mlynek	Member	x			
Janet Blue	Member	x			
Steve Benicke	Member		x		
Vic Martinka	Past Chairman		x		
John Kestle	Past Chairman		x		
John York	Past Chairman		x		
Wayne Horne	Past Chairman	x			

Denise Williams announces we have a quorum

III. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MIN PER PERSON):

Kurt Allen-Edgar County Watch Dogs

William Sutton – Delegate for the Plainfield American Legion Post 13

John Kraft – Edgar County Watch Dogs

IV. **MOTION TO APPROVE RETENTION OF PATRICK W. WALSH**

MOTION: Motion to recommend that the commission retain Patrick W. Walsh as our attorney through our assistant superintendent who is the current de facto interim superintendent.

PRESENTED BY: Koch

FIRST/SECOND: Koch/Horne

RESULTS: Unanimously passed

ROLL CALL: Denise Williams

Point of Order: McGlasson wanting some clarity that he recommendation that the commission retain Patrick W. Walsh is only a recommendation and no action is being taken tonight to hire Patrick W. Walsh. McGlasson then further clarifies that the Executive committee doesn't have the authority with the full commission.

Point of Order DENIED, per Picciolo

Name	Title	Y/N
Jack Picciolo	President	
Vacant	Vice President	
Denise Williams	Secretary	Y
Amanda Koch	Sgt-At-Arms	Y
Jim Singler	Chaplain	Y
Tom Mlynek	Member	Y
Janet Blue	Member	Y
Steve Benicke	Member	Y
Wayne Horne	Past Chairman	Y

Jack Picciolo introduces Steve Benicke

Steve Benicke reads personal statement, and requests it entered into the record.
Denise Williams reads personal statement, and requests it entered into the record.

V. **CLOSED SESSION to discuss the following subjects:**

- a) **PERSONNEL:** The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific VAC employees (5 ILCS 5/120/2(c)(1)).
- b) **PENDING or THREATENED LITIGATION:** A pending legal action against, affecting or on behalf of the VAC, VAC Board, or a similar legal action that is probable or imminent (5 ILCS 5/120/2(c)(11)).

Paul O'Grady announces that there will be no closed session.

VI. **Adjournment of Meeting**

MOTION: Motion to adjourn

PRESENTED BY: Amanda Koch

FIRST/SECOND: Amanda Koch/Steve Benicke

RESULTS: Unanimously passed

ROLL CALL: Denise Williams