



Veterans Assistance Commission of Will County

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June 25th, 2024

Commission Meeting
American Legion Post 18
15052 Archer Ave, Lockport 60441

6:00PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Invocation

ROLL CALL ATTENDEES:

POST	DELEGATE/ALTERNATE	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
AL 5 Harwood Joliet	D: Joseph Kelley A: John Honiotes			
AL 13 Marne Plainfield	D: Rick Todd A: Raj Pillai			
AL 18 John Olson Lockport	D: Mike Meyers A: Frank DiGiovanni			
AL 52 Romeoville	D: Steven Daley A:			
AL 191 Lester Smith Wilmington	D: A: Frank Mlyniec			
AL 241 Buffalo Soldiers Joliet	D: Michael White			
AL 392 Peotone	D: Robert Krueger A: Rick Bolanowski			
AL 935 Manhattan	D: Robert Angone A: Lisa McGlasson			
AL 1080 Joliet	D: Tony Arellano A: George Madden			
AL 1288 Bolingbrook	D: Larry Shaver A: Wayne Macejak			
AL 1977 New Lenox	D: Mark Razny A: Patrick McLeod			
VFW 367 Cantigny Joliet	D: Jim Clausen A: Dennis Havranek			
VFW 725 William Martin Mokena	D: Paul Cravens A: James Hogan			

VFW 5422 Malcolm J Mayo Wilmington	D: Wally Wink A: Scott Durano			
VFW 5788 Lockport	D: Keith Carberry A: Mark Bowman			
VFW 5819 Lemont	D: Kenneth Griffin			
VFW 5917 Bolingbrook	D: John Davin A: Gregory Palmer			
VFW 9545 Harry E Anderson New Lenox	D: Clarke Christiansen A: Donald Ibarra			
VFW 2199 Stone City Joliet	D: Kevin Pomykala A: Larry Smith			

II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND/OR FIRST TIME ATTENDEES

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING

A. Commission Meeting March 26th, 2024 (open)

VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- A. Award Log
- B. Financial Assistance
- C. Veteran Problem-Solving Court
- D. Mental Health Coordinator
- E. Motion to File Superintendent's Report

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. VACWC Policies and Procedures in Accordance with 330 ILCS 45/Military Veterans Assistance Act
 - a. Motion to approve
- B. 1300 Copperfield Building Update

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. New VSO Position
 - a. Motion to approve
- B. Financial Assistance Policy Committee
 - a. Motion to approve
- C. FY25 Budget
 - a. Motion to approve
- D. Amend By-Laws to Change Meeting Date in The Month of June
 - a. Motion to approve
- E. Superintendent Annual Evaluation Committee
 - a. Motion to approve

VIII. EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

- A. Motion to enter closed session:
 - a. 5ILCS 120/2 Sec2(c)1: The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific individuals
 - b. 5ILCS 120/2 Sec2(c)11: Litigation
 - c. 5ILCS 120/2 Sec2(c)21: Approval of closed Minutes, March 26th, 2024
- B. Motion to return to open session.
- C. Motion to approve items discussed during closed session.

X. FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMISSION

- A. Commission President Updates
- B. Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation for Volunteer
- C. Legislative Updates
- D. Farm 2 Veteran
- E. Recurring Outreach
 - a. Every Thursday: Together We Stand Peer Support Group at VACWC Office Joe Martin
 - b. Second Monday: VSO Papineau Outreach Manhattan American Legion 935 Breakfast
 - c. Every Third Friday: VSO Papineau Outreach at Wilmington VFW 5422
 - d. Every Thursday: Rotating VSOs Outreach at Joliet CBOC
 - e. Every First Monday: VSO Georgakopoulos at Blueberry Hill Café Homer Glen
- F. VACWC Calendar: www.veteransassistancewillco.org
- F. VetFest 2024 September 28th
- G. Will County Fair August 21st-25th

XI. MOTION TO ADJOURN

**Next Meeting Will Be Held On
September 24th, 2024**