

Cerro Gordo County Veteran Affairs Commission Meeting Minutes Monday, August 28, 2023, 9:00 am

Commissioner attendance: Jessica Reith, Cecil Foell, Daryl Johnson, and Richard Ochoa. Other representative Paul Beatty - Director, CVSO

Absent: Cindy Davis

1. **Meeting called to order** by Jessica Reith at 9:03 a.m.
2. **Approval of previous months minutes:** Daryl Johnson made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from Meeting on July 31, 2023, second by Richard Ochoa. Motion passed.
3. **Signing of bills:** Bills that were signed included: cremation of veterans, and 3rd and 4th quarter postage. Cecil Foell made a motion to approve the bills/financials; second by Rich Ochoa. Motion passed.
4. **What's New in the Office:** 10,000 Grant has arrived. Home Base Iowa is now in the budget with 7,000 available. The office will hold 4 interviews for the clerk/VSO open position. HR Tom Meyer and VSO Director Paul Beatty will hold interviews in the Cerro Gordo Board room. The Office has been busy, Paul Beatty introduced a new tracker to show the Board the break down of what has been going on in the office. Will continue this tracker in future meetings. The Stand down will take place Sept. 23rd 0800am, Paul Beatty will attend with Franklin County as the 2 VSO's for the day. Paul Beatty brought up VSO fall training school dates are October 10th-13th. Possible not attending this training to help fund new VSO training and certificates. Cecil Foell asked to bring up future opportunities to help or donate to the Mason City School District. Rich Ochoa approved motion to listen to projects brought forward by Mason city schools. Seconded Jessica Reith.
5. **Public Comments** – There were no public comments
6. **Next meeting** scheduled for September 25, 2023 - 9:00 am
7. **Adjourn** – Rich Ochoa made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Daryl Johnson. Motion passed.

Minutes submitted by Paul Beatty