

Cerro Gordo County Veteran Affairs Commission Meeting Minutes Monday, January 27, 2025 9:00 am

Commissioner attendance: Jessica Reith, Cindy Davis, Richard Ochoa and Daryl Johnson. Other representative Paul Beatty Director, CVSO

Absent: Cecil Foell

1. **Meeting called to order** by Jessica Reith at 9:00 a.m.
2. **Approval of the previous month's minutes:** Daryl Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes from November 25th, 2024, as December's meeting did not have a quorum for conducting business. Second by Richard Ochoa. Motion passed.
3. **Signing of bills:** Bills that were signed, TAG calendars, paper cutter; mileage reimbursement, paper shredding, VA Office Apparel, NAVSO Dues, water bill for a veteran. The County supervisors have accepted the 2026 budget. Cindy Davis made a motion to approve the bills, Richard Ochoa seconded the motion. Motion passed.
4. **What's new in the Office:** There is a possibility the VA office will move to the third floor. More information will be shared at the next meeting.

There was an individual who was disputing the flag display at the Mason City Memorial, Paul Beatty informed the group that the flags at the Mason City Memorial are displayed correctly.

Jan-25				Jan-25			
Open Service Connection Claims		26		New this Month Service Connection Claims		8	
Out of County				Out of County			
	Floyd	1	Butler		Floyd	3	Butler
	Franklin				Franklin		
	Hancock				Hancock		
	Kossuth				Kossuth		
	Mitchell				Mitchell		
	Winnebago	1			Winnebago		
	Worth	1			Worth	1	
	Wright				Wright		
Current Open Pensions		2		Current Open Pensions			
Iowa Trust Funds				Iowa Trust Funds			
Appeals		7		Appeals		1	
Congressional				Congressional			
Service Connected claims				Service Connected claims			
Health Care				Health Care		2	
DIC Claims				DIC Claims			
Burial Benefits				Burial Benefits		2	
Work in Progress				Work in Progress			
	S/C waiting on 21-526EZ sign				S/C waiting on 21-526EZ sign		
	Pension waiting on supporting docs				Pension waiting on supporting docs		
	Appeal, waiting on Nexus letter				Appeal, waiting on Nexus letter		

5. **Public Comments** – Darly Johnson made a motion to approve \$100 donation for the Mason City Riverhawk Trap Team. Richard Ochoa seconded the motion. Motion passed.

6. **Next Meeting Date** -Scheduled for February 24, 205 at 9:00 am

7. **Adjourn** – Cindy Davis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Richard Ochoa. Motion passed.

Minutes submitted by Cindy Davis