

## Cerro Gordo County Veteran Affairs Commission Meeting Minutes Tuesday, May 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:** Cindy Davis made a motion to approve the minutes from April 28, 2025, Second by Richard Ochoa. Motion passed.
3. **Signing of bills:** Bills that were signed included milage reimbursement, national association CEU's training, desk, burial/cremation of veteran. Cindy Davis made a motion to approve the bills; Daryl Johnson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
4. **What's new in the Office:**

Franklin County is putting on a fishing tournament for veterans. The tournament is 6/21/2025, check in begins at 6:30 am, tournament runs from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

The VA office will officially move to the third floor on June 9, 2025.

May-25				May-25			
Open Service Connection Claims		28		New this Month Service Connection Claims		9	
Out of County				Out of County			
	Floyd	2	Butler		Floyd		Butler
	Franklin				Franklin	2	
	Hancock				Hancock		
	Kossuth				Kossuth		
	Mitchell				Mitchell		
	Winnebago	1			Winnebago		
	Worth	2			Worth		
	Wright				Wright		
Current Open Pensions		2		Current Open Pensions			
Iowa Trust Funds		1		Iowa Trust Funds		1	
Appeals		9		Appeals		2	
Congressional				Congressional			
Service Connected claims				Service Connected claims			
Health Care				Health Care		4	
DIC Claims		2		DIC Claims			
Burial Benefits		1		Burial Benefits			
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. Updates-announcements from commissioners –**

- The Clear Lake Veterans Ride on Lady of the Lake will take place on July 19, 2025.
- The Vietnam Veterans in Memory program is held annually in Washington DC. An application can be found at [inMemory@vvmf.org](mailto:inMemory@vvmf.org) Daryl Johnson will also get handouts for the office.

**5. Public Comments – None**

**6. Next Meeting Date -Scheduled for June30, 2025 at 9:00 am**

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

Minutes submitted by Cindy Davis