



Veteran Affairs

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The Polk County Veteran Affairs Commission held a regular monthly meeting at 2:00 p.m. on December 12, 2013 at 2309 Euclid Ave, Des Moines, Iowa.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lipovac, Oliver, Scione

Administrator Rebecca Buch teleconference

Assistant Administrator Nick Lemmo Present

County Attorney Dan Flaherty Present

Moved by Scione, Seconded by Oliver to approve the minutes of November 14, 2013 meeting as submitted.

VOTE YEA: Lipovac, Oliver, Scione

Moved by Scione, Seconded by Oliver to approve the claims of November 14, 2013 meeting as submitted.

VOTE YEA: Lipovac, Oliver, Scione

Rebecca gave the administrator's report. The budget hearing will be January 22, 2014. Change made to the budget to increase funds in the training category to assure all representatives continue accreditation training.

Rebecca proposed a change to increase the shelter assistance maximum for both single and family. The current amounts are for a single- \$500.00 and a family- \$650.00 Changes proposed are as follows; single- \$600.00 and family- \$800.00. Justification for this change; housing costs in Polk County have increased significantly since the last guideline adjustment. Commission will vote on proposed changes at the next meeting.

Nick attended the yellow ribbon event on December 7 at Camp Dodge. The Wreaths across America Ceremony will be held at the Iowa Veterans Cemetery on December 14. Veterans Day at the Capital will be January 22, 2014.

January's meeting: will be held on January 9, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

Terry Lipovac, Chairperson