



## Veteran Affairs

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The Polk County Veteran Affairs Commission held a regular monthly meeting at 1400 hrs on July 9, 2015 at 2309 Euclid Ave, Des Moines, Iowa.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tim Krum, Jennifer Oliver, Mike Scione

County Attorney Dan Flaherty Present

Moved by Oliver, Seconded by Krum to approve the minutes of June 11, 2015 meeting as submitted.  
VOTE YEA: Krum, Oliver, Scione

Moved by Krum, Seconded by Oliver to approve the claims of June 11, 2015 meeting as submitted.  
VOTE YEA: Krum, Oliver, Scione

Administrator's Report:

Rebecca attended the Joining Community Forces meeting July 9, 2015. County Veteran Service Officer Michael Mortensen presented information on the assistance a veteran may be eligible for through our office; with the main goal of becoming self sufficient by filing for federal benefits. Rebecca stated Michael does a great job at representing our office.

Rebecca invited the Commission to the annual district meeting on July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Veterans Day at the Iowa State Fair is August 17, 2015, Mike and Connie will be at the county booth and Rebecca will be at the VAMC booth. The Homeless Veterans Stand Down is September 18-20, 2015 at the Iowa State Capitol grounds.

Michael Mortensen reported from June 11, 2015-July 9, 2015 ninety veterans were placed into custody at the Polk County Jail. County Veteran Service Officers have maintained one hundred percent contact, whether it be while they are still in custody or upon release. Nine of the ninety incarcerated reported they were homeless. Seven veterans returned to our office for financial assistance, and five filed for federal benefits.

August's meeting will be held on August 20, 2015 at 1400 hrs.

Adjournment

  
Mike Scione, Chairperson