

Shiawassee County Veterans' Affairs and Services

Griffin Home, (1042 N. Shiawassee St. Corunna)

Regular Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2022

3:00pm

Roll-Call of Committee Members:

• Chairman	Gary Duehring	Present
• Member	Jim Carrothers	Present
• Member	John Pajtas	Present
• Member	Les Schneider	Absent
• Member	Dan Smith	Present
• Member	Mike Nations	Present
• Member	Mark Drayton	Present

Shiawassee County Veterans Affairs and Services Staff:

• Director	Mike Reeve	Present
• VSO	Marc LeConte	Absent
• Administrative Assistant	Patti Davis	Present
• Transportation Coordinator	Mallory Mead	Present

Visitors:

Commissioner Cindy Garber

Call to Order

Chairman Gary Duehring called the meeting to order at 3:03 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda:

Jim Carrothers made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by John Pajtas. Motion carried by all members present.

Last Meeting's Minutes (April 20, 2022.):

Motion was made by Mark Drayton to accept the previous meeting minutes for the regular meeting, seconded by John Pajtas. Motion carried by all members present.

Burial Reports:

There was one (1) burial applications in April/May for a total of \$300.00. A balance of \$16,200.00 is in the burial fund with 19% of the funds having been spent for April/May. Roll call to approve the \$300.00, approved by all members present.

Motion to Approve or Deny Assistance Applications:

PA-214 fund and Peacetime Veterans fund consideration:

There are five (5) Application for Assistance since the meeting on March 16, 2022.

A. Director / Committee Approved Applications – Four (4)

PA-214 Fund

22-04-12 <i>committee briefed.</i>	<i>Food Assistance/Consumers Energy</i>	\$996.99	<i>Director Denied,</i>
22-04-13 <i>motion to approve, seconded by Mark Drayton, motion carried by all members present.</i>	<i>Consumers Energy</i>	\$1,194.62	<i>John Pajtas made the</i>
22-04-14	<i>New Furnace</i>	\$7,834.00	<i>Withdrawn</i>
22-04-15 <i>motion to approve the application, Mark Drayton seconded the motion, motion turned down by all members present.</i>	<i>Propane Fill</i>	\$1,205.06	<i>John Pajtas made the</i>

Director's Update and Board Discussions

- ❖ Director Reeve went over the Monthly Directors report
- Budget
- Burials
- VSO Metrix
- Transportation – several drivers are out due to various reasons, in need of more!
- Training
- Meetings/Agencies

Building grant of \$90,000 was awarded to use towards the new building, currently a \$5,000 retainer has been paid out to Creekwood Architecture to begin the blueprints that have been given to the director.

Director briefed on a Veterans Treatment Court that he is working with the courts on getting started in Shiawassee County. Mike Nations questioned the cost out of the veterans fund for the treatment court.. Director to get back with the committee with costs.

Committee updates

Patti has accepted the position of Veteran Service Officer. The Veteran Services Coordinator position has been posted, as well as the Transportation Coordinator position.

Update on phone call voting; cannot do it, legally according to Bonnie Toskey. All applications will need to be presented at the regular monthly meetings or special meetings called. Local disaster, state of emergency, or active duty are the only exceptions.

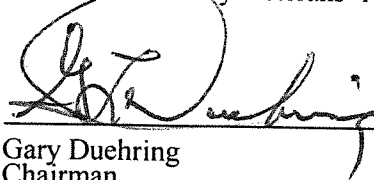
Rewording of new verbiage for absences of committee members. Mike Nations made the motion to accept the new verbiage, seconded by Mark Drayton, motion failed by all members present.

Public Comment:

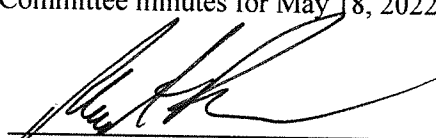
Cindy Garber – 80 year old Veteran reached out to her needing his garden rototilled and she was able to get Rick Crawford to volunteer his time doing it.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 PM.

Shiawassee County Veterans' Affairs and Services Relief Fund Committee minutes for May 18, 2022.



Gary Duehring
Chairman
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Mike Reeve
Director
Shiawassee County
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