

Shiawassee County Veteran Affairs

SGT Clay W Reeves Veteran Center, Conference Room, 1042 N Shiawassee St, Corunna, MI 48867

Regular Meeting Minutes

November 08, 2023

3:00pm

Roll-Call of Committee Members:

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| • Chairman | Gary Duehring | Present |
| • Member | John Pajtas | Present |
| • Member | Chuck Hegg | Present |
| • Member | Dan Smith | Present |
| • Member | Doug Bowman | Present |
| • Member | Mark Drayton | Absent |
| • Member | David Mogg | Present |

Shiawassee County Veterans Affairs and Services Staff:

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| • Director | Mike Reeve | Present |
| • Administrative Assistant | Mallory Mead | Present |
| • VSO | Patti Davis | Present |
| • VSO | Marc Leconte | Absent |
| • Transportation Coordinator | Ben Yonker | Absent |

Visitors:

Commissioner Cindy Garber

Call to Order

Chairman Gary Duehring called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda:

Dave Mogg made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Chuck Hegg. Motion carried by all members present.

Last Meeting’s Minutes (October 18, 2023.):

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

Burial Reports:

There were (6) burial applications in August for a total of \$1,900.00 A balance of \$9,900.00 is in the burial fund with 49.5% of the funds having been spent for September. Dan Smith made the motion to approve, Second by Doug Bowman. Roll call to approve the \$1,900.00, approved by all members present.

Motion to Approve or Deny Assistance Applications:

PA-214 fund and Peacetime Veterans fund consideration:

There are (11) Applications for Assistance since the meeting on October 18, 2023.

A. Director / Committee Approved Applications – (11)

PA-214 Fund

1. 23-10-34 Consumes Shut Off \$ 912.41 / Delinquent Property Taxes \$1,092.02/ Food Voucher \$300.00 Director approved Food voucher only

Dan Smith made the motion to approve the funds of \$912.41 for Consumers, \$300.00 for Food Voucher and Deny Funds \$1,092.02 for Taxes, Seconded by Dave Mogg, Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

2. 23-11-39 Propane \$1,386.75

Dave Mogg made the motion to approve the funds \$1,386.75, Seconded by Chuck Hegg. Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

3. 23-11-38 Food Voucher \$400.00 Director Approved

Dan Smith made the motion to approve the funds \$400.00, Seconded by Dave Mogg. Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

4. 23-10-32 Food Vouchers \$500.00/ Eviction \$2,825.00 (Christmas Miracle) Director Approved Food Vouchers Only

Dan Smith made the motion to approve the funds \$2,825.00 for Eviction, \$500.00 For Food Vouchers, Seconded by Dave Mogg. Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

5. 23-10-31 Delinquent Property Taxes \$6,889.50/ Food Vouchers \$300.00 Director Approved Food Voucher Only

Doug Bowman made the motion to approve the funds of \$300.00 for Food Voucher and Deny Funds \$6,889.50 for Taxes, Seconded by Chuck Hegg, Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

6. 23-11-37 \$300.00 Food Vouchers / New Stove \$ 548.00 or \$578.00 Home Depot Director Approved Food Vouchers Only

Doug Bowman made the motion to approve the funds \$548.00 for new stove, \$300.00 for food vouchers, Seconded by John Pajtas. Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

Peacetime Fund

7. 23-10-35 Foreclosure Notice \$3,810.80

Dan Smith made the motion to approve the funds \$3,810.80, Seconded by Dave Mogg. Motion to approve by Dan Smith, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring. John Pajtas, Chuck Hegg and Doug Bowman Voted to deny funds. All Committee members would like Veteran to take Financial Coaching.

8. 23-10-30 Consumers \$2,366.97 / Food Vouchers \$500.00 Director Approved Food Vouchers Only

Doug Bowman made the motion to approve the funds \$2,366.97 for Consumers, \$500.00 For Food Vouchers, Seconded by Dan Smith. Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

9. 23-10-36 Eviction Notice \$3,788.48/ Food Vouchers \$350.00 Director Approved Food Vouchers Only

Dan Smith made the motion to approve the funds \$3,788.48 for eviction, \$350.00 For Food Vouchers, Seconded by John Pajtas. Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

10. 23-10-33 Car Repair \$1528.11/\$2,049.99

Doug Bowman made the motion to approve the funds \$1,528.11, Seconded by Chuck Hegg. Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

11. 23-09-29 Plates/ Tabs \$ 341.00/ Car Repair \$1,624.76/ \$2,993.63 Gas Card \$25.00 Food Vouchers \$150.00
Director Approved Food Voucher and Gas Card only

Doug Bowman made the motion to approve the funds \$1,624.76 for Kennedys,\$ 150.00 Food Voucher, \$25.00 Gas Card, Seconded by Dan Smith. Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

Director’s Update and Board Discussions

- Budget
- Burials
- VSO Metrix
- Transportation
- Training
- Meetings/Agencies
- Ideas for assisting Veterans
- Food / Personal Hygiene / Cleaning Closet
- Homeless Survival Packs
- A Veteran’s Christmas Miracle

Committee Updates

Director Reeve asked the Committee Board to approve paying rent for one year for 23-10-32 Christmas Miracle, Paying car payments for one year, Dan Smith made the motion to approve the Funds \$11,700.00, Seconded by Doug Bowman. Motion to approve by Dan Smith, Doug Bowman, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring, Motion Denied by John Pajtas and Chuck Hegg.

Director Reeve asked the Committee Board to approve starting a Veterans Pantry here in the office, Doug Bowman made the motion to approve the funds \$5,000.00; \$2,500.00 from Peace Time Funds; \$2500.00 from PA 214 funds to start pantry, Seconded by Dave Mogg. Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

Director Reeve asked the Committee Board to approved Purchasing backpacks for Homeless Veterans, Dave Mogg made the motion to approve the funds \$500.00 to purchase backpacks, Seconded by Doug Bowman. Motion to approve by Doug Bowman, Dan Smith, Chuck Hegg, John Pajtas, Dave Mogg and Gary Duehring.

Public Comment:

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.

Shiawassee County Veterans’ Affairs and Services Relief Fund Committee minutes for November 08, 2023.

Gary Duehring
Chairman
Shiawassee County
Veterans Affairs and Services

Mike Reeve
Director
Shiawassee County
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