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Adam Holier
DIRECTOR

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MICHIGAN VETERANS TRUST FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 3, 2023
Board of Trustees and Staff

Chairperson James Dempsey, present
Vice Chairperson Paul McIvor, present
Trustee Carol Hebert, present
Trustee Gregory Spight, present
Trustee James Wallace, present
Trustee Rodney Loonsfoot, excused
Trustee Brian Love, excused
Lindell Holm, Director, present
Carolyn Harden, Departmental Supervisor, present
Erik Napieralski, Department Analyst, present

Chairperson Dempsey called the meeting to order at 3:23 p.m.

Notice of Open Meetings Act Compliance

Chairperson Dempsey received confirmation that the meeting notices were posted pursuant to Public Act 267 of 1976, the Open Meetings Act

Introduction of Guests

Danial Shinaver, Region 7 Buddy to Buddy, Region 9 Veteran Engagement Officer

Approval of Minutes

A MOTION (Carol Hebert/Gregory Spight) to approve the Public Minutes of April 4, 2023, passed and carried.

A total of 17 appeals/reviews and zero 65+ Peacetime application were reviewed in a closed case discussion.

Case 123 (Region 6, Lapeer County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for rent in the amount of \$11,500.00.

Case 124 (Region 4, Muskegon County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new roof in the amount of \$10,000.00.

Case 125 (Region 4, Muskegon County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new roof in the amount of \$19,888.37.

Case 126 (Region 7, Ingham County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for home repairs in the amount of \$31,160.00.

Case 127 (Region 4, Muskegon County)

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- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for home repairs in the amount of \$14,000.00.

Case 128 (Region 10, Wayne County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees partially approved your application for rent in the amount of \$4,375.69.

Case 129 (Region 5, Clare County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for vehicle repairs in the amount of \$4,372.79.

Case 130 (Region 4, Kent County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for delinquent rent in the amount of \$2,600.00.

Case 131 (Region 4, Kent County)

Resolved

Case 132 (Region 2, Grand Traverse County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for delinquent rent in the amount of \$5,500.00.

Case 133 (Region 10, Macomb County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for dental work in the amount of \$14,580.00.

Case 134 (Region 9, Jackson County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for home repairs in the amount of \$13,507.00.

Case 135 (Region 10, Wayne County)

Withdrawn

Case 136 (Region 8, Van Buren County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees partially approved your application for home repairs in the amount of \$15,000.00.

Case 137 (Region 4, Kent County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a vehicle purchase in the amount of \$6,995.00.

Case 138 (Region 10, Macomb County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for rent in the amount of \$6,100.00.

Case 139 (Region 8, Calhoun County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a septic system in the amount of \$10,500.00.

Case 140 (Region 1, Chippewa County)

Moved

Case 141 (Region 2, Grand Traverse County)

Moved

Case 142 (Region 1, Mackinaw County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees partially approved your application for vehicle repair in the amount of \$6,000.00.

Case 143 (Region 1, Chippewa County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for land contract payments in the amount of \$8,675.00.

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The total number/amount of emergency grants approved/partially approved for 65+ Peacetime was zero for **\$0.00**.

A MOTION (Carol Hebert/Paul McIvor) to accept the emergency grant approvals and denials made in the May 3, 2023, case discussion, passed and carried in the amount of **\$47,375.69**.

Accounting Reports

Presented

County & District Committees--Committee Appointments

A MOTION (Carol Hebert/Paul McIvor) to approve the County & District Committee Appointments presented, passed and carried.

Ineligibles/Administrative Errors – Reconsideration

None

Unfinished Business

Director Holm reported on the discussion he had with Representative Coffia regarding the potential introduction of new legislation to expand eligibility for the MVTF Emergency Grant Program for peacetime era veterans. The discussion that followed focused on the potential impact of such legislation on the corpus and on the MVTF personnel and operations. Director Holm reported that he met with the VA in Detroit to discuss the possibility of creating a volunteer driver program to drive veterans to their medical appointments.

New Business

Director Holm reported on the upcoming MVE Lab to be held May 25, 2023, and the need for assistance for judging for that Lab. Chairperson Dempsey reported that he volunteered to judge at the event.

MVTF Board Activities

Trustee Hebert reported that she plans to attend the Annual AMVETS Conference at the end of August. Trustee Loonsfoot is currently in D.C. for Congressional hearings regarding the Bureau of Land Management and the tribal claim on land in the Upper Peninsula. Trustee Wallace reported that he will be attending his National Conference in May.

Strategic Programs Sub-Committee Reports

None

MVTF Staff Activities

MVTF Department Analyst, Erik Napieralski reported he will be traveling to Selfridge on May 17, 2023, Farmington Hills on May 25, 2023, the VFW State Convention on June 8-9 and the American Legion in July to brief veterans on the Michigan Veteran's Trust Fund.

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None

Public Comments

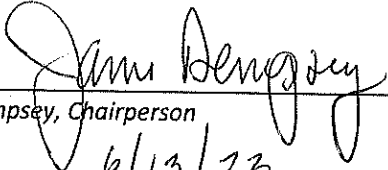
None

Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

A MOTION (Jim Wallace/Carol Hebert) to adjourn, passed and carried.

Approved:



James Dempsey, Chairperson

Date