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STATE OF MICHIGAN
MICHIGAN VETERANS AFFAIRS AGENCY
LANSING

ZANETA ADAMS
DIRECTOR

MINUTES

PUBLIC MEETING

January 8, 2020

Board of Trustees and Staff

Chairperson Barry Wood, present
Vice Chairperson Robert Williams, present
Trustee James Tighe, present
Trustee Dr. Edward Hirsch, present
Trustee Jim Dempsey, present
Trustee Jill Mathews, present
Trustee Thomas Smith, present
Lindell Holm, Director present
Carolyn Harden, present
Dawn Shinaver, Departmental Analyst

Chairperson Wood called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

Notice of Open Meetings Act Compliance

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

Introduction of Guests

Director Holm introduces Michael A. Clossen, Fiscal Analyst, with the House Fiscal Agency.

Public Comments

None

Approval of Minutes

A MOTION (Robert Williams/Edward Hirsch) to approve the Public Minutes, of December 2, 2019, passed and carried.

A total of 28 appeals and reviews were considered

Case 82 (Region 10, Oakland County)

Moved to February meeting

Case 83 (Region 9, Jackson County)

Moved to February meeting

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Case 84 (Region 6, St. Clair County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for vehicle repairs in the amount of \$6,614.40. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency.

Case 85 (Region 2, Manistee County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for your installed furnace in the amount of \$4,500.00. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency.

Case 86 (Region 7, Ingham County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for electric/water/sewer in the amount of \$296.97.

Case 87 (Region 3, Montmorency County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new well in the amount of \$12,782.00. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency.

Case 88 (Region 10, Macomb County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for mortgage in the amount of \$4,168.54.

Case 89 (Region 2, Emmet County)

Moved to February meeting

Case 90 (Region 2, Manistee County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new roof in the amount of \$18,930.00. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and, after reviewing the documents you provided, has determined the assistance requested does not qualify as an emergent need.

Case 91 (Region 2, Emmet County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a new furnace in the amount of \$2,812.00.

Case 92 (Region 5, Gladwin County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new roof in the amount of \$8,157.00. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency and sufficient assets are available to meet necessary expenses.

Case 93 (Region 7, Ingham County)

Resolved

Case 94 (Region 10, Oakland County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for vehicle repairs up to the amount of \$2,700.00. You must provide a copy of the required estimate.

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Case 95 (Region 3, Montmorency County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new furnace in the amount of \$2,724.00. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency.

Case 96 (Region 8, Cass County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application in an interim decision for a new furnace in the amount of \$3,200.00.

Case 97 (Region 7, Clinton County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a new furnace in the amount of \$2,500.00.

Case 98 (Region 5, Saginaw County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a heat and electric in the amount of \$405.88. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation requires a more long-term solution than the Trust Fund is designed to resolve. Previous grant assistance has not resolved your situation.

Case 99 (Region 10, Macomb County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application in an interim decision for set of dentures in the amount of \$2,000.00.

Case 100 (Region 4A, Mecosta County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application in an interim decision for dental work in the amount of \$2,647.00.

Case 101 (Region 4A, Newaygo County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a new metal roof in the amount of \$2,787.50.

Case 102 (Region 4B, Muskegon County)

Resolved

Case 103 (Region 7, Ingham County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a new roof in the amount of \$11,314.00.

Case 104 (Region 3, Iosco County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application in an interim decision for vehicle repossession in the amount of \$1,984.93.

Case 105 (Region 4B, Kent County)

Resolved

Case 106 (Region 4A, Newaygo County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a new roof in the amount of \$3,185.00.

Case 107 (Region 4A, Lake County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees partially approved your application for electric in the amount of \$3,104.67. The remaining requests for propane in the amount of \$623.83 and garbage in the amount of \$102.50 were disapproved. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency.

Case 108 (Region 4B, Kent County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for heating gas in the amount of \$2,469.58. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency. Your situation requires a more long-term solution than the Trust Fund is designed to resolve.

Case 109 (Region 9, Lenawee County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application in an interim decision for new well in the amount of \$5,883.14.

Case 110 (Region 5, Gladwin County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new roof in the amount of \$7,350.00. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency.

Case 111 (Region 3, Iosco County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees partially approved your application for new furnace in the amount of \$2,700.00. The remaining amount for the furnace in the amount of \$700.00 is your responsibility. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency.

Case 112 (Region 5, Saginaw County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for payment of VA debt in the amount of \$4,798.65. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency.

Case 113 (Region 5, Saginaw County)

Moved to February meeting

Case 114 (Region 10, Macomb County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for mortgage in the amount of \$6,655.52 and water/sewer in the amount of \$272.00. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and, after reviewing the documents you provided, has determined that there is no reasonable expectation that a grant would enable you to resume your financial responsibilities. Your situation requires a more long-term solution than the Trust Fund is designed to resolve.

Case 115 (Region 2, Grand Traverse County)

Moved to February meeting

Case 116 (Region 3, Montmorency County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for an installed furnace in the amount of \$3,000.00. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation does not constitute an unforeseen circumstance creating a financial emergency.

Case 117 (Region 7, Ingham County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for rent in the amount of \$1,000.00 and vehicle payments in the amount of \$539.84. The Board of Trustees has considered your request for assistance and determined that your situation requires a more long-term solution than the Trust Fund is designed to resolve. Previous grant assistance has not resolved your situation.

The total amount authorized for emergency grants approved/partially approved was 15 for \$51,283.75.

A MOTION (James Dempsey/Edward Hirsch to accept the emergency grant approvals and denials made in closed discussion, passed and carried.

Accounting Report

Reviewed without comment.

Ineligibles/Administrative Errors – Reconsideration

None

County & District Committees--Committee Appointments

A MOTION (Robert Williams/James Dempsey) to accept the County & District appointments submitted to the Board, passed and carried. See attached file.

Closed Session

A MOTION (Barry Wood/James J. Tighe) to enter closed session was submitted to the Board to review a hearing, passed and carried at 11: 01 a.m.

Open Session

A MOTION (James J. Tighe/James Dempsey) to open session submitted to the Board to review a hearing, passed and carried at 11:18 a.m.

Unfinished Business

Director Holm opened up the nominations for the offices of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for election to be held in February.

Director Holm read BTP-302 that states the Vice Chairperson is automatically nominated to be the Chairperson.

Trustee Williams nominated Trustee Wood for the position Chairperson.

A MOTION (Hirsh/Dempsey) to accept the nominations of Barry Wood for Chairperson and Robert Williams for Chairperson and to close the nominations that were made, passed and carried.

A MOTION (Williams/Dempsey) to accept the nominations of Barry Wood for Chairperson and Robert Williams for Vice-Chairperson passed and carried

New Business

The Director proposed changing the Board meeting dates for February and March 2020.

A MOTION (Williams/Dempsey) to accept the calendar changes that were made, passed and carried.

MVTF Board Activities

None

MVTF Staff Activities

None

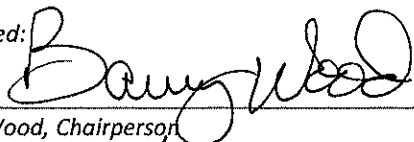
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None

Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Approved:



Barry Wood, Chairperson

2/5/2020

Date