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MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MICHIGAN VETERANS TRUST FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
September 13, 2022
Board of Trustees and Staff

Chairperson James Dempsey, present
Vice Chairperson Paul McIvor, present
Trustee Carol Hebert, excused
Trustee Jill Mathews, present
Trustee Thomas Smith, present
Trustee James Wallace, present
Trustee Rodney Loonsfoot, present
Lindell Holm, Director, present
Carolyn Harden, Departmental Supervisor, present
Erik Napieralski, Department Analyst, present

Chairperson Dempsey called the meeting to order at 12:18. 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

None

Approval of Minutes

A MOTION (Paul McIvor/Jill Mathews) to approve the Public Minutes of August 9, 2022, passed and carried.

A total of 18 appeals and reviews were considered and a total of one review was considered for 65+ Peacetime Program in closed case discussion.

Case 165 (Region 8, Cass County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new metal roof and gutters in the amount of \$27,754.00.

Case 167 (Region 4, Muskegon County)

Moved to next month

Case 173 (Region 6, Genesee County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new furnace and a/c unit in the amount of \$7,450.00.

Case 174 (Region 2, Antrim County)

Moved to next month

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Case 175 (Region 8, Calhoun County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for mortgage assistance in the amount of \$5,897.05.

Case 176 (Region 2, Grand Traverse County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a new boiler in the amount of \$7,952.70 in an interim decision.

Case 177 (Region 3, Cheboygan County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for rent in the amount of \$1,400.00 and dental work in the amount of \$3,171.00.

Case 178 (Region 8, Calhoun County)

Moved to next month

Case 179 (Region 4, Osceola County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees partially approved your application for a new septic system in the amount of \$16,870.00 and a new pump \$1,275.00.

Case 180 (Region 9, Jackson County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a new roof in the amount of \$13,000.00 in an interim decision.

Case 181 (Region 4, Ottawa County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a completed vehicle repair in the amount of \$7,522.40.

Case 182 (Region 1, Chippewa County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for rent in the amount of \$2,745.00, electric in the amount of \$266.58, cell phones \$298.89 and vehicle insurance in the amount of \$118.51.

Case 183 (Region 6, Shiawassee County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a new roof in the amount of \$10,000.00 and mold remediation in the amount of \$687.00.

Case 184 (Region 8, Berrien County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for two furnaces and air conditioning units in the amount of \$22,950.00.

Case 185 (Region 10, Oakland County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees partially approved your application for rent in the amount of \$6,376.00.

Case 186 (Region 3, Iosco County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for new windows and a sliding glass door in the amount of \$8,100.00.

Case 187 (Region 4, Kent County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for vehicle payments in the amount of \$709.00, vehicle payments in the amount of \$644.00 and mortgage in the amount of \$1,599.00.

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Case 188 (Region 10, Wayne County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new boiler in the amount of \$9,550.00.

Case 189 (Region 5, Gratiot County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees partially approved your application for heat and electric in the amount of \$6,508.80.

Case 190 (Region 2, Wexford County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a new roof in the amount of \$5,750.00.

Case 191 (Region 4, Muskegon County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees approved your application for a new septic system in the amount of \$6,150.00.

A total of 18 appeals and reviews were considered

The total amount of emergency grants approved/partially approved for was eight for ~~\$72,622.95~~.

Case 9P-65+ Peacetime (Region 4, Oceana County)

- The MVTF Board of Trustees disapproved your application for a new well in the amount of \$14,008.65, doors and flooring in the amount of \$3,576.00 and mortgage in the amount of \$1,053.80.

A total of one review was considered for 65+ Peacetime

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

A MOTION (Paul McIvor/Jill Mathews) to accept the emergency grant approvals and denials made in the September 13, 2022, case discussion, passed and carried in the amount of \$72,622.95.

Accounting Reports

Presented

County & District Committees--Committee Appointments

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

Ineligibles/Administrative Errors – Reconsideration

None

Strategic Programs Sub-Committee Reports

Director Holm reported that the Strategic Programs Sub-Committee met and discussed the Upper Peninsula Commission for Area Progress (UPCAP) Veteran Food Assistance Grant Proposal (handouts provided) and how it will assist Veterans, National Guard/Reserve members, and un-married surviving spouses within the 15 Counties of the Upper Peninsula with \$100.00 gift cards/certificates. A brief discussion followed.

A MOTION (Rodney Loonsfoot/Jill Mathews) to approve the UPCAP Veteran Food Assistance Grant Proposal in the amount of \$55,000.00 for the FY 23 Budget, passed and carried.

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The Board also discussed the need to replace former Vice Chairperson Barry Wood with another trustee. Chairman Dempsey asked Vice Chairperson Paul Mclvor to serve on the Strategic Program Sub-Committee and he agreed.

A MOTION (Jim Wallace/Jill Mathews) to approve Vice Chairperson Paul Mclvor to serve on the Strategic Program Sub-Committee, passed and carried.

Unfinished Business

MVTF Director Lindell Holm reported on the FY 23 proposed budget (handouts provided), a brief discussion followed. Director Holm also reported on GreenPath, the MVE Lab, the 65+ Peacetime Program. A brief discussion followed.

A MOTION (Jill Mathews/Paul Mclvor) to approve the FY 23 budget as presented, passed, and carried.

New Business

Director Holm discussed the upcoming TAG Golf outing and the possibility of a Trust Fund sponsored luncheon for Board members, as well as permitting an annual luncheon for committee members as an MVTF county expense. The matter was tabled for another time.

MVTF Board Activities

MVTF Director Holm reported on Carol Hebert's induction into the Michigan Military & Veterans Hall of Honor on November 18, 2022, to be held in Lansing. Director Holm suggested to the MVTF Board to move the November 8th Board meeting date to November 18, 2022, to coincide with that event. Chairperson Dempsey reported that he attended the DAV National Convention. Trustee Jill Mathews reported that she attended the MVE Lab which was held in Ann Arbor, adding that the MVE Lab is very thankful for the financial support they have received from the MVTF.

MVTF Staff Activities

MVTF Director Holm reported that he will be attending the MVE Lab to be held at the Washtenaw Community College. MVTF Analyst, Erik Naperalski reported that he will be attending the Michigan Association of County Veteran Counselors in Bay City, September 22-23, 2022. Director Holm reported that the Wayne County agent is now meeting with veterans in Detroit but added that they are looking for a more convenient location to meet due to the cost for parking in that location.

Good of the Order

MVTF Director Holm reported that the MVTF has been receiving donations on behalf of Jack Devine in honor of his birthday request in lieu of gifts to him to consider donations to the MVTF to help veterans in need. To date, the MVTF has received \$1,491.00 in donations on behalf of Jack Devine. Holm reported that more MVTF coasters have been ordered for the November 6, 2022, Gala event and that the MVTF shirts for board members are in and will be distributed to board members at the end of the meeting.

Public Comments

None

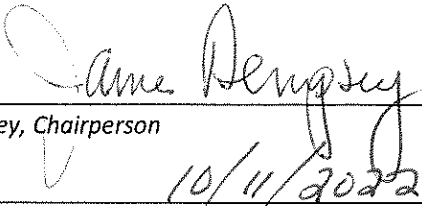
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Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

A MOTION (James Wallace/Jill Mathews) to adjourn, passed and carried.

Approved:



James Dempsey, Chairperson

Date