



MINUTES
Board of Commissioners Chambers
219 East Paw Paw Street

July 22, 2021 2:00 PM

Commissioners

Gail Patterson-Gladney, District 1
Kurt Doroh, District 2
Richard Godfrey, District 3
Mike Chappell, District 4
Randall Peat, District 5
Donald Hanson, District 6
Paul Schincariol, District 7

Veterans Services Committee Meeting

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

- Committee members present: Commissioner Peat, Commissioner Hanson and Commissioner Chappell
- Others in attendance: Administrator Hardester, Tony Dacoba, Sherry Schwartz
- Minutes: Cari Elmore

2. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda by Commissioner Chappell; Support by Commissioner Hanson; Motion: Carried

4. Approval of Minutes

A. 6-8-2021 Veterans Services Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes by Commissioner Hanson; Supported by Commissioner Chappell; Motion: Carried.

5. Public Comment

None

6. Agenda Items

A. MVAA Grant

Frank presented the MVAA Grant application. This will be sent to the state for approval. The request is to accept the application as is, and authorize the Chairperson to sign on the Board's behalf. Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve the grant application and allow the Commission Chairperson to sign on the Board of Commissioners' behalf and move this to the COW on 7/27/21 and the BOC on 8/10/21 by Commissioner Hanson; Support by Commissioner Chappell; Motion: Carried.

B. Veterans Treatment and Referral Agreement

Frank presented the Veterans Treatment and Referral Agreement stating that the only thing changing from the previous the agreement is the dates. Amendments can be

made at a later date. Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve the agreement and allow the Commission Chairperson sign on the Board of Commissioners' behalf and move to the COW on 7/27/21 and BOC on 8/10/21 by Commissioner Chappell; Support by Commissioner Hanson; Motion: Carried.

C. Veterans' Services Positions

Frank reported about the need to post the positions of Veterans Services Director and Veterans Services Officer. Discussion ensued.

- An Interview committee will be formed consisting of people from this committee, maybe subject to public notification.

Motion to approve the posting of the two positions, with hiring subject to board approval, to be brought to the COW on 7/27/21 and the BOC on 8/10/21 by Commissioner Hanson; Support by Commissioner Chappell; Motion: Carried.

D. Pawsitively K9 Service Agreement

Frank presented the Pawsitively K9 Service Agreement. Stoney stated that this service agreement covers the cost and training of 3 emotional support dogs in the amount of \$14,097, which will be covered by the MVAA Grant funds, if the grant is approved.

Motion to approve the K9 Service Agreement contingent upon award of the grant, to be brought before the COW on 7/27/21 and the BOC on 8/10/21 by Commissioner Hanson; Support by Commissioner Chappell; Motion: Carried.

7. Public Comment

- Frank stated that in the packet we have stated that we would bring most of these items to the 7/27/21 meeting, but Sherry is stating that they most likely will not hear back from the state at this point. It was agreed to present anything contingent on the grant after the grant has been approved by the state.
- Commissioner Peat stated that normally the Soldiers and Sailors Relief Commission are given \$75,000, but they don't normally spend it all and it is given back. Commissioner Peat recommends in the future budgets we should forward them money upon request, to be discussed in future budget meetings. Stoney recommended using other funds, and not county money.

8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Hanson; Support by Commissioner Chappell; Motion: Carried

Meeting Adjourned 3:07 p.m.