











Cuyahoga County Veterans Service Commission

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MINUTES

DATE:

June 5, 2013

9:30 a.m.

PRESENT:

Bob Potts, President

Clayton E. Uzell, Vice President

Daniel T. Weist, Secretary Mel Baher, Commissioner Frank Pocci, Commissioner

Robert E. Schloendorn, Executive Director Brian Gutkoski, Asst. County Prosecutor

Lorri Slivka, Executive Secretary

VISITORS:

None.

PURPOSE:

GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING

The meeting was called to order by the President, Bob Potts, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Mel Baher and seconded by Clay Uzell to dispense with the reading of the Consent Agenda and to accept the agenda with the necessary corrections and/or additions. (All Commissioners have a copy of the minutes.)

AYES: Baher, Pocci, Potts, Uzell, Weist. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Dan Weist – DAV

- I assisted in placing 3,000 flags at the Lakewood Park Cemetery in Rocky River with the DAV and American Legion.
- I attended and marched in the Bay Village Memorial Day parade.
- I attended and marched in the North Olmsted Memorial Day parade.
- My wife, Linda, and I helped plant flowers at Avon Lake American Legion Post 211.
- I attended both open public Board meetings and one of the Level III Appeal hearings during the month of May.
- May 22nd I participated in the F.O.P. golf outing.

Mel Baher – American Legion

- Wednesday, May 1st I attended the American Legion 13th District Council meeting at 7:30 p.m. at American Legion Post 451 in Rocky River. I presented the District financial report as District Finance officer and gave an update on the CCVSC, reminding the posts that their Memorial Day flags are now available from the County Public Works office. Also, a Post Everlasting service was conducted by the Past District Commanders.
- Thursday, May 9th I attended the American Legion Post 91 membership meeting at 7:00 p.m. I presented my final post membership report. The election of new post officers was held and I was elected as an executive board member and as a delegate to the District Convention. New incoming post officers were Darrell Stewart, 1st Vice Commander and Don Vaji, 2nd Vice Commander. Tony Mazzeo remains as Commander.
- Monday, May 20th I attended the American Legion 13th District Executive board meeting at 7:30 p.m. at American Legion Post 451 in Rocky River. I presented the District financial report as District Finance officer.
- Thursday, May 23rd I attended the American Legion Post 91 executive board meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, May 25th I, along with other Post 91 members, decorated over 1,300 graves at Woodvale Cemetery in Middleburg Heights.
- Monday, May 27th I participated in the Memorial Day parade and I, along with my wife, placed a wreath at the Vietnam Memorial Cross during the services held immediately following the parade.
- Sunday, June 2nd I attended the American Legion 13th District Summer Convention at 10:00 a.m. which was held at the F.O.P. hall in Cleveland. I presented the District financial reports. I was also elected the 2013-2014 Finance Officer and 2013 National Convention delegate.

Upcoming Events:

- June 13th Post 91 membership meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- June 14th Post 91 will hold its annual Flag Day Ceremony at 7:00 p.m.
- June 24th 13th District executive board meeting to be announced.
- June 27th Leave for Department Convention in Toledo, Ohio.

Frank Pocci – AMVETS

- I attended the general meeting at Post 80 on June 3rd where I gave my financial report and asked for the Memorial Day receipts to be submitted to the county for reimbursement.

 Other Activities:
 - I attended two of the open meetings and one of the appeals meetings at the CCVSC during the month of May, including the off-site meeting.
 - I attended the general meeting of the Italian American War Veterans on May 30th.
 - I referred one veteran to our service officer at the Parma Clinic. I met again with this veteran on June 2nd and he had nothing but great things to say about our service officer, Randy, and how helpful and professional he was about everything.
 - I will be bringing information to our service officers downtown about another veteran who has very low income and in need of help. While I do not know the particulars of this veteran's situation, I'm certain our service officers will assist him.

Clay Uzell – VFW

- May 1st − I attended the CCVSC open public meeting.
- May 4th I attended a VFW District 9 Testimonial dinner at Post 1662 Amherst honoring the District Commander and President.
- May 8th I attended the CCVSC Level III appeal hearings.
- May 15th I attended the CCVSC open public meeting.

- May 19th I attended the VFW District 2 meeting in Spencerville. I reported on safety projects completed by District 2 posts.
- May 20th I attended the VFW Post 7536 meeting where newly elected officers were installed.
- May 22nd I attended the CCVSC Level III appeal hearings.

• May 25 through 26th – I distributed poppies at the South Euclid Giant Eagle.

May 27th – I attended and took part in a wreath laying ceremony at Lakeview Cemetery. I placed wreaths for WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Beirut Marine Barracks bombing, Gulf War, Afghanistan, Iraq and CCVSC.

Bob Potts – VVA

- May 1st I attended the CCVSC open public meeting.
- May 7th I attended the VVA Chapter 249 board meeting.
- May 7th I attended the VVA Chapter 249 membership meeting.
- May 8th I attended the CCVSC Level III Appeals hearing.
- May 15th I attended the CCVSC open public meeting.
- May 22nd I attended the CCVSC Level III Appeals hearing.
- May 23rd Chapter 249 Speaker Bureau went to North Ridgeville High School to speak to the students in five classes of sophomores and juniors about the Vietnam experience.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Executive Director contacted the county concerning the salary of the two reappointed commissioners and has not received a response to date.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Mel Baher and seconded by Frank Pocci to approve the revised Schedule of Record Retention and Destruction Policy dated June 5, 2013, effective immediately.

AYES: Baher, Pocci, Potts, Uzell, Weist. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dan Weist and seconded by Frank Pocci to approve the revised Leave Donation Policy dated 6/5/13, effective immediately.

AYES: Baher, Pocci, Potts, Uzell, Weist. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dan Weist and seconded by Frank Pocci to approve the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Policy dated June 5, 2013, effective immediately.

AYES: Baher, Pocci, Potts, Uzell, Weist. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mel Baher and seconded by Frank Pocci to approve the Identification Card Policy dated June 5, 2013, effective immediately.

AYES: Baher, Pocci, Potts, Uzell, Weist. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mel Baher and seconded by Dan Weist to approve the Key Control Policy dated June 5, 2013, effective immediately.

AYES: Baher, Pocci, Potts, Uzell, Weist. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mel Baher and seconded by Clay Uzell to approve the Calling Off Policy dated June 5, 2013, effective immediately.

AYES: Baher, Pocci, Potts, Uzell, Weist. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mel Baher and seconded by Dan Weist to approve Resolution 2013-18 providing for the purchase of 20/:15 second radio commercials per week for 26 weeks on WMJI Majic 105.7, in an

amount not to exceed \$24,960.00. The radio advertising agreement is with Clear Channel Radio for which there were no comparable talk FM radio stations to get competitive bids.

AYES: Baher, Pocci, Potts, Uzell, Weist. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dan Weist and seconded by Clay Uzell to approve Resolution 2013-19 requesting authority for eight CCVSC service officers to attend the Ohio State Association of County Veterans Service Officers Summer Quarterly meeting and training conference from July 25-26, in Dublin, Ohio, expenses not to exceed \$1,888.00.

AYES: Baher, Pocci, Potts, Uzell, Weist. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

County Council has distributed overages of the veterans service commission fund from 2012 and the matter has been referred to committee for approval. All of these programs are intended to be earmarked for veterans. The complete list is attached to these minutes.

Commissioner Weist will be the only commissioner attending the OSAVSC Summer Convention in Dublin, Ohio from July 26-28, 2013.

The Executive Director received an email from the Ohio Dept. of Veterans Services asking if we are issuing veterans I.D. cards for other counties. The matter was referred to the county Fiscal Dept. who is overseeing this process.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There were no items for Executive Session.

With no further business, a motion was made by Dan Weist and seconded by Mel Baher to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

AYES: Baher, Pocci, Potts, Uzell, Weist. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

President

Daniel T. Weist, Secretary

CONTACT INFORMATION

Filing claims with the Dept. of

Requests for Financial Assistance:

Jennifer Mazzeo, Manager/Senior Investigator (216-698-2621)

Melinda Halliburton, Service Office Manager (216-698-2639)

Veterans' Affairs: Memorial Affairs:

Laurene Rutkowski, Manager (216-698-2655)

Social Work Dept.:

Terry Walker, Manager, Social Worker/Case Management

(216-698-2379)

Executive Director:

Bob Schloendorn (216-698-2611)

Commissioners:

Lorri Slivka, Secretary to the Board (216-698-2646)



AGENDA CUYAHOGA COUNTY FINANCE & BUDGETING COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY, MAY 20, 2013 CUYAHOGA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR 1:00 PM

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO THE AGENDA
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 6, 2013 MEETING
- 5. MATTER REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
 - a) R2013-0086: A Resolution determining the services and programs that shall be provided and funded from the Veterans Services Fund in 2013; approving an alternative procurement process; making awards to various providers in the total amount of \$733,306.00 for said services and programs for the period ending 6/30/2014; authorizing the County Executive to execute the agreements, contracts and all other documents consistent with said awards and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective:
 - 1) Cuyahoga Community College in the amount of \$73,330.00.
 - 2) Cleveland State University in the amount of \$73,330.00.
 - 3) Cuyahoga County Office of Homeless Services in the total amount of \$242,500.00.
 - 4) Cleveland Municipal Court in the amount of \$104,146.00.
 - 5) Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation in the amount of \$100,000.00.
 - 6) The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland in the amount of \$75,000.00
 - 7) Cuyahoga County Department of Workforce Development in the amount of \$55,000.00.
 - 8) Cuyahoga County Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument Commission in the amount of \$10,000.00.

6. DISCUSSION

a) Update regarding Cuyahoga County's first quarter finances

7. MATTER REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

a) <u>R2013-0088</u>: A Resolution amending the 2012/2013 Biennial Operating Budget for 2013 by providing for additional fiscal appropriations from the General Fund and other funding sources, for appropriation transfers between budget accounts, and for cash transfers between budgetary funds, in order to meet the budgetary needs of various County departments, offices, and agencies; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

8. DISCUSSION

- a) 5-year Health and Human Service Levy Fund Budget Plan
- 9. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS
- 10. OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT
- 11. ADJOURNMENT

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