

DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 24, 2025

A regular meeting of the Chippewa County Department of Veteran Affairs Committee was held on Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at the Chippewa Courthouse in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Chairman Jim Shogren called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. The Veterans Board had a quorum and normal business was conducted.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brooks Partridge, Dr. Frederick Ludwig, Jim Shogren, Damon Lieurance

MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert Savoie

OTHERS PRESENT: John Miller

Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Dr. Frederick Ludwig, supported by Brooks Partridge, to approve the agenda as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Public Comment

No public comment was offered.

Monthly Report

The office has been open for twenty-eight (28) days from May 28, 2025 – June 24, 2025. There were approximately 55 visits to the office. Our office received and placed approximately 266 phone calls during this period. John conducted several home visits with veterans that were unable to make into the office. There was an outreach at the Brimley VFW #9023. The outreach event happened with Kevin Wade of SSVF / Community Action during the VFW's Fish Fry. Several Veterans were in attendance and there are plans for a larger event in the fall. John attended the Flag Day Ceremony in Pickford presented by the AMVETS and the American Legion. I was glad I was allowed to attend and assist with the flags. The DAV transportation program is going well. I spoke with Dave Spencer of the DAV and he attended the state meeting. He said the meeting went very well and our local chapter will continue. This is great news for our local Veterans and our DAV vehicle program. The office has also processed two (2) MVTF applications for Veteran assistance. One has been fully approved and the second is awaiting the State Committee approval. The office is currently working on a third (3rd) application at this time.

Approval of the Minutes

The committee received and reviewed the May 28, 2025 committee minutes.

It was moved by Brooks Partridge, supported by Dr. Frederick Ludwig, to approve the May 28, 2025 minutes as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Burials

No burial funds were used in June 2025.

No action needed.

Grave Markers

No grave marker funds were used in June 2025.

No action needed.

Food Assistance

Food assistance of \$100

No action needed.

MVAA Grant Distributions in the amount of \$150

- **Advertisement - \$0**
- **Transportation - \$50**
- **Food Assistance - \$100**
- **Emergent Relief - \$0**
- **Part-time Compliance Officer/Project Director - \$0**

The committee reviewed the MVAA grant distributions in the amount of \$150.

It was moved by Brooks Partridge, supported by Dr. Frederick Ludwig, to approve the MVAA grant distributions in the amount of \$150. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Date of next committee meeting.

The next meeting will be Monday July 28, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

It was moved by Brooks Partridge, supported by Dr. Frederick Ludwig, to have the next meeting take place on July 28, 2025 at 4:00 pm. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Committee Comments

No Comments

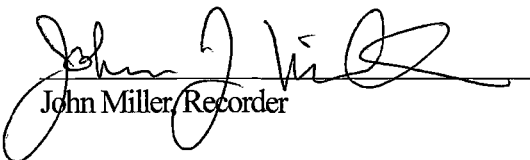
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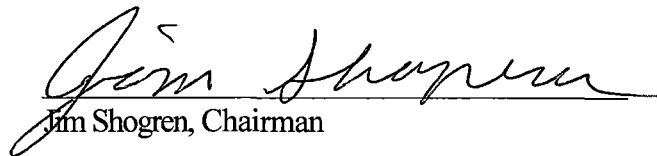
No comments

Adjourn

It was moved by Jim Shogren, supported by Brooks Partridge to adjourn. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm.


John Miller, Recorder


Jim Shogren, Chairman