

MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

101 E Main Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158

Chair
Dave Streets
Commissioner
Bob Grimes
Commissioner
Randy Kessler

Term Ends
12/31/2025

12/31/2024

12/31/2026

AGENDA

2:00 PM February 4, 2025

The Marshall County Commission of Veterans Affairs will meet in the Veterans Affairs office conference room, 101 E. Main St, Marshalltown, Iowa. The Commission will consider such necessary business as may come before it. Persons having business with the Commissioner of Veterans Affairs must submit a proposed agenda of items in writing to the Marshall County Veterans Affairs office, 101 E Main Street, Marshalltown, Iowa 50158.

Commissioners: Chair Dave Streets, Bob Grimes, Randy Kessler.

Ex-Officio member Board of Supervisor Representative: vacant.

PROPOSED AGENDA:

1. Call to Order by Commission Chair Streets.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call.
4. Approval of Minutes: Motion by __, second by __ to approve minutes as presented. Roll call vote: __. *Document: Regular Meeting of January 7, 2025.*
5. Presentation of claims and approval. Motion by __, second by __ to approve claims as presented. Roll call vote: __. *Document: Year to Date Expenditures.*
6. Veterans Helped Report / stats.
7. Amendment to Bylaws to allow Board of Supervisor Chair to delegate the ex-officio member to this Commission. Motion by __, second by __, to modify the bylaws as presented. Roll call vote:
(page 2 of the bylaws)

COMMISSION MEETINGS

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8. Director’s Report.
 - a. Coffee & Camaraderie
 - b. Veteran Memorial project update
 - c. Outreach Activities
 - d. VA Claim issues, Congressional updates
9. Commissioner’s Report.
10. Public comments.
11. Adjourn. Time: __

Kevin Huseboe

Executive Director, Veterans Affairs



OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Commissioners:
David Streets, Chairman
Bob Grimes
Randy Kessler

MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEETING Regular Meeting – Jan 7, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Chairman David Streets. Also in attendance were Commissioners Bob Grimes, Randy Kessler, Executive Director Kevin Huseboe, County Veterans Service Officer Shari Coughenour. Absent: Ex-officio member Board of Supervisor Chair Jarret Heil.

Roll Call: Present: Grimes, Streets, Kessler. Huseboe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kessler moved to approve regular minutes dated December 3, 2025, and special Minutes dated December 10, 2024, second by Streets. Motion carried 3-0.

Streets moved to approve the claims as presented, second by Kessler. Motion carried 3-0.

Statistics were presented, outlining numbers of veterans served, from which county they live in and what forms were filed. The office continues to receive out-of-county veteran inquiries for help.

Kessler moved to adopt Resolution 2025-001-Advance Issuance of Payments FY 2024-2025 and 2025-2026, second by Grimes. Resolution adopted 3-0.

Director Report:

1. Veteran Affairs office was closed for staff vacation Dec 26 – Dec 31, busy catching up on the inquiries during that time.
2. Marshall County Annex continues to be utilized for C&P exams once a month, drawing veterans to our community from other areas.
3. Wednesday, January 22 is Veterans on the Hill day.
4. December 14 was the Volunteer appreciation dinner at SmokinG, several Commissioners and volunteer van drivers and their wives attended.
5. Coffee & Camaraderie this morning went well, Don Gibson was the speaker, spoke of the veteran service dog project, dogs trained by inmates at Rockwell prison.
6. Veteran Memorial update- the center post and eagle arrived in South Dakota for etching. The central post and eagle need to be warm for the adhesives, anticipated assembly delayed for warmer weather. Marketing of the finished memorial will include the build story in a “scrapbook” style media.
7. Issues with VA benefit claims continue, meetings with congressional aides continue.
8. Advertisement for new van drivers continues.

There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 2:37 pm, Motion by Grimes, second by Kessler. Motion carried 3-0.
Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Huseboe, Executive Director

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Commission is to assist all Veterans of Marshall County
and other veterans with their VA Disability Claims*

VETERAN AFFAIRS - VETERANS SERVED

<u>New Veterans Added</u>	<u>2025 Month Totals</u>	<u>JAN</u>	<u>FEB</u>	<u>MAR</u>	<u>APR</u>	<u>MAY</u>	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>JULY</u>	<u>AUG</u>	<u>SEP</u>	<u>OCT</u>	<u>NOV</u>	<u>DEC</u>
<u>MARSHALL</u>	7	7											
<u>BLACK HAWK</u>	0												
<u>BUTLER</u>	0												
<u>CERRO GORDO</u>	0												
<u>GRUNDY</u>	0												
<u>HAMILTON</u>	0												
<u>HARDIN</u>	1	1											
<u>JASPER</u>	1	1											
<u>KOSSUTH</u>	0												
<u>LINN</u>	0												
<u>MAHASKA</u>	0												
<u>MARION</u>	0												
<u>MUSCATINE</u>	0												
<u>POLK</u>	0												
<u>POTTAWATTAMIE</u>	0												
<u>POWESHIEK</u>	1	1											
<u>STORY</u>	3	3											
<u>TAMA</u>	0												
<u>OTHER STATES</u>	0												
Year Totals		13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

<u>New Vets Other States</u>	<u>2025 Month Totals</u>	<u>JAN</u>	<u>FEB</u>	<u>MAR</u>	<u>APR</u>	<u>MAY</u>	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>JULY</u>	<u>AUG</u>	<u>SEP</u>	<u>OCT</u>	<u>NOV</u>	<u>DEC</u>
<u>IOWA</u>	13	13											
<u>COLORADO</u>	0	0											
<u>IDAHO</u>	0												
	0												
	0												
	0												
	0												
	0												
	0												
	0												
TOTAL		13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

VETERAN AFFAIRS - VETERANS SERVED

<u>Reports Filed</u>	<u>2025 Month Totals</u>	<u>JAN</u>	<u>FEB</u>	<u>MAR</u>	<u>APR</u>	<u>MAY</u>	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>JULY</u>	<u>AUG</u>	<u>SEP</u>	<u>OCT</u>	<u>NOV</u>	<u>DEC</u>
<u>10-10 EZ</u>	2	2											
<u>20-0995</u>	11	11											
<u>20-0996</u>	4	4											
<u>20-10207</u>	5	5											
<u>21-0781</u>	3	3											
<u>21-0845</u>	5	5											
<u>21-0966</u>	23	23											
<u>21-0972</u>	3	3											
<u>21-22</u>	28	28											
<u>21-4138</u>	26	26											
<u>21-4142</u>	20	20											
<u>21-4142a</u>	19	19											
<u>21-526EZ</u>	22	22											
<u>21-601</u>	1	1											
<u>21-686c</u>	3	3											
<u>21P-0969</u>	2	2											
<u>21P-527EZ</u>	1	1											
<u>21P-534EZ</u>	3	3											
<u>SF-180</u>	0	0											
TOTAL	181	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

KEY
10-10 EZ Application for Health Benefits
10-10 EZR Health Benefits Renewal
10-10HS Request for Hardship Determination
20-0995 Decision Review Request: Supplemental Claim
20-0996 Decision Review Request: Higher-Level Review
20-10207 Priority Processing due to qualifying circumstances or status
21-0845 Third Party Access
21-0966 Intent to File
21-0972 File for VA to accept Durable Power of Attorney
21-22 Appointment of Veterans Service Organization
21-4138 Statement in Support of Claim
21-4142, 4142a Private Medial Request
21-526EZ Application for Disability Compensation and Related Compensation Benefits
21-601 Application for Accrued Amounts Due A Deceased Beneficiary
21-686c Dependents, Add or Remove
21P-0969 Income & Asset Statement In Support Of Claim For Pension Or Parents' Dependency And Indemnity Compensation (DIC)
21P-527 Income-Net Worth and Employment Statement
21P-527EZ Application for Pension
21P-534a Application For Dependency And Indemnity Compensation By A Surviving Spouse Or Child - In-Service Death Only
21P-534EZ Application for DIC, Death Pension, and/or Accrued Benefits
SF180 - NARA Records Request



Marshall County, IA

Budget Report Account Summary

For Fiscal: 2024-2025 Period Ending: 01/31/2025

		Original Total Budget	Current Total Budget	Period Activity	Fiscal Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining
Fund: 0001 - GENERAL BASIC							
Function: 3200 - ADMINISTRATION							
0001-21-3200-000-10010	SALARIES-OFFICERS	44,950.00	44,950.00	3,744.20	26,209.40	18,740.60	41.69 %
0001-21-3200-000-10020	SALARIES-DEPUTIES/ASSISTANTS	34,750.00	34,750.00	2,697.31	20,102.83	14,647.17	42.15 %
0001-21-3200-000-10030	SALARIES-OTHER HELP	1,900.00	1,900.00	150.00	950.00	950.00	50.00 %
0001-21-3200-000-11900	EMP BEN-R-FHRA CO SHARE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0001-21-3200-000-21910	MISC REPAIRS/SERVICE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0001-21-3200-000-23000	VOLUNTARY DRIVERS MEETING EXP	800.00	800.00	617.73	617.73	182.27	22.78 %
0001-21-3200-000-26000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	2,200.00	2,200.00	0.00	490.22	1,709.78	77.72 %
0001-21-3200-000-29999	MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	500.00	500.00	0.00	246.74	253.26	50.65 %
0001-21-3200-000-40000	OFFICIAL PUB/ADVERTISING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0001-21-3200-000-41200	POSTAGE	600.00	600.00	0.00	0.00	600.00	100.00 %
0001-21-3200-000-41300	TRAVEL EXPENSE	2,500.00	2,500.00	165.20	362.18	2,137.82	85.51 %
0001-21-3200-000-41800	VA COUNTY ALLOCATION PROGRAM	10,000.00	10,000.00	175.00	7,312.59	2,687.41	26.87 %
0001-21-3200-000-42140	HARDWARE MAINTENANCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0001-21-3200-000-42210	SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	100.00 %
0001-21-3200-000-48700	LICENSES/FEES	200.00	200.00	0.00	1,048.00	-848.00	-424.00 %
0001-21-3200-000-62401	VETERANS MEMORIAL	80,000.00	80,000.00	0.00	1,949.55	78,050.45	97.56 %
0001-21-3200-000-63500	MOTOR VEHICLES	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	0.00 %
0001-21-3200-000-63600	EQUIPMENT/OFFICE MACHINES	2,500.00	2,500.00	240.67	1,180.40	1,319.60	52.78 %
0001-21-3200-000-63610	FURNITURE/FIXTURES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0001-21-3200-000-64600	SOFTWARE	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	100.00 %
Function: 3200 - ADMINISTRATION Total:		185,900.00	185,900.00	7,790.11	63,469.64	122,430.36	65.86 %
Function: 3210 - GENERAL SERVICES TO VETERANS							
0001-21-3210-000-29800	FUNERAL EXPENSE/GRAVE MARKER	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	100.00 %
0001-21-3210-000-30600	MEDICAL CARE-RELIEF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0001-21-3210-000-32300	FAMILY SUPPORT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0001-21-3210-000-34000	RENT-RELIEF	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	100.00 %
0001-21-3210-000-34100	UTILITIES-RELIEF	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	660.64	839.36	55.96 %
0001-21-3210-000-35400	TRANSPORTATION/RELIEF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
Function: 3210 - GENERAL SERVICES TO VETERANS Total:		4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00	660.64	3,839.36	85.32 %
Fund: 0001 - GENERAL BASIC Total:		190,400.00	190,400.00	7,790.11	64,130.28	126,269.72	66.32 %
Fund: 0002 - GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL							
Function: 3200 - ADMINISTRATION							
0002-21-3200-000-11000	EMP BEN--FICA CO SHARE	6,100.00	6,100.00	504.28	3,615.72	2,484.28	40.73 %
0002-21-3200-000-11100	EMP BEN--IPERS CO SHARE	7,600.00	7,600.00	612.17	4,386.11	3,213.89	42.29 %
0002-21-3200-000-11300	EMP BEN--HEALTH INS CO SHARE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0002-21-3200-000-11310	EMP BEN--LIFE INS CO SHARE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0002-21-3200-000-11320	EMP BEN--DENTAL CO SHARE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0002-21-3200-000-11710	EMP BEN--LTD CO SHARE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0002-21-3200-000-11720	EMP BEN--STD CO SHARE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
0002-21-3200-000-11901	EMP BEN--R-FHRA ADMIN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 %
Function: 3200 - ADMINISTRATION Total:		13,700.00	13,700.00	1,116.45	8,001.83	5,698.17	41.59 %
Fund: 0002 - GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL Total:		13,700.00	13,700.00	1,116.45	8,001.83	5,698.17	41.59 %
Report Total:		204,100.00	204,100.00	8,906.56	72,132.11	131,967.89	64.66 %

Fund Summary

Fund	Original Total Budget	Current Total Budget	Period Activity	Fiscal Activity	Variance	Percent Remaining
					Favorable (Unfavorable)	
0001 - GENERAL BASIC	190,400.00	190,400.00	7,790.11	64,130.28	126,269.72	66.32 %
0002 - GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL	13,700.00	13,700.00	1,116.45	8,001.83	5,698.17	41.59 %
Report Total:	204,100.00	204,100.00	8,906.56	72,132.11	131,967.89	64.66 %

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Marshall County Veterans Affairs Commission By-Laws

INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your three-year appointment to the County VA Commission Board by the Marshall County Board of Supervisors.

You now have an opportunity to assist your fellow Veteran and or surviving spouses, make the most of it. Marshall County Veterans are one of our counties most valuable assets. No one has done more for this county than our county Veterans.

Marshall County and Iowa have been on the forefront of every War, Conflict, and Skirmish that this Nation has encountered. To show its appreciation for the sacrifices that the Veteran and their Dependents have made, in 1874 the State of Iowa established a Veteran Assistance Program. You are now a part of this rich heritage as a member of the Marshall County Commission of Veteran Affairs. Again, welcome and thank you.

MISSION STATEMENT

“The Mission of the Marshall County Veteran Affairs Commission is to assist all Veterans of Marshall County and any other veterans with their Veteran Disability Claims.”

CONFIDENTIALITY

Confidentiality and a Veteran’s or surviving spouse right to privacy is a high priority to Marshall County Veterans Affairs Department. Information obtained from or about the Veteran and or surviving spouse will be kept in strict confidence.

HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (HIPAA)

Marshall County is committed to HIPAA compliance. Each county department, board or commission must adhere to all of Marshall County policies and procedures. Policies and procedures must be reviewed annually to ensure that all general requirements of HIPAA are met. Specifically:

- “Ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and the availability of all electronic protected health information (EPHI) the county creates, receives, maintains or transmits.
- Protect against any reasonably anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity or such information.
- Protect against any reasonably anticipated uses or disclosures of such information that are not permitted or required.
- Ensure compliance with the security standards identified in the HIPAA regulations”.
- Marshall County Veterans Affairs staff are not allowed to talk about veteran’s issues with anyone without permission from the veteran.

ESTABLISHING THE COMMISSION

Chapter 35B of the Code of Iowa created the Commission. Chapter 35B gives Iowa's individual County Boards of Supervisors the authority to establish a County Commission of Veteran Affairs. Once Commissioners are appointed, the State Code states the following:

Section 35B.6(1)(a) This section of the code states that once the Commission is established by the Supervisors, the Commission shall employ an Executive Director and shall have the power to employ Veteran Service Officers, administrative or clerical assistants. The appointment and salaries will be recommended by the Commission and approved by the Supervisors.

The Commissioners, Executive Director and/or Administrator must meet the qualifications and responsibilities as dictated in Iowa Code (Chapter 35B)

The Executive Director must complete a certification training provided by NACVSO and then 16 CEU's per year to maintain accreditation provided by the State Department of Veteran Affairs and IACCVSO. Failure to comply and maintain certification you will be cause for removal from office.

OFFICE HOURS

A county's population determines office hours: Marshall County **(39,853) 2021**

A Veteran Affairs Commission Office with a county population of more than 30,000, but less than 60,000 must be open for a minimum of 30 hours per week. Exceptions to the required minimum office hours per week are when a staff member is on vacation and the other is sick or for an outreach program or during times when it is required that the staff attend training.

JOINT RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & COMMISSION

COMMISSION MEETINGS

There will be times when it is required for the commission to attend more than one meeting per month. The chair of the commission meets monthly with the Executive Director. The Chair of the Board of Supervisors or their delegate serves as a non-voting Ex-Officio member of the Commission.

Schedule: Meetings will be scheduled monthly at Marshall County Veterans Affairs, or other reasonable venue at need or request. Efforts will be made to maintain a consistent schedule for meetings, confirmation of the next scheduled meeting will be addressed in each monthly agenda and posted with agendas and minutes appropriately. An online or call-in based component may be added as situations or need for a quorum may dictate. If a commissioner misses three unexcused meetings in a calendar year, they can be removed by the Commission / BOS.

Purpose: Monthly meetings are a time when the Executive Director reports on the office operation and a time when commissioners can refer veterans to the office and report on any activities, they were part of during the last month. The commission reviews expenditures, formulate new ideas, update policy, interview clients on appeal, implement new ideas, receive input from local county Veterans, Veteran organizations (American Legion / VFW / VVA) and the public or any other matter pertinent to the Veteran or Commission.

Meetings:

- Will be conducted with an awareness of Robert's Rules of Order.
- Will start at the pre-scheduled time.
- Will be conducted in a professional manner.
- Will follow the agenda.
- Will allow each Commissioner to be involved in discussions and decision-making.
- Will encourage Commissioners to be involved in special Veterans interests or to take charge of information gathering or sharing on Veterans issues or special projects on behalf of the Commission.
- Will end each meeting by giving each Commissioner the opportunity to address any issue they deem important.
- One meeting shall be held annually to prepare an estimated budget for all expenditures to be made in the next fiscal year and certify the budget to the board of supervisors pursuant to Iowa Code Section 35B.7.

Open Meetings Law: Iowa Code: Chapter 21.2 definitions state that a board, council, commission or other governing body expressly created by the statutes of this state or by executive order must comply with the open meetings law.

OUTREACH EVENTS

From time to time the Department has outreach events for county Veterans. The commissioners need to be part of these events as a good visual and name recognition for county Veterans to get to know their appointed commissioners.

OTHER MATTERS

Commissioners must always remember that the Commission is a team and should function as a team. All matters that concern the Commission shall be placed on the Commission's monthly agenda for full disclosure and discussion before any action is taken. An individual Commissioner cannot make a Commission decision or represent the Commission unless such representation is voted on and approved at an open meeting by a quorum of the Commission.

It is also important to remember that the Commission is a semi-autonomous body. This means that the Commission does not stand alone in its operation. The Supervisors provide for the budget, housing the staff of the Commission, physical maintenance of all equipment, telephone service, personnel office, health insurance, life insurance and payroll.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMISSION

POLICIES AND BUDGET

The Commission is responsible for the execution of Chapter 35B, Code of Iowa. The Commission is responsible for the formulation of the Marshall County VA By-Laws and to review the Executive Director's proposed budget along with attending the budget work session with the Board of Supervisors in January each year.

COUNTY POLICIES REVIEW

The Commission shall review all county policies enacted by the Board of Supervisors to determine their effect on the operation of the Commission under Chapter 35B, Code of Iowa.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/ADMINISTRATOR EVALUATION

The Commission is responsible for establishing an evaluation process setting the standards by which the Executive Director is evaluated. This process will aid the Commission in determining program progress and the Executive Director salary recommendation.

DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/ADMINISTRATOR

The Executive Director, who is Nationally Certified, is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the County Commission of Veteran Affairs. The Executive Director has several duties which include but are not limited to, giving direction to the staff, and preparation of the budget for review. The Executive Director is also responsible for attending meetings on matters pertaining to the Veteran and/or Commission, interacting with the public, media, local, State and Federal legislators, monitoring the Commission budget, making policy recommendations, hearing appeals, keeping the Commission informed about the effectiveness of their policies, and social and economic trends affecting the Veteran. Confidentiality and a Veteran's right to privacy is a high priority to the staff of the County Veteran Affairs. Information obtained from or about Veterans will be kept in strict confidence.

Iowa Code Section 35B.6(d) specifically states the following:

“d. The duties of the executive director, employees shall include all of the following:

1. Inform members of the armed forces, veterans, and their dependents of all federal, state, and local laws enacted for their benefit.
2. Assist all residents of the state who served in the armed forces of the United States and their relatives, beneficiaries, and dependents in receiving from the United States and this State any and all compensation, pensions, hospitalization, insurance, education, employment pay and gratuities, loan guarantees, or any other aid or benefit to which they may be entitled under any law”. (S.F. 2134 section 35B.6).
3. Complete and submit all forms required for federal, state, and county benefits.

The Executive Director is responsible for the administration of Service Work and Monetary Assistance, which are the two divisions of the administrative component of the Commission:

SERVICE WORK

The first division is Service Work. Service work is the filing of any and all Federal forms for the Veteran/Dependent to obtain Federal or State benefits. There are hundreds of forms that may be filed. Some examples of the benefits available are:

- Compensation benefits
- Dependency and Indemnity
- Non-service-connected pension
- Compensation (DIC)
- Surviving Spouse benefits
- Vocational rehabilitation
- Enrolment in VA Health Care
- Nursing home benefits

It is the goal of Marshall County Veterans Affairs for 95% of the office staff's time to be spent assisting Veteran's with service work. Service Work is a priority of the office staff. Millions of dollars are received by Veterans/Dependents in Marshall County each month. This money greatly enhances County and State commerce. Once a Veteran or Dependent starts receiving compensation/pension or vocational rehabilitation benefits, it helps to stabilize the Marshall County Veterans Affairs budget.

MONETARY ASSISTANCE

The second division of the administrative component is monetary assistance by referring to other agencies as available. Monetary assistance includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Rent/Mortgage
- Dental assistance
- Utilities
- Food Boxes
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APPEALS

If a Veteran / surviving spouse disagrees with a decision made by the Executive Director of Marshall County Veterans Affairs, they have 10 days to appeal to the chair of Marshall County Veterans Affairs Commission. After the Commission chair has had a chance to read the case file, the Chair will call a Commission meeting, the Commission's decision is final. The Commission meets outside of the monthly meeting for appeals without the Executive Director or office staff of the Marshall County Veterans Affairs Department and at a time that is convenient for the Veteran or surviving spouse.

GRIEVANCE

If a Veteran or surviving spouse would like to file a grievance, they can request a form from the office either by going to the office or calling. Any Veteran or surviving spouse has the right to have the grievance addressed by the Commission. A Grievance form must be filled out within 7 days and then sent to the Commission chair. The Commission chair has 7 days to address the issue with the Veteran or Surviving spouse or call a meeting with the Commission.

APPROVAL OF BY-LAWS

WE, AS MEMBERS OF THE MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, HAVE ADOPTED THE GUIDELINES IN THIS DOCUMENT ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025, AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON _____.

SIGNED:

David Streets, Chair

Randy Kessler, Vice Chair

Bob Grimes, Member

Kevin Huseboe, Executive
Director

STATE VETERAN RESOURCES

IOWA VETERAN'S HOME

The Iowa Veteran's Home was founded in 1887 and is currently the third largest state-owned facility for Veterans in the nation. Any honorably discharged Veteran and their spouse who demonstrates either medical or financial need, and meets entry requirements may apply for admission. The Iowa Veteran's Home is located on a 150-acre campus in Marshalltown, Iowa. The Home provides professional care for a Veteran and their spouse in a friendly environment with a caring staff. The staff of the County Veteran Affairs Commission will assist the Veteran and their spouse in making applications.

IOWA VETERAN'S TRUST FUND

The State of Iowa has established a Veteran's Trust Fund to further assist Veterans defined under Iowa Code section 35.1 as residents of Iowa who served the armed forces of the United States, completing a minimum of 90 days of active duty or who are discharged for injury before 90 days. The staff of the County Veteran Affairs Commission is responsible for assisting Veterans in filing for Trust Fund assistance.

IOWA STATE VETERAN'S CEMETERY

The staff of the County Commission of Veteran Affairs informs Veterans/Dependents and acts as a referral agency in assisting Veterans/Dependents in applying for admittance to the Iowa State Veteran's Cemetery.

- The Iowa Veteran's Cemetery operational standards are set by the United States Department of Veteran's Affairs (USDVA). Eligibility is determined as follows:
- Discharged from "active duty" under conditions other than dishonorably, or
- Died while on "active duty", or
- Served at least 20 years in the National Guard or Reserves and qualified for military retirement pay (or would have qualified except death occurred before age 60). Reserve component personnel qualify if they otherwise served in a Presidential call up during their reserve component of military service. Active duty for training of reserve component personnel does not qualify as active service.
- Iowa residency is not required for burial in the Iowa Veteran's Cemetery.
- Veterans can pre-register for burial determination.
- Funeral Executive Directors are required to apply for Interment (submitted at the time of need).