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David Streets, Chairman
Bob Grimes
Herschel Edwards

MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEETING Regular Meeting – April 7, 2026

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

Roll Call: Present: Streets, Grimes, Edwards.

Edwards moved to approve regular minutes dated March 3, 2026, second by Grimes. Motion carried 3-0.

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

The Commission reviewed the following reports

- a. Budget / expenses through last month's financial report.
- b. Number of Veterans helped, by county and what type of reports were filed to the Veterans Affairs on behalf of the Veterans.
- c. New report from the State IDVA, lists by county number of veterans/survivors receiving VA monies. Discussion of the Stakeholder Report, showing 743 veterans receiving "Live Compensation" with an average of \$1900/month. Total monthly Federal VA March Compensation \$1,717,670.

The Commission discussed the proposed changes to Iowa law affecting State Allocation monies, statewide held claims system, migration to increase mentoring, education and training by the State's Veteran Commission led by Commandant Jacobus' team to assist Governor Reynolds' goal of improving veteran benefits in the state.

Director Report:

1. Coffee & Camaraderie meets on 1st Tuesday morning.
2. Outreach Activities – planning for the 250th year
 - a. Memorial Day 2:30pm at the Veteran's Memorial includes award of Quilt of Valor;
 - b. RAGBRAI activity – the BOS has approved to use a portion of the grounds near the VA Memorial for community-wide veteran support, Herschel Edwards is running point and working with committee representatives.
3. Advertisements for new van drivers continue.

Commissioner Report:

1. Commissioner Edwards is working with the RAGBRAI committee. Rotary is working with RAGBRAI veterans to honor veterans with flag installations.
2. Commissioner Streets is working through VHA scheduling issues.

There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 2:42 pm, Motion by Grimes, second by Edwards. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin Huseboe".

Kevin Huseboe, Executive Director

*The Mission of the Marshall County Veteran Affairs
Commission is to assist all Veterans of Marshall County
and other veterans with their VA Disability Claims*