

**DOOR COUNTY
VETERANS SERVICE COUNCIL
AGENDA**

**Tues, 19 Oct 21
1330**

Chambers Room – Government Center

1. Call meeting to order 1330.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approval of minutes from 13 Jul 2021.
4. Correspondence and communications.
5. Financial Report.
6. Post Reports.
7. CVSO Report.
8. Old Business.
 - A. Fundraiser opportunity.
 - B. 2021 dues (\$100).
 - C. Door County Veterans Service Organizations membership and involvement.
9. New Business.
 - A. Veterans Day Ceremony at Gibraltar High School.
10. Next meeting date, time, and location.
11. Adjournment.

Zoom is Optional

When: Oct 19, 2021 01:30 PM Central
Time (US and Canada)
Topic: Veterans Service Council Meeting

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20 Jul 2021

SUBJECT: Meeting minutes for the Veterans Service Council, 13 Jul 21.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vice Chairman Bob Gamble, Bill Forry, Alan Kintopf, Bill Becker, Joe Knaapen, Deb Logerquist, and the VORP Representative from WDVA, Todd Marks were in attendance. Nathan LeClair, Assistant CVSO also attended.

1. OPENING AND INTRODUCTIONS.

The meeting was called to order at 1330.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Minutes of the January 7th, 2020 meeting were unanimously approved.

4. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS.

No correspondence or communications.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT.

Balance as of the 13 Jul 21 meeting: \$12,540.81

6. POST REPORTS.

AMVETS Post 51 – CDR Bill Forry.

American Legion Post 372 – VSCncl Representative Alan Kintopf.

American Legion Post 527 – CDR Bill Becker.

American Legion Post 72– CDR Deb Logerquist.

VFW Post 3088 – CDR Joe Knaapen.

7. CVSO REPORT.

CVSO invited Todd Marks, the Veteran Outreach Recovery Program Representative from WDVA to introduce himself and explain what services he provides through our office to veterans. Mr. Marks serves Oconto, Marinette, Brown, Kewaunee, and Door counties and assists veterans who are encountering barriers in their lives due to mental health, unemployment, homelessness and/or substance abuse issues.

CVSO reported that the office traffic has been low since the Government Center re-opened, however, the phone lines have been very busy. Veterans are frequently calling to set up appointments to apply for VA Disability Compensation since the VA authorized three new Agent Orange presumptive disorders earlier this year; symptoms and diagnosis of Parkinson's Disease, Hypertension, and Hyperthyroidism.

CVSO shared some of the reoccurring issues that veterans are encountering within the VA, whether it is the health care side or disability side, veterans are encountering many challenges that impede them from getting the benefits they are entitled to.

8. OLD BUSINESS.

The Blue Water Navy Legislation was discussed and CVSO shared that the office is also completing more claims for Gulf War veterans that were exposed to burn pits. However, the VA has not been adjudicating these claims in a timely manner for veterans.

The CVSO reminded everyone that the 2021 dues will be \$100 and asked the post commanders to check with their post treasurer's to make sure that the 2020 dues were submitted as well.

Recap of the 2021 Memorial Day Ceremonies held within the county. Cemetery coordination and participation was discussed in length.

9. NEW BUSINESS.

Fundraising opportunities were presented to the council. It was suggested that t-shirts be designed and presented to the post members to purchase that say "Proud Door County Veteran". CVSO asked the posts to potentially donate towards the initial cost of the t-shirts. Global Recognition out of Green Bay will be completing the shirt order. It was also suggested that the Veterans Service Council host a golf outing at 27 Pines this upcoming Fall.

CVSO asked the post commanders to brainstorm and come up with some ideas on how to consolidate the veterans service organizations within Door County to bolster participation at veterans events. There is a general concern regarding lack of new membership within each post. Commander Joe Knaapen confirmed that recruitment efforts need to be addressed.

10. NEXT MEETING TIME AND PLACE.

Tues, 12 Oct 21 at 1330 in the Chambers Room.

11. MEETING ADJOURNMENT.

Meeting adjourned at 1430.

FOR THE CHAIRMAN:

Beth M. Wartella, Door County Veterans Service Officer.