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December 14th – Official Minutes

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Open Meeting at 12:00 pm

1. Call to order by Chair Rick Landry.
2. Roll call: Bob Whittaker, Al Chaney, Susan Whiting, Roger Stitt, Dennis Cooper, Rick Landry & Frank Beek.

Director: A.J. Welsler

Liaison: yes

Members of public: Bob Chalker

3. Invocation - Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roger/Al: motion to **accept agenda**, motion passes 7 – 0.
5. Al/Roger: motion to **accept minutes**, motion passes 7 – 0.
6. Review Per Diem sheets.
7. Liaison's Report: 1) Question asked by liaison, do drivers report or log the trips. Answer: yes, they do. The travel line item is being swapped with Contract Services line (806).
8. Guests (appointments): None
9. Frank/Sue: motion made to accept Director's Report. Motion passes 7 – 0.
10. Al/ Dennis: motion to accept expense statements (including the voucher log, case files, trip report & burial logs).

Roll call for accepting expense statements. Al – yes, Roger – yes, Bob -yes, and Susan – yes, and Dennis – yes, Frank – yes and Rick – yes. Motion passes 7 – 0.

11. Correspondence: nothing this month

12. Under Old Business: 1) Memorial update: \$8k in the account so far. 2) Donation letters are being mailed to District 10 & District 11.

13. Under New Business: 1) Case #12.19.2023 – Copper heating pipe repair. 2) The “wait time” for drivers has been ironed out and approved by the BOCs. Wait time is now counted after the first full hour and after three hours altogether. 3) Brief discussion comparing VA bulk mails costs vs. using the USPS.

14. For the good of the order. Nothing at this time.

15. Public comments: no comments.

16. Frank/Al: motion to adjourn meeting, motion passes 5 – 0.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Next meeting on January 11th 2023.

Richard Landry, Chairman
Oscoda County Board of Veterans Affairs

Al Chaney, Co-chair
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