

MINUTES OF THE VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMISSION

Monday, July 11, 2016 at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call: Present were Ed Adkins, Leo Lease, Teresa McCall. A quorum was present and McCall called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Perfecting and Approval of Agenda: Adkins moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Rose. All ayes. Agenda approved.

Approval of Minutes from Monday, June 13, 2016 meeting: All present indicated they read the minutes. Lease moved to approve the minutes as presented. Adkins seconded. All ayes. Minutes approved.

Communication, Bill Expenditures and Income: A bill in the amount of \$475 from Hawkeye Environmental for mildew remediation, fans and dehumidification in the amount of \$475 was presented. Rose moved to approve the bill. Adkins seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- a. Grinnell Veterans Memorial Commission Building Campaign: Nicole Behrens from the Greater Poweshiek Community Foundation reported that \$16,511 is in the account there.
- b. City Budget Update: The commission requested \$350,000 for phase one from the city in January. No notification was received regarding a budget as of March 29, when the city clerk notified the chair that notice was published on Feb. 18. On June 15, the chair was notified through email by the city clerk that the budget for FY 17 is \$2400 which is earmarked for building insurance at \$800 and utilities of \$1600.
- c. Tax Levy Vote: The tax levy vote is set for November of 2017.
- d. Keys/Access to building. Releases were provided by the city. McCall noted that she has an attorney reviewing before she will sign.

New Business:

- a. Volunteer Training- It was recommended that anyone who would like to volunteer contact the city offices to sign up for any necessary training. Behrens had noted that ladder safety and lifting would be appropriate training. The commission will look into scheduling a training for volunteers.
- b. Upcoming Fundraising Events- Pizza Ranch Night
- c. Heating /Cooling for Building- discussion regarding making heating/cooling a priority. No action taken.
- d. Patio Area/Park Drainage/Redesign of Surrounding Area- The commission agreed to set a July 26 special session to discuss the issue in detail.
- e. Legal Counsel- McCall noted that she was in private consultation with two attorneys regarding the patio and other issues involving the veterans building, and that other

commission members were welcome to seek out legal advice separately if they wished.

f. Joint Meeting with City Council- no action taken.

Adjournment: Adkins moved to adjourn. Lease seconded. All ayes. Meeting was adjourned at 6:18 pm.

Teresa A. McCall, Chair.