

VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMISSION
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 AT 5:15 P.M.
Drake Community Library

Optional - Join Zoom Meeting

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

Roll Call:

Leo Lease _____ Randall Hotchkin _____ Teresa Coon _____ Eric Hartz _____ Becky De Los Santos _____

1. Perfecting and Approval of Agenda
2. Approve minutes from August 14, 2023
3. Monthly Budget Report
4. Greater Poweshiek Community Foundation (GPCF) Monthly Balance Report
5. Approve bills for payment.
 - Alliant Energy \$37.92 (paid 8/25/23)

6. Consider the following Resolution:

Whereas the discovery of asbestos throughout the Veterans Memorial Building and its subsequent removal rendered the building uninhabitable, the community's work over the past 13 years to develop and implement a plan for the renovation and use of the building has been unsuccessful, the Iowa legislature has eliminated the maintenance levy for the Grinnell Veterans Memorial Building, and adequate renovation funds are not otherwise available, the Grinnell Veterans Memorial Commission requests that the city of Grinnell approve:

- 1) Removal of the Veterans Memorial Building in Central Park at the city's expense and not with the use of maintenance levy funds; and
- 2) The erection of a Veterans Memorial Monument in place of the Veterans Memorial Building, with such Monument to be funded by maintenance levy funds when they become available for such purpose and by donations and other funding as developed by the Grinnell Veterans Memorial Commission in cooperation with the city of Grinnell; and
- 3) The site in Central Park be held for a minimum of three years while a Veterans Memorial Monument is considered and developed; and

4) The Grinnell Veterans Memorial Commission and the Grinnell Park Board work jointly to guide community engagement to consider and design a Veterans Memorial Monument and surrounding area in Central Park.

7. Inquiries:

(All inquiries or comments are limited to two minutes per person and those wishing to speak must be recognized by the chair before beginning – In addition, no action shall be taken).

8. Adjournment:

Next Meeting:

VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMISSION
MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2023 AT 5:15 P.M.
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MINUTES

Attendance: Present: Dr Teresa Coon, Randy Hotchkin, Eric Hartz, Becky De Los Santos
Absent: Leo Lease

1. **Perfecting the Agenda:** Item 2 was altered to include approval minutes for March 27, 2023. Motion to approve the agenda by Hotchkin, second by Hartz, all ayes, MOTION carried
2. **Approve Minutes:** MOTION by Hartz, second by Coon to approve minutes from March 27, 2023, April 10, 2023, April 13, 2023, and April 24, 2023: All ayes, MOTION carried.
3. **Monthly Budget Report:** Monthly balance: \$400,684
4. **Greater Poweshiek Community Foundation:** Paid Funds equal \$502,095. Pledges equal \$102,100. GPCF fees have not been paid.
5. **Approve Bills:** MOTION to approve by Hartz, second by Coon, all ayes, motion carried.
 - Alliant Energy \$36.17 (Paid 4/11/2023)
 - Alliant Energy \$35.85 (Paid 5/18/2023)
 - Alliant Energy \$42.54 (Paid 6/16/2023)
 - Alliant Energy \$40.11 (Paid 7/19/2023)
6. **Review of available levy proceeds and anticipated total proceeds as of 6/30/2024:**
Amount will total about \$534,095.44, less interim costs.
7. **Review impact of House File 718 and its elimination of maintenance levy as of July 1, 2024. Consider the next steps:** Presentation by Tom Lacina as to how House File 718 eliminates the Veterans Memorial Building maintenance levy as of July 1, 2024. Discussion as to consequences and impact as to the future of the memorial building. Discussion of power of the commission to remove the building and to utilize remaining levy funds for a veterans memorial monument in central park after funds have not been used for five years. No action taken.
8. **Inquires:** Several comments received, including as to past fundraising issues and how to best move forward with a monument and approach donors in that regard.

9. **Adjournment:** Motion by Hartz, second by Coon, all ayes, motion carried.

Next Meeting: September 18, 2023



**Veteran's Memorial Building YTD Budget Report
Fiscal Year 2023 - 2024**

	2022-2023 ACTUAL	AMENDED 2023-2024 BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	Proposed Bills list 10/02/23	2023-2024 REMAINING BUDGET
Beginning Balance	\$ 173,465	\$ 402,502	\$ 402,502		-
Revenues:					
002-3.470.2.4461 VM - Grants Non-Govt	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
002-3.470.2.4705 VM - Contribution Priv	-	-	-	-	-
002-3.470.2.4720 Vets Mem - Ins Collections	-	-	-	-	-
002-3.470.2.4780 Other Miscellaneous Revenue	-	-	-	-	-
002-3.470.4.4020 Vets Mem - Property Tax	171,707	131,384	565	-	-
002-3.470.4.4060 Vets Mem - Excise Tax	1,132	1,843	-	-	-
002-3.470.4.4300 Vets Mem - Interest Earned	2,076	1,400	927	-	-
002-3.470.4.4432 Vets Mem - Rollback Rep	4,643	6,629	-	-	-
Total Revenues	\$ 179,558	\$ 141,256	\$ 1,492		\$ -
Expenditures:					
002-4.470.2.6371 Utilities	540	650	78	-	572
002-4.470.2.6402 Ads & Legals	-	-	-	-	-
002-4.470.2.6409 General Insurance	2,979	3,216	-	-	3,216
002-4.470.2.6420 Consulting/Professional Fees	1,111	5,000	6,489	-	(1,489)
002-4.470.2.6428 Misc Cont Work i.e. Fundraising	1,106	-	-	-	-
002-4.470.2.6445 Refunds	-	-	-	-	-
002-4.470.2.6513 Misc Supplies & Materials	-	4,000	-	-	4,000
002-4.470.3.6570 Building Improvements	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	\$ 5,737	\$ 12,866	\$ 6,567	\$ -	\$ 6,299
002-3.910.4.4830 Transfers In from Building Project	\$ 55,216	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
002-4.910.5.6911 Transfers Out to Building Project	-	-	-	-	-
Total Transfers	\$ 55,216	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenditures and Transfers Out	\$ 5,737	\$ 12,866	\$ 6,567	\$ -	\$ 6,299
Ending Balance	\$ 402,502	\$ 530,893	\$ 397,428		