

VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMISSION
MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021 AT 5:15 P.M.
VIA ZOOM

MINUTES

Attendance: Present: Randy Hotchkin, Gwen Rieck, Dr. Teresa Coon, Leo Lease; Absent: Terry Stringfellow

1. **Perfecting Agenda:** MOTION to approve agenda by Hotchkin, second by Rieck, all ayes, motion carried.
2. **Approve Minutes:** MOTION to approve April 12, 2021 minutes by Hotchkin, second by Lease, all ayes, motion carried.
3. **Monthly Budget Report:** Coon reported balance of \$85,549.
4. **Greater Poweshiek Community Foundation:** Monthly balance report of \$1,224,353. Donations from Prairie Meadows \$100,000.00 with future donations or grants from Bank of America and CAT Grant.
5. **Approval of bills:**
 - i. RDG INV#48409 \$9,750.00 (paid 5/3/21)
 - ii. Alliant Energy \$39.73 (paid 5/3/21)
 - iii. Black Electric INV#2705 \$520.70

MOTION to approve by Lease, second by Rieck, all ayes, motion carried.

6. **Consider proposal to hire GPCF to perform grant writing services at a cost of \$2000.00 for an Iowa Community Attraction and Tourism grant:** MOTION to approve by Hotchkin, second by Reick, all ayes, motion carried.
7. **RDG Architects - Update:** Update by Matt Coen included update of design decisions and detail working. He feels bidding can begin this fall.
8. **Consider request by architect RDG for additional compensation:** No action taken. Lacina, Lease, and Coon will discuss and it will be considered at a future meeting.
9. **Consider building renovation issues needing direction:** No action taken.
10. **Marketing & Fundraising Update:** Recent donations by 100+ People Who Care, Tourism Committee, Grinnell College, and American Legion. Hotchkin is having ASI make a thermometer type sign to place at building site.
11. **Prairie Star Update:** no update
12. **Discuss and consider Fourth of July parade participation:** Hotchkin suggested because the commission members are few that a veterans' organization take this up as a project.

13. Consider returning to in person meetings: In person meetings with a Zoom option will resume in June at Coon's shop (511 6th Ave W).

14. **Inquiries:** none

15. **Adjournment:** MOTION by Reick, second by Hotchkin, all ayes, motion carried.

Next meeting: June 14, 2021