



Linn County Commission of Veteran Affairs
April 8, 2019
Minutes

- I. 17:15 Jeffrey called meeting to order. Present: Jeffrey Tronvold, Don Tyne, Rebecca Egli, Gary Schumacher, Kelly Driscoll, and Ray Ropa
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Motion by Ray, second by Kelly to approve agenda as written. All Ayes
- IV. Motion by Gary, second by Kelly to approve March minuets. All Ayes.
- V. Bills Approved by Signature
- VI. Clients
 - a. Motion by Ray, second by Kelly for Jo Bridgewater to check to ensure veteran H108 is in a safe and habitable dwelling. Additionally, Veteran H108 to follow-up with employment resources given by LCVA. If Veteran H108 needs rent assistance for May, the Commissioners would like Veteran H108 to come back to May's Commission meeting.
- VII. New Business
 - a. Director's Report
 - i. Updates on previous clients: Veteran from March's Commission meeting has begun working fulltime
 - ii. Staff updates- None
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. Motion by Rebecca, 2nd by Ray to submit the Veteran Parking sign proposal to go before the BOS. All Ayes
 - b. No additional updates
 - c. Proposed policy on Transportation, Hotel and Funeral Benefits discussed, but no action was taken
 - d. Tabled for May's Commission meeting.
- IX. Public Comment- None
- X. Next Meeting- May 16, 2019 at 17:15
- XI. Motion to adjourn by Rebecca, second by Ray. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 19:19.

Respectfully Submitted By,
Rebecca Egli
LCVA Commission Secretary



Draft of Hotel Policy

LCVA relief funds may be used for reasonable and appropriate motel and hotel vouchers if no appropriate shelter beds are available and subsequent rental housing has been identified but is not immediately available for move-in. The veteran will be required to check out of the hotel and call Shelter Services daily to see if shelter is available. If shelter becomes available before the veteran can move into their identified housing, LCVA will no longer provide relief funds for reasonable and appropriate motel and hotel vouchers for that veteran. In order to qualify for reasonable and appropriate motel and hotel vouchers the veteran will have to meet the definition of veteran and income guidelines as outlined in the LCVA policy and Chapter 35B. Veterans will have to provide appropriate documentation to verify that housing has been identified; agree to sign a release of information allowing LCVA to communicate with the landlord of the identified rental property and local shelters.

Draft of Transportation Policy

LCVA relief funds may be used to provide transportation assistance if it will enhance the veteran's stability. For example, a veteran may require assistance with transportation to come to LCVA to file for disability, use the food pantry, etc. Due to the city transit system having limited hours and limited routes, veterans may be unable to leave rural Linn County to come to LCVA for assistance. LCVA will consider providing a taxi/cab, Lifts voucher, or NTS, not excluding interstate travel for VA facility voucher depending on the time, location, and if sufficient public transportation options are not locally available for the veteran.