

VAC Meeting 4/17/2019

The Veterans Commission Assistance Committee of Sangamon County was called to order by Joe Flemming on 4/17/18 at 7:00 PM at American Legion Post 32.

Salute colors  
 Pledge ~ Joe Flemming  
 Roll call ~ Rose Connolly

\* (e) indicates email

AMVETS Post 61	Sean Connolly amvets.chatham@gmail.com Anne Hofferkamp ahofferkamp@gmail.com	Sean Connolly
<del>AMVETS Post 256</del>	Charles Starks Don Green	Closed
AMVETS Post 94	Ashley	Ashti
<del>AMVETS Post 257</del>		Closed
American Legion 586 Pawnee	Jay Sheedy	Absent
American Legion 278 Divernon		Absent
American Legion 277 Auburn	John Dautel (e) Chris Licht (e)	John Dautel
American Legion 599 Pleasant Plains	Myron Griesheim (e)	Absent
American Legion Post 32	<b>Bruce Oneil</b> <bwojlo1@gmail.com> Gerald Bellatti (e)	Absent
American Legion 274	Paul Bell James Ayers	Gale Kent
American Legion 759	Robert Schotts  Rosemary Connolly (e)	Both present
American Legion Post 809	Clarence Stowe Randy Boschulte	Clarence Stowe Randy Boschulte
<del>American Legion Post 743</del>	David Kuehl Raymond Lloyd	This New Berlin post folded
VFW 755	Eugene Walker Jay Kennerly <jay.kennerly@gmail.com>	Jay Kennerly
VFW 8157	Anthony Bellin Ray Ragan	Absent
VFW 10302	Frank Tyree Mikle Siere	Absent

VFW 4763	Lee Morgan John Mizer	John Mizer
VFW 11463	Kyle Blumhorst James Dunbar	David Duben (sp?)
Navy Club Ship 32	Robert Day Ed Obrien	Absent
Military Order of Purple Heart	Dale Hunter Pete Dowding < <a href="mailto:peter.m.dowding@gmail.com">peter.m.dowding@gmail.com</a> >	Craig Allen
CWV	Joan Garvert Pat Noel Dale Schmidt	Dale and Joan
Korean War Veterans	Need names???	Absent
Marine Corp League	Bill Wollen Robert Earl	Absent
VVA	Emile Bouvet Charles Spener Dale Emerson < <a href="mailto:Yopops1946@gmail.com">Yopops1946@gmail.com</a> >	Absent
AL Post 508	Myron Griesheim	Absent
ITAM	Charlie Palazolo Tom Kelly	Absent

Reading minutes. Handed out and emailed. Approved

The annual and quarterly report for Jan thru today was read Kim and handed out to members. Motion by John Dautel and seconded by Gale Kent. Report approved.

**Old business (Kim's report)**

Kim met with Al Reynolds from the state DAV regarding a van. Our van transportation is falling apart. Have to have 1/2 the money for a Ford transit by 2019 for the county to match the other half. We need about \$15-16,000 we need our half first. It must be handicap accessible. In the past, John Ferrell solicited money. Bill Woollen suggested a chili cook off or quarter auction in March, April or May.

Joe Flemming said we need a new vice chairman to replace Huckaby.

Kim explained use of a new electronic check in procedure for VA.

Ford Windstar Ford Transit van is being sought for transport to VA clinics. connect need 15k and DAV will match funds with DAV logo. Posts can sponsor the van on the back with a sticker. We need to have funds by December. Wiffle ball tournament this summer over 18 event. More in couple weeks more info pending within the next 2 weeks. Will be held Aug 3 at rotary park.

Veterans Day at the State Fair year of the woman veteran.

**New Business:**

State Representative Chappa Via has gotten very active in her new role as Dir of Veterans Affairs. She recently checked out the Benedictine women's homeless shelter. She has shown Willingness to work with us. The women's shelter was supposed to open in October but there were some delays.

Assessor's form for property tax for disability will be sent out soon.

18 May general post benefit at VFW 755

Chatham VFW adult Easter Egg Hunt 4pm this Saturday

July 21, Otis Dunchan Day Event at 809 and have speaker and scholarships.  
1<sup>st</sup> week of June, Kim Banister will be out of the office.

**Next VAC meeting**

The July 24, 2019 meeting will be held at TBD

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosemary Connolly  
Secretary