

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD  
RULES, LEGISLATION, VETERANS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2023

Committee Chair Jack Vietti called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the County Board Room of the Historic Courthouse.

Present: Jack Vietti, Jim Blackard, Seth Welch, Marty Fannin and John Vitzthum

Absent: Linda Ambrose. Vacancy – Bunting

Also Present: Executive Director Alina Hartley, Executive Assistant Jordan Uselding, Finance Director Diane Schwahn, Veterans Superintendent Michael Haerr and County Board Members Mark Runyon and Steven Lovell.

Vietti called for any additions or changes to the agenda with none requested. *Motion by Fannin, second by Vitzthum to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the January 4, 2023 meeting. *Motion by Blackard, second by Fannin to approve the minutes as submitted. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

**Standing Rules Amendment Changing the Executive Committee to Administrative Committee –** The Committee reviewed a request to amend the Standing Rules of the County Board, changing the name of the Executive Committee back to Administrative Committee. *Motion by Welch, second by Fannin to recommend approval of the Standing Rules Amendment Changing the Executive committee to Administrative Committee. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

**Veterans Annual Report -** The Committee reviewed a report from Mike Haerr, Veterans Superintendent. Haerr reported that there are 2,338 veterans that reside in the County and 591 veterans are signed up with the Bureau of Veteran Affairs. Haerr stated that the VAC's three main services are to provide rides to veteran's incapable of driving to the BVA Healthcare facilities, assist veterans with applying for benefits with the BVA and IDVA, and give emergency financial assistance for rent, utilities, groceries, and medical supplies not covered by the BVA or IDVA. Haerr noted the County supported just over \$16,000 in financial aid to veterans in 2022. Haerr reported that the VAC took 51 veterans to 503 appointments in 370 trips to BVA healthcare locations. Haerr mentioned that the Commission Office has two vans, one sedan and one SUV. Haerr stated that both he and his assistant completed the National Association of County Veteran Service Officers (VSO) basic training and have acquired access to the Veterans Bureau Information Management Program to serve as power of attorney to local veterans.

**Appointment: Moon's Point Cemetery – Arthur H. Johnson, David A. Lentman, Robert L. Turner, John A. Allen, Jake Herman and Kenneth Redfern -** The Committee reviewed a request for the appointments of Arthur H. Johnson, David A. Lentman, Robert L. Turner, John A. Allen, Jake Herman and Kenneth Redfern for Moon's Point Cemetery. *Motion by Vitzthum, second by Blackard to recommend approval of the appointments as presented. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

The floor was opened for public comment.

*Motion by Fannin, second by Blackard to adjourn.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.** Meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

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Jordan E. Uselding  
Executive Assistant