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TAZEWELL COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

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Tazewell County VAC Meeting Minutes October 21, 2024, at 19:00hrs Tazewell EMA Building

- 1. Called to Order:
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:
- 3. Roll Call:
 - a. Chairperson: Shannon Saal (AL 44)
 - b. Vice-Chair: Bob Dant
 - c. Superintendent: Steve Saal
 - d. VSO: Jim Chism
 - e. VSO: Matt Eisfelder (excused)
 - f. County Liaison: Kim Joesting
 - g. Attendees: Bob Dant and Bob Hotkevich from AMVETS 169; Jim Wheat from Mackinaw AL 607; Gil Gravitt and Joe Weghorst from Delavan AL 382; Ron Clark from Pekin VFW 1232; Roger Williams from Tremont AL 1236; Charlie Guillians; Creve Coeur VFW 4835; and Terry Stone from the Marine Corp League.
- Approval of Past Minutes: Motion to accept by Bob Dant, 2nd by Gil Gravitt. Motion passed.
- Superintendent's Report: (Steve Saal), motion to accept by Terry Stone, 2nd by Bob Hotkevich. Motion passed.
- 6. Pantry Report: (Steve Saal), 87 Veterans and 187 dependents.
- 7. VSO Report: (Jim Chism), 14 new Veterans, 12 POA's

- Old Business: Jim attended the Safety Standdown on Saturday the 19th, and represented the Tazewell County VAC.
 Nominations were taken for Board Officer positions.
 - Superintendent (4yr Term); After 3 nomination requests
 Steve Saal was renominated by Terry Stone and 2nd by Bob Hotkevich. Motion carried, w/ voice vote.
 - 2. Chairman of TCVAC (2yr Term); After 3 nomination requests Chair Shannon Saal was renominated by Terry Stone and 2nd by Bob Dant. Motion carried, w/ voice vote.
 - Vice Chair. of TCVAC (2yr Term); After 3 nomination requests Vice Chair Bob Dant was renominated by Bob Hotkevich and 2nd by Ron Clark. Motion carried, w/ voice vote.
 - Motion on the floor to close nominations by Bob Dant, 2nd by Terry Stone. Motion Carried.
- New Business: There are many activities for Veterans Day, November 11th throughout Tazewell County.
 Also the Tazewell County VAC has moved, new address is 414 Court St. in Pekin (located in Suite 100 of the Tazewell Building).
- 10. Public Comments: Bob Dant reported the State Amvets had a board meeting and due to lack of funding they laid off three VSO's. Jim Wheat reported a person in Eureka, IL is making wooden American Flags. The stars and flag are hand carved. It is a FSA Project. Cost is \$120 a piece (\$100 for Veterans). Ron Clark from VFW 1232 reported that he made the Honor Flight and what a great experience it was.



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11. Adjournment: motioned by Bob Dant, and 2nd by Bob Hotkevich.
Motion passed.

STEVEN A. SAAL SUPERINTENDENT Tazewell County VAC