

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS EXECUTIVE

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MEMBERS

Michael Shadbolt, Aaron Ricketts, John Saxton, Ted Crockett
301 N. Main St, Adrian, MI 49221

MEETING LOCATION
Chambers

Minutes: Friday, May 9, 2025

I. Call to Order

Attendance: Executive Committee Members-Acting Chairman Ricketts, Saxton, Crockett. Staff- Ruple, Deputy Veterans Service Director; Eschedor, Veterans Relief Service Officer, Along with Liaison Terry Collins, County Commissioner was present. Absent: Chairman Shadbolt, and Sheldon, Veterans Service Director, were excused.

II. Approval of Agenda

A. Approval of Agenda: May 09, 2025

Acting Chairman Ricketts requested a motion to approve the agenda: Motion by Saxton, Second by Crockett to Approve. Votes in Favor: Ricketts, Saxton, Crockett. Opposed: None. Motion Passed.

III. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes: March 14, 2025

Acting Chairman Ricketts requested a motion to approve the Minutes: Motion by Saxton, Second by Crockett to Approve. Votes in Favor: Ricketts, Saxton, Crockett. Opposed: None. Motion Passed.

IV. Reports - Veterans Affairs

A. Service Officer's Report

DVSD Ruple discussed the county Burial Allowance Report, the March and April Report of Activities, and the Department Business Related Meetings and Occurrence Reports. The individual reports have been made apart of the meeting documents.

V. Existing Business

No Existing Business

VI. New Business

No Existing Business

VII. Commissioner Comment

Commissioner Collins provided an update on the Maurice Spear Campus project. The commissioners and administration are working on a 2026 County budget.

VIII. Partner Comments

A. MVTF Updates from Shadbolt

DVSD Ruple reported on Chairman Shadbolt reporting the MVTF reviewed (8) applications with zero from Lenawee over the last two months.

IX. Veterans Relief Fund

A. Review of VRF and PRF Applications

VRSO Eschedor reported that the VRF application (25-003) requested Utilities (\$2,317.71), Food (\$100.00) and Motor Fuel (\$100.00) and the Authorizing Agents approved, totaling \$2,517.71. VRF application (25-004) requested Utilities (\$1,704.05) and the Authoring Agent approved, totaling \$349.14. VRF application (25-005) requested Food (\$150.00) and Motor Fuel (\$150.00) and the Authorizing Agents approved, totaling \$300.00. MVTF application (TFGA-1548) requested Utilities (\$4,135.40) and MVTF approved, totaling \$1,475.00

X. Public Comment

DVSD Ruple: Took a minute to recognize the hard work the VSD Sheldon did over the last few months handling the reduction in grant funding. With the help from the county administration, they were able to come up with a solution to the loss of those funds. To recognize her commitment to helping Lenawee County Veterans and their families.

XI. Adjournment

Motion by Crockett, Second by Saxton to adjourn the meeting at 10:14 AM. Motion Passed.