

Calvin Hall moved the Council look into establishing a Homeless Veterans Fund for purpose of transporting the veteran from point "A" to point "B" and meeting immediate needs, i.e., food and lodging. Motion seconded, discussion. It was felt this too needed further study before it could be implemented. Motion carried.

The committee for selection of a secretary for the Council reported they had met and Joe Novak was first choice. They would meet with Joe on the first available date.

Chuck Godke reported on John Moses Hospital. Governor is promoting a Job Corp facility there and veterans could still retain acreage on the grounds for future expansion of the Veterans Home.

Veterans Day to be held at Minot State Fair, Saturday, July 25, veterans to meet at the VFW at 4:00 p.m.

Time and place for next meeting was set for Oak Manor Motel, Fargo, October 20 and 21, 1987.

Audit Committee reported books were in good shape. Joe O'Brien moved, second by Ray Stelmachuk that the books be accepted, carried.

The Council then adjourned to meet jointly with the Administrative Committee for introductions.

Submitted by,

Milton W. Kane, Secretary

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The National Guard will be involved in road building in Ecuador in the aftermath of the earthquake starting January 1989. Guard is adding units. Units are training around the Country and some units are being shifted around the state. At present there will be no closing of Armories around the State. The slab will be poured at the Veterans Home for the army tank in August.

The Camp Grafton Deer Hunt was discussed. Elmer Ekern explained the application blanks and the dispensing by the County Veterans Service Officers. The hunt will be open to handicapped veterans and if not enough veterans other handicapped individuals will be considered. Dates of the Hunt will be November 16 through 21 with 5 hunters per day. Further information will be available by September 1.

Resolutions from organizations were discussed. American Legion discussed the "notch" baby resolution along with other federal level resolutions. President Bob Evans called for blanket support of all resolutions sent to National Organizations. This was accepted by the Council. Motion by Bob Hannah, second by Victor Hass. Motion carried.

Report on the DD Form 214 resolution to attempt to get the "Home of Record" block put back on the DD 214. Presently progress is being shown.

Report from Commissioner on Department of Veterans affairs. Two new Service Officers in the last three months--Foster and Logan County. New State laws seem to have good effects. Evaluation of the Department completed. New computer station added to the Department. All Veterans Memorial Information is being computerized. Training conference scheduled for Veterans Service Officers for October 19, 20, and 21, 1987.

The All Veterans Model is available for travel to other areas for the asking. Dedication scheduled for Memorial Day 1989.

Report for the Veterans Home by Wayne Terry. Foundation off to a good start. Fund raising campaign to start this fall. Farming operations doing well. Jim Welder will be attending a summer conference on operation of Veterans Home. Per diem rates could go up. This would help compensate for the cost of raising standards. This could require 3 1/2 to 4 new positions. Present members 120; fall membership should go to 150.

Leo Swenson reported on Veterans Employment. One position could be lost in North Dakota in the LVER Category--NDCC 37-19.1 allows the veterans preference in employment and the law protects the veteran.

Milton Sletten, President of the County Veterans Service Officers Association reported on activities of the association. Some county residents are not aware of what the Service Officer can do for them in some counties.

President Bob Evans called for the organizations to turn in their dues. They are: VVA \$150, AMVETS & DAV \$187.50, VFW \$225 and American Legion \$337.50.