Commissioner Thomas O’Neal called the Clark County Veterans Service Commission (VSC) meeting to order at 8:30a.m. on 23 March 2023. Commissioners present: James R. Ryan, Thomas O’Neal, James G. “Grant” Wells, and Ronald Coss. Executive Director Cathy Wood, Acting Director Crystal Baker, and David Mitchell were also present. Bill McGee was absent and excused.

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was recited.

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Grant Wells moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of 16 March 2023 and approve them as written. The motion was seconded by Ron Coss and carried by a vote of 4-0.

**Acting Director Updates**: Ms. Baker reminded the board members that she will be speaking at the Vietnam Veterans Remembrance event held at the VFW 1031 on March 25th at 11:00am.

Ms. Baker advised the board members she received an invite to the Montgomery County Veterans Service Commission to attend their Annual Community Partner Meeting April 25th from 9:00am to 1pm. Jim Ryan stated, “if you have nothing else more pressing going on then go.” The board members also suggested David Mitchell attend as well.

**David Mitchell:** David Mitchell advised the members of the board that the office received a flyer for the Silent Battle Weekend. The event will be held in Marietta, OH. Grant Wells and Ron Coss asked for copies of the flyer to hand out at their posts.

Ron Coss moved to acknowledge payment of the following invoices:

**Other Expenses ~** Mansfield $498.36 for vehicle fuel, Fastlane $11.19 for vehicle wash. Riverdale $118.90 for oil change. Olligraphics $25.00 for business cards. Ferncliff $340.00 for the foundation setting for Thomas Lease.

The motion was seconded by Jim Ryan and carried by a unanimous vote.

**Public Comments:** None.

Grant Wells moved to enter executive session for the purpose of reviewing financial assistance and an appeal. Jim Ryan seconded the motion. Ron Coss called the roll: Bill McGee, absent; Grant Wells, yes; Jim Ryan, yes; Tom O’Neal, yes; Ron Coss, yes; motion carried. The board entered Executive Session at 8:45 a.m. The board reviewed financial assistance applications. The board returned to open session at 8:55 a.m.

Grant Wells moved to approve financial assistance for the following applicants: Jim Ryan seconded the motion.

**Ferryman, Donald,** 315 S. Burnett Road, Apt. 912, Springfield, OH 45505, laborer, was approved for a $300.00 Kroger card for food. Vote: Yes,4 No,0.

**Grapes, Levi,** 4726 2125 S. Tecumseh Road, Lot 172, Springfield, OH 45502, laborer, was approved for $1312.26 to Ohio Edison for electric. Vote: Yes,4 No,0.

There being no further business to come before the board, Jim Ryan moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ron Coss and carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Thomas O’Neal, President

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