Commissioner Thomas O’Neal called the Clark County Veterans Service Commission (VSC) meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. on 20 July 2023. Commissioners present: James G. “Grant” Wells, Thomas O’Neal, Bill McGee, and Jim Ryan. Acting Director Crystal Baker and Assistant Director David Mitchell were also present.

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was recited.

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Jim Ryan moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of 13 July 2023 and approve them as written. The motion was seconded by Grant Wells and carried by a vote of 4-0.

**Acting Director Updates:** Ms. Baker advised the board that she would be out of the office next week.

Ms. Baker also advised the board members that she would be attending the Cross Talk with surrounding Directors at the Montgomery County Veterans Office August 10th.

Ms. Baker received a quote from Flashions to wrap the two newer vans. She was quoted $1,185.00 per vehicle.

**Assistant Director Updates:** Mr. Mitchell distributed flyers that the office received from the Local 402 who are hosting a wiffle ball tournament September 23rd for anyone interested. Mr. McGee and Mr. Wells stated they might be interested.

Bill McGee moved to acknowledge payment of the following invoices:

**Equipment Lease ~** Cintas $120.00 for AED Lease.

**Indigent Burial~** Jackson, Lytle & Lewis Funeral Home $1,000.00 for the indigent burial of Robert Grow.

**Other Expenses ~** FriendsOffice $455.71 for color ink cartridges, Mansfield Oil $930.69 for vehicle fuel, NACVSO $350.00 each for Darwin Hicks and Roger Ward, Flower Craft $89.95 for a plant for Kathy Coss. KOI $489.38 for red van repair, Quick Lane of Spfld. $52.45 for red van alignment, Thumpers Classic Glass $435.76 for a new windshield on the red van, Capital Tire $503.52 for new tires on the red van.

**Travel ~** Corporate Payment Systems $4,066.44 for NACVSO lodging for Ward, Mitchell, and Hicks

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. Bill McGee seconded the motion. Jim Ryan called the roll: Bill McGee, yes; Grant Wells, yes; Jim Ryan, yes; Tom O’Neal, yes; Ron Coss, absent; motion carried. The board entered Executive Session at 8:40 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.

**Harrison, Troy,** 506 Golden Gate Ave., Springfield, OH 45505, truck driver, was approved for a $500.00 Kroger card for food, $1495.38 cash grant to the veteran for mortgage, $75.00 cash grant to the veteran for phone, $304.86 cash grant to veteran for a car payment, $263.02 cash grant to veteran for car insurance, $227.61 to City of Springfield for water.

Vote: Yes,4 No,0.

**Shockley, Tyzhanequia,** 403 Falcon Dr., New Carlisle, OH 45344, stay at home mom, was approved for a $500.00 Kroger card for food, $$750.00 cash grant to the veteran for a new refrigerator. Vote: Yes,4 No,0.

**Snyder, David,** 230 N. Clairmont Ave., Springfield, OH 45503, factory worker, was approved for $231.45 to IH Credit Union for mortgage and $240.00 to Coachworks for car payment. 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 Bill McGee and carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

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

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