

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING OF
THE VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION OF DUPAGE COUNTY
Nov 19, 2025**

Meeting called to order at 1900 hours at DuPage County Complex by Mayor with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor followed by a moment of silence for those departed and those who might be in harm's way.

Roll Call:

Bruce Mayor, James Haley, Joe Craig, Del Miller, Frank Trout, and John Schmitt. A quorum was present.

Alternates in attendance: Howard Goldstein

VAC Staff: Brittany Michor, Emily Barrett, Alberto Rangel Mejia, Steve Fixler

Guests: N/A

Physical Quorum: Yes – M – Haley, S – Craig to let delegate on Zoom attend with voting rights (Del) M/C

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda: None

President's Opening Remarks: Oct 21 – I was at a business meeting with the Israeli Consul General for the Midwest discussing ways to bring in Israeli businesses to Chicago. On Nov 6, I was with Lynn Lowder at a Veteran's Business Project Dinner talking about how Veterans can start their own business. Nov 8 – Brittany and I were at the Marine Corps League 250 Birthday Ball in Crystal Lake. It was sponsored by the Marine Corps League in McHenry County. Nov 14 – I was at Etz Chaim for their Veteran's Service, and I had a POW/MIA table and spoke about the table.

Treasurer: See attached Treasurer's Report

Motion by Haley and seconded by Miller. M/C.

Secretary:

Minutes were read. Stand as published.

Superintendent:

- Budget Status: Budgeted - Budgeted 94.2% Spent 80.5% Under 13.7%
- Budget-Balances attached
- December Meeting, 6:30pm Dinner & Board Swearing-in

Motion was made by Craig and seconded by Haley to accept Superintendent's report. M/C.

Good of the Commission:

Fixler – American Legion Post #76, Carol Stream, Turkey Shoot, Sunday, Nov 23, 0930 – 1400

Miller – 60th Wedding Anniversary tomorrow

Mayor – Mike Barbour is in the emergency room with internal bleeding. He fell a while ago. He is at Edwards.

Michor – Nov 12 – At the William Blair/Lynch's Veteran's Alliance Luncheon and presented about the VAC

I was at Leyden Township and talked to quite a few Veterans from DuPage County

Nov 22 – Naperville VFW will have a Turkey/Prime Rib Raffle

Nov 11 – I was at Naperville's Memorial Hill for Veteran's Day

Nov 14 – I was at the VA Winter Standdown at Humbolt Park

Public Comments and Concerns: N/A**Executive Session:** No**Old Business:** No**New Business:**

Following VAC Board Members were nominated for FY '26 Board Officer Positions: President – Mayor, Vice-President – No-one, Secretary – Haley, Treasurer – Craig, Judge Advocate – Miller. Last call to close-out nominations. M – Haley S – Schmitt. M/C

Request that the Secretary cast one unanimous ballot for all the nominated officers. M – Craig, S-Miller, Roll Call Vote – Haley – Aye, Craig – Aye, Miller – Aye, Trout – Aye, Schmitt – Aye. M/C

Add Aldi Gift Cards to our Operations Program. M – Schmitt S – Haley, Roll Call Vote – Haley – Aye, Craig – Aye, Miller – Aye, Trout – Aye, Schmitt – Aye. M/C

Transfer Funds – Transfer \$493.00 from Line Item #53828 Contingencies to Line Item #50050 Temporary Salaries. M – Haley S – Craig, Roll Call Vote – Haley – Aye, Craig – Aye, Miller – Aye, Trout – Aye, Schmitt – Aye. M/C

M – Haley, S – Trout, to nominate and approve John Schmitt to become Vice President. Roll Call Vote – Haley – Aye, Craig – Aye, Miller – Aye, Trout – Aye, Schmitt – Aye. M/C

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, Dec 17, 2025, 7pm, DuPage County Building 421 North County Farm Rd, Wheaton, Cafeteria, 6:30pm, Dinner, Face-To-Face, Zoom, Telephone Call-In, Changes will be posted

Adjournment:

Motion was made to adjourn by Craig and seconded by Haley. M/C Meeting adjourned at 2022hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

James Haley

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Secretary

VAC Executive Board