

December 10, 2019

**VETERANS COMMISSION  
Douglas County Board of Supervisors  
Monday, December 16, 2019, 2:00 p.m., Courthouse Room 207C,  
1313 Belknap Street, Superior, Wisconsin**

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MEMBERS: Ron Leino, Chair Samuel Pomush Thomas “Butch” Liebaert  
John Robinson, Alt.

**A G E N D A**

(Committee to maintain a two-hour meeting limit *or* take action to continue meeting beyond that time).

1. Roll call.
2. Approval of minutes from the December 5, 2018, meeting (attached).
3. Informational: Soliders and Sailors Relief Fund update (attached).
4. Future agenda items.
5. Adjournment.

cc: Ann Doucette Susan Sandvick Shelley Nelson (Telegram)  
 Candy Anderson Carolyn Pierce Brian Erickson  
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**VETERANS COMMISSION**  
**Wednesday, December 5, 2018, 2:00 p.m.**  
**Room 207C, Douglas County Courthouse,**  
**1313 Belknap Street, Superior, Wisconsin**

Meeting called to order by Marvin Finendale.

**ROLL CALL:** Present – Marvin Finendale, Thomas “Butch” Liebaert, John Robinson, Ron Leino (arrived 2:04 p.m.). Others present – Brian Erickson, Mark Liebaert Kaci Lundgren, Committee Clerk.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Robinson, second Liebaert, to approve minutes from the August 7, 2018, meeting. Motion carried.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Meeting Dates/Times:** Meetings will be held as needed. 2 p.m. time works for all members’ schedules.

**Soldiers and Sailors Relief Fund Policy and Procedure Amendment:** Included with agenda; reviewed. Limit should be put on amount of money and days of service provided for Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP)

**ACTION (REFERRAL):** Motion by Liebaert, second Leino, to recommend amendments as presented to Health and Human Services Board, with addition of \$100 per month maximum and 60 days’ service limit in voice over internet protocol section. Motion carried.

**INFORMATIONAL:**

**Soldiers and Sailors Relief Fund:** \$17,919.58 balance as of end of October 2018. Tax levy amount is low due to amount of donations provided throughout the year; plaque to be presented to high monetary and service hours donor.

**Wisconsin State Association of County Veterans Service Commissions Convention (WSACVSC):** Douglas County ahead of many other counties with commission standards; overall consensus was policy and procedure above statute requirements of commission up to individual county. WSACVSC continues to build membership; ability to magnify concerns and lobby at state level easier with support from one group that involves many counties.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** March 2019 tentative for next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Liebaert, second Robinson, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

Submitted by,  
Kaci Jo Lundgren, Committee Clerk



# Soldiers & Sailors Relief Fund Status

Veterans Service Office  
Douglas County, WI

December 16, 2019

**Veterans Service Officer**

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## Douglas County Veteran Service Office (VSO) – Soldiers & Sailors Relief Fund

	<b>Owner:</b>	Brian Erickson	<b>Objective</b>	The Douglas County VSO: Provide for the relief of indigent Veterans & their families by means of the SSRF and manage such funds as set forth within the SSRF Douglas County Policy & Procedures.
	<b>Measure:</b>	Fund Revenue Expenditures	<b>Key Initiatives:</b>	Provide necessary revenues and distributions in support of indigent Veterans

The VSO goal is to ensure that the Soldiers & Sailors Relief Fund (SSRF) is distributed to those eligible Veterans which demonstrate the need for emergency funds in accordance with the procedures stated in the Douglas County SSRF Policy & Procedures\*.

### Current Plan Revenue/Distribution:

- 2018 Reserve Balance = \$22,247.20
- 2019 Revenues = \$14,525.00
- 2019 SSRF Disbursements = \$12,230.38
- **Dec 6, 2019 SSRF Balance = \$24,592.52**
- **According to DC Power7 Financial Balance Sheet**

### 2019 Revenue Sources:

- ❖ Eldorado Bar Fund Raising= \$6969.00
- ❖ Private/Anonymous Donations= \$701.00
- ❖ Twin Ports Mustang Club = \$220.00
- ❖ PIGS Motorcycle Club= \$4000.00
- ❖ UWS 5k Running for our Heroes = \$2635.00

Variance of \$50.70 noted between Veteran Service Office 2019 Revenue + Disbursement record and DC Power7 reported balance as of December 6, 2019.

DC Power 7 SSRF Reported Balance = \$24,592.52  
 VSO Record SSRF Reported Balance = \$24,541.82  
 Variance = + \$50.70

## Douglas County VSO Soldiers & Sailors Relief Fund - Expenditures

As of: Dec 9, 2019

Amount	Purpose	Circumstances
\$167.52	Internet Bill	Vet looking for work, needed internet for VA Medical purposes.
\$57.52	Auto Insurance	Policy Lapsed, needed vehicle for job interview & family purposes.
\$566.36	Automobile Payment	Prevent Repossession of vehicle.
\$137.10	Utility Bill	Shutoff Notice
\$700.00	Rent	Out of work, fell behind on rent
\$365.00	Utility Bill	Delinquent Water bill
\$655.28	Utility Bill	Fell behind on utility bill over winter months
\$575.00	Utility Bill	Delinquent bill, utility shut off, restored service
\$396.46	Utility Bill	Fell behind on bill
\$395.16	Utility Bill	Fell behind on bill
\$675.00	Rent	Veteran lost job & fell behind in rent payment

# Douglas County VSO Soldiers & Sailors Relief Fund - Expenditures

As of: Dec 9, 2019

Amount	Purpose	Circumstances
\$800.00	Utilities	Fell behind in utility payments
\$882.71	Utilities	Fell behind in utility payments
\$650.69	Utilities	Fell behind in utility payments
\$400.00	Utilities	Fell behind in utility payments
\$451.66	Utilities	Fell behind in utility payments
\$299.80	Propane	Started new job needed propane before winter
\$774.19	Utilities	Fell behind in utility payments
\$545.24	Utilities	Fell behind in utility payments
\$70.00	Auto Repair	Needed car for work
\$74.69	Auto Insurance	Needed car for work
\$141.00	Rent	Caught up on Back rent
\$2450.00	Rent	Caught up on Back rent

## Douglas County VSO Soldiers & Sailors Relief Fund – Gift Card Box

### Note:

Gift Card Box is comprised of random gift cards which are donated to the VSO to help out Veterans. These cards are handed out on an as needed basis.

In 2019 we received:

1- \$10.00 Walmart Gift Card

1- \$10.00 Culvers Gift Card

1- \$50.00 Verizon Phone Card – Awarded To Veteran

10- \$25.00 Kwik Trip Gas Cards – (1) Awarded To Veteran

10- \$25.00 Super One Grocery Cards