## VETERANS SERVICE COMMITTEE (VSC) TOWN OF MADISON October 3, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Committee Members Present: Sharon Schilling, Paulette Lowry, Gary Palmer, Ken Sweet

Not in Attendance (excused): Cheryl Harris, Gary Bent(alternate).

Others Present: Kasia Scontsas, Videographer

Where and When Posted: Notice was posted in the Town Office upper and lower levels and in Madison and Silver Lake Post Offices. Postings were done on March 28, 2023

Meeting Called to Order: 4:32PM by Schilling at Town Hall.

**Roll Call/Elevation of Alternates**: Members present constituted a quorum.

**Approval of Draft Minutes**: Minutes of the September 18, 2023 meeting were approved on a motion by Lowry, 2nd by Palmer. Approved unanimously.

**Public Comments:** No public comments.

**New Business:** - Visibility of the committee – Members agreed to make more use of Social Media opportunities to elevate the visibility of the committee and the work it does. Sweet talked about developing a website and helping to maintain it. He will contact Town Hall about developing a website.

Burial Expenses – Lowry provide forms 21P-534, 40-1330 and 21P-530 which are forms that allow a Next of Kin to file with the VA for some reimbursement of burial expenses and request a marker/headstone.

**Old Business: Veterans Property Tax Credit**: Harris not present to discuss contact she may have had with Mark McConkey. Sweet volunteered to also contact him both regarding the RSA wording.

Halloween/Food Pantry –Harris not present to report on this subject. Will request update at next meeting

**Veterans Day:** Gary will connect with Heather Woodward regarding participation. **Quilts:** Ceremony to award the quilts set for October 28<sup>th</sup> at 2PM at the Silver Landing conference room. We need to invite a reporter from the Conway Daily Sun, potentially Tom Eastman?

**Administration:** No update.

Adjournment and Next Meeting: There being no further business, Lowry motioned and Palmer seconded the motion to adjourn. The committee adjourned at 5:18 PM with the next meeting being October 16, 2023 at 4:30 PM.