**Administrative Services Committee – Veterans Minutes**

**April 4, 2023**

**Start Time: 1125 hours**

**ATTENDANCE:**

* Legislators: Committee Chairman Mullen; Legislators: Standinger, Ciotoli, and Brown, Chairwoman Sauerbrey
* Staff: Michael Middaugh

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

* Approval of March 7, 2023 minutes, Chairman Mullen made the motion, and seconded by Legislator Standinger to accept minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

**FINANCIAL:**

* 2023 Year-to-date budget report was reviewed

**OLD BUSINESS:**

* Recap of March events: Women Veteran Recognition, Coffee Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* YTD agency statistics
* Month of Military Child
* New veterans office is open, planning an Open House for vets and families
* 2 new community partners want to help us address veteran, military & family food insecurity issues: Owego Elks Veterans Committee and LHM Employees Volunteer Group
* Discussed establishing a Tioga County Veterans Trust Fund, this would enable us to except donations and fund raise to provide financial assistance for those in need and conduct public educational outreach, draft policy was introduced and approved by committee to go forward with he project. Next steps are meeting with county attorney to handle legal issues and come up with final policy for introduction to full legislature at work session in coming months.
* Outreach for April:
  + Easter meals for 11 families in need
  + Bowling nights for kids and families at Owego Bowl and Waverly Lanes
  + ETS Sponsorship Program at Ft. drum from April 10th – 12th
  + Coffee Mess on April 21st at Waverly VFW Post 8104
  + Kids & Families Fun Night at Owego Nazarene Church on April 29th
  + Lunch & Learns twice a month beginning this week on Thursday, with Narcan training
  + MHFA trainings to begin in May and run every couple of months during the year

**PERSONNEL:**

* N/A

**RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

* Resolution D32 was approved by Committee

**PROCLAMATIONS**

* N/A

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

* N/A

**ADJOURNMENT:**

1152 hours