Committee Present- Harold Mast, Mary Johnson, Mel Bauman, Trish Torres, John Baxter, Shane Scherer

Staff present- Martha Burkett, Rachel Wustman, Jacob Calvert, Ryan Grams

Public present- Eric Nelson, Mary Sumner

Meeting called to order: 8:30am

Pledge of allegiance: Mary asked Harold to lead the pledge of allegiance

Minutes- Harold moved- Mel seconded, UNANIMOUS

Success story- woman showed up at kayaking trip with her service dog, she was homeless and was trying to relocate to Kent County. Needed money for first months rent and deposit. Was

Monthly impact report: not a lot of change- September is normally a slower month- more money retro came in. \$5,500 for Meijer Food Vouchers. Reiterated \$30,000k for Meijer vouchers.

Manager Report-

Jacob, Reggie, Brad went to VSO training.

Old Business- did interviews for the Clerk II, waiting on reference check

Committee- 7 applicants

**New Business** 

Update- MVAA Grant- Gala was approved, Friday June 11<sup>th</sup>, Saturday June 12<sup>th</sup> will be general public family friendly event. Signage on buses and radio advertisement, equine therapy retreat,

Dental program-had a conversation with 2 folks and they are helping us identify dentists that will work with us. Know of some groups that might match our funding. Also might provide dental care for dependents of veterans.

Billboards- interviewed with 2 companies with packages for marketing for Veterans Services.

TV proposals- all 3stations covering veterans services

Suicide Prevention- reached out to 92 for 22 for partnership

Fall fest- October 25th 2-5

This Sunday from 11-1 Veterans event with Ashley Furniture.

Public Comment- none

Around the table- John Baxter- Ryan grams really helped John with a claim- exceptionally. 9:09am

New activities-