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VETERANS COMMITTEE

December 4, 2014 – 1:00 p.m.

Committee Members: Benson, LaBuda, Edwards, Sorensen and Vetter

AGENDA

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Public Comment
- Opening Remarks – Gene Benson, Chairman
- Commanders' Reports – Veterans Service Organizations
- Director's Report
 - Veterans Choice Program
 - Changes of Representation During Claims Processing
 - VA Electronic Claims Submission
 - Promoting Awareness of the Tax Deductions for Veterans
 - Food Pantry Program
 - "Valentines for Vets" Program
 - Veterans Day Services - Well Attended
 - Homeless Veterans
- Public Comment

VETERANS SERVICE AGENCY REPORT

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1. Veterans transported to V.A. Medical Centers:

	<u>Albany</u>	<u>Castle Point</u>
September	26	198
October	28	228

2. Veterans/Dependents buried in Sullivan County Veterans Cemetery through October 31, 2014

Veterans buried alone.	949
Dependents.	89
Veterans/Spouses.	438
Total burials in Veterans Cemetery.....	1476

3. Contacts:

	New Vets
September.	165
October.	208
	September. 1
	October 5

4. Applications

September.	89
October	73

5. Homeless Veterans:

September.	16
October	16