

VETERANS HOME ADVISORY

OCTOBER 6, 2018

The Veterans Home Advisory Committee met at 1 pm Saturday October 6, 2018 at Department Headquarters. In attendance were:

Georgiann Callaway	1 st Division
William Frangquist	2 nd Division
Roger Schwengel	3 rd Division Vice Chair
Ronald Shapland	4 th Division Chairman
Donnie Houghland	5 th Division

Roger reports that IDVA has purchased the Sycamore nursing home about 2 blocks from the Quincy home and are remodeling it and removing the asbestos. There is an open house planned for October 19 at which time they will announce the new name.

The remodeled home will house the Alzheimer and dementia unit. After the Alzheimer and dementia are moved they will start demolishing the worst unit and re-building. The Federal VA is supposed to fund 65% of the cost. No time line is set for completion of the rebuilding at this time, only the housing units will be replaced. The Administrative buildings will remain.

Donnie Houghland reports from the Anna home. They are a 62- bed facility full with no wait list. They have been without a volunteer coordinator for 4 years and without an activities director for 1 ½ years, resulting in no outside activities for the residents.

They were approved for a 42- bed addition 10 years ago that has never happened.

William Frangquist reports from LaSalle they have 200 beds, but are currently only housing 180, with a 3 month wait list.

The Manteno home houses about 190 residents. They meet again October 20. They have a 3 month wait list.

Department Commander Micheal Carder and Vice Commander Roy Weber visited our meeting. We discussed the new 4 Pillars pin coming out soon. Mike reminded us of his project, The Haven.

Having no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Ron Shapland - Chairman