

Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon

Board of Directors Meeting Summary

October 13 2025

Isanti County Government Center

Members Present: Adam Fussy, Susan Morris, Carol Ann Smith, Arlene Krogh

Members Absent: Gail Genin, Kathy Rostberg, Jim Rostberg, Jamie High, Erin Yerigan

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action
Guest	<p>Diana Miller, the Secretary of Cub Scout Pack 3523 in Isanti, was present to discuss how the Cub Scouts can support veterans in our community. She stated they do at least two community projects a year and are particularly interested in doing something for Veterans Day. Cub Scouts are grades K-5. There are 16 Cub Scouts in Pack 3523. Parents will come with their children to any events/projects and stay to supervise.</p> <p><u>Ideas included:</u> writing thank you cards and/or coloring pictures for veterans at local care facilities for Veterans Day and whenever we have troop boxes to mail; helping with yardwork for a specific veteran or at Veterans Memorial Park; helping with local Veterans Day dinners</p> <p>All agreed this will be a great partnership</p>
Veterans & Service Member Issues – CVSO	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Request for assistance with overdue electric bill - \$416.19 – approved and paid- Referral from MAC-V to CVSO – CVSO attempting to reach veteran- An employee of Bradford Pub & Grub emailed ICBYR about a coat drive for veterans. After speaking with CVSO, will deliver coats to CVSO- Daughter of deceased veteran has medical equipment to donate. CVSO has no current needs. Referred her to the DAV and the Metropolitan Center for Independent Living- The new Assistant CVSO will come to our meeting in November-
Veterans & Service Member Issues – S&FRS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Support 850th ECC for support of their Holiday Party December 6th – more details to come- The food has been donated. ICBYR may be needed to serve the food and have a resource table
Veterans & Service Member Issues – IWP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Invisible Wounds Project requested support for an Isanti County veteran in urgent need of a mental health program. Best program to fit his needs with an immediate opening was a program in Utah. Approved \$2000 for program costs not covered by his insurance and \$1317 for airfare-
Fundraising Committee Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dinner Dance – final bill is in (they donated their services) so we can tally the proceeds- ICBYR was the featured non-profit at City Center Market in July. Check arrived for \$410.50- Rum River Rods Car last show of the season August 20th and Gail attended. Awaiting check- ICBYR Golf Tournament – September 19th tournament cancelled due to heavy rains the day before and parts of the golf course were under water. Adam and Gail created a modified tournament where teams could go to Purple Hawk and play by October 10th and turn their scorecards into the golf pro.- Ten of 23 teams golfed, with one additional team signing up for eleven total. Two teams asked for a golf credit. Over 20 golfers gathered at Purple Hawk October 10th for the banquet and to receive the awards. What a creative idea!!

Fundraising (cont'd)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussed Dinner Dance 2026. We will proceed with the first Saturday in May and a Kentucky Derby theme. ICBYR was selected as the Best Fundraising Event in the Readers Choice competition hosted by the Isanti-Chisago County Star!!
Investment Coordinator report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Report not available
Storage Space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - After research and discussion the Board voted to purchase a 6 x 12 foot trailer for storage of our items. This can be used at events. We will wrap it with the ICBYR logo. Will use funds from the interest earned by our investment fund
Upcoming Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 850th ECC Holiday Party – December 6
Chamber of Commerce Meetings:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Braham Area: Meeting tomorrow evening - North 65: Carol Ann will attend the networking meeting Wednesday. A combined North 65 and Braham Area Chambers meeting
Misc:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MSG Friedrichs is retiring from the 84TRC/HHD. We have a new contact person for the door codes and any other issues - Snowflake Lighted Parade will be November 22. Secretary to contact parade committee to get float ready
Veterans Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Board approved donating \$500 to any Isanti County VFW or American Legion post that has a Veterans Day dinner
Upcoming BOD Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - November 10 - December 8 - January 12, 2026 <p>All meetings at Habitat for Humanity 129 Second Avenue SE Cambridge</p>
October ICBYR Task Force Agenda	<p>Old Business: None</p> <p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Voting on Veteran's Needs <p>Open Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Zimmerman American Legion Riders – Purse Bingo – November 15 - Operation Homefront Toy Collection November 1 – December 4 - Invisible Wounds Project Wellness Summit – November 17 & 18 -

Call to Order: 1803 Chair Adam

Adjourn: 1921

Meeting summary respectfully submitted by:

Carol Ann Smith - ICBYR Secretary