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January 12, 2023

From: Lewis County Veterans Advisory Board (VAB)
To: Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC)
RE: Recommendations

The Veterans Advisory Board members have agreed to submit the following recommendations to be considered by the Board of County Commissioners:

1. Reappoint Roger Morningstar, add Barbara Russell in place of Bill Marshall to the Veterans Advisory Board as voting members. Remove Jan Marshall, Bill Marshall and Frank Corbin. This leaves the Veterans Advisory Board with 2 vacancies and 2 alternate positions.
2. To have an increase to eligible benefits:
 - a. The utility and gas voucher assistance increase to \$500. This increase would start 1 January 2023.
 - b. The rental assistance will increase to \$1,000 or 10% of the rent, which ever is lower. This increase would start 1 January 2023.
3. Expand eligibility for assistance from the Veterans Relief Fund to include General Under Honorable Conditions as long as the Veteran also falls under the definition of a Veteran. This change would start 1 January 2023.

Public Health & Social Services staff will process the appropriate resolution to make the above changes should you approve them to move forward. Thank you for your consideration.