

Veteran's Service Committee Meeting Minutes
Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee Meeting
Tuesday, June 9, 2026
The Crick Restaurant and Bar, 120 N Tyler Street, Elm Creek, NE 68836

Chairperson Tom McCoy called the Regular Meeting of the Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee Meeting to order on June 9, 2026 at 7:00 P.M. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was made available to the public for this meeting and for anyone who wishes to have a copy.

Roll Call-

Committee members present were Stanley Brodine, Robert Harpst, Lisa Mitchell and Tom McCoy. Absent: Richard Bock. Also in attendance was Commissioner Myron Kouba, Veteran Service Officer Matthew Starkey, Veteran Service Officer Kollin Forney, Veteran Office Manager Linda Jones and Office Clerk Amanda Forney.

Notice of Meeting-

Public Notice of this meeting was published on June 4th, 2026 in the Kearney Hub and in accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes and also available on the Buffalo County Veteran Services Website.

Approval of Minutes-

The minutes of the May 12, 2026 meeting were previously provided to the Committee members for their review. Moved by Harpst and seconded by Brodine to accept the May 12, 2026 minutes. Upon roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Regular Agenda-

Moved by Brodine and seconded by Harpst to re-elect Chairperson Mitchell as a member of the Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee for a five-year term. Upon roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Veteran's Service Officer (VSO) Starkey reviewed the budget performance for Fiscal Year 2026 with the Committee. The budget for Fiscal Year 2027 will be reviewed in the July meeting.

VSO Starkey reviewed the County Veteran's Aid Expenditures and potential changes to the Committee. Discussion occurred.

VSO Starkey provided an office update to the Committee. Copies of the handouts are available in the Clerk's Office.

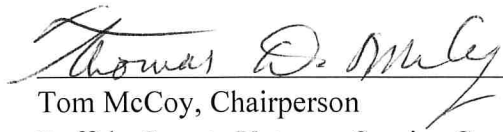
Mileage Claims-

The Committee was informed that mileage claims could be submitted for those committee members requesting reimbursement.

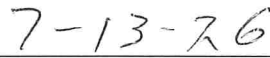
Public Comment Period/ Benefits Questions and Answers-

No one addressed the Committee.

Adjournment- Chairperson McCoy adjourned the meeting at 7:21 P.M. until Tuesday, July 14, 2026 at 4:00 P.M. in the Buffalo County Boardroom.



Tom McCoy, Chairperson
Buffalo County Veterans Service Committee



Date