

Veteran's Service Committee Meeting Minutes

**Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 29, 2023
American Legion Post 52, 1223 Central Ave, Kearney, NE**

Chairperson Tom McCoy called the Regular Meeting of the Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee Meeting to order on June 29, 2023 at 7:00P.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 available for anyone who wished to have a copy.

Roll Call-

Committee members present were Richard Bock, Stanley Brodine, Robert Harpst, Lisa Mitchell and Tom McCoy. Also in attendance Buffalo County Clerk Heather Christensen, Buffalo County Board of Commissioner Chairperson Ivan Klein, Commissioners Myron Kouba and Bill Maendele, Veteran's Office Manager Linda Jones, Veteran's Office Clerk Sue Janssen and members of the public.

Approval of Minutes-

The minutes of the May 31, 2023 meeting was previously provided to the committee members for their review. Moved by Harpst seconded by Brodine to accept the May 31, 2023 minutes. Upon roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Notice of Meeting-

Public Notice of this meeting was published on June 20, 2023, in the Kearney Hub in accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, and also on the Buffalo County Veterans Service Website on June 26, 2023.

Regular Agenda-

Chairperson McCoy introduced Matthew Starkey as Buffalo County Veterans Service Officer (VSO).

Chairperson McCoy welcomed Stanley Brodine back as he was Re-Elected as a member of the Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee.

Chairperson McCoy recognized and awarded plaques to previous members Tim Moninger and Ken Yount and thanked them for their service in the Veteran's Service Committee. Moninger stood and thanked everyone and reignited the good the committee has done in the past for the veterans in the county.

Chairperson McCoy recognized Linn Martin, Board Administrator with an Award Plaque to thank her for the assistance she gave to helping the Committee.

Veteran R.L. the Committee discussed this application asking for \$2,632.69 (Rent, Utilities and Groceries). Moved by Harpst and seconded Bock to approve the requested amount. The motion passed unanimously.


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-

Chairperson McCoy recognized Board of Commissioner Chairperson, Ivan Klein, Commissioners Bill Maendele and Myron Kouba and thanked them for attending and being a part of the committee. Starkey said he was happy to be with Buffalo County and that his goal is to be able to talk to all the veterans in the county to make sure that they will be able to receive help if needed. Many additional thanks were shared between members and various Buffalo County offices.

Adjournment- Moved by Harpst seconded by Brodine to adjourned the meeting at 7:16P.M. The motion passed unanimously.


Tom McCoy, Chairperson
Buffalo County Veterans Service Committee


Date