

**Veteran's Service Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee Meeting**  
**Tuesday May 14, 2024**  
**Board of Commissioner's Board Room, Kearney, NE**

Chairperson Tom McCoy called the Regular Meeting of the Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee Meeting to order on May 14, 2024 at 4:00 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 posted at the back of the Board Room.

**Roll Call-**

Committee members present were Richard Bock, Stanley Brodine, Robert Harpst, Lisa Mitchell and Tom McCoy. Also in attendance Commissioners Ivan Klein, Bill Maendele and Myron Kouba, Veteran's Service Officer Matthew Starkey, Veteran Office Manager Linda Jones and Buffalo County Clerk Heather Christensen.

**Notice of Meeting-**

Public Notice of this meeting was published on May 9, 2024, 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 April 9, 2024 meeting were previously provided to the Committee members for their review. Moved by Harpst and seconded by Bock to accept the April 9, 2024 minutes. Upon roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**Regular Agenda-**

There were no applications for County Veteran Aid at this time.

Veteran's Service Officer Matthew Starkey provided a review of the changes to Nebraska Statute 80-102 and 80-104 as it pertains to eligibility for County Veterans' Aid established by the recent passage of LB 1300.

Veteran's Service Officer Starkey then reviewed the limits for County Veterans' Aid for Burial and Funeral Expenses for Veterans established during the October 25, 1995 meeting of the Buffalo County Veterans' Service Committee.

Moved by Brodine and seconded by Harpst to continue County Veterans' Aid for Burial and Funeral Expenses limits of \$2,000. Upon roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Veteran's Service Officer Starkey did not have any further updates to report.

After discussion of next the meeting location the general consensus was to have the meeting at Stockman's Bar and Grill in Amherst Nebraska on June 11, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

**Mileage Claims-**

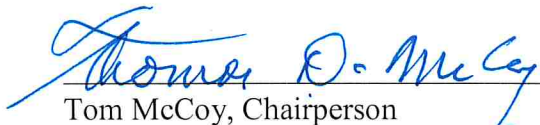
The Committee was informed that mileage claims could be submitted for those committee members requesting reimbursement.

**Public Comment Period/ Benefits Questions and Answers-**

No one addressed the Committee.

**Adjournment-** Chairperson McCoy adjourned the meeting at 4:44 P.M. until Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

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Tom McCoy, Chairperson  
Buffalo County Veterans Service Committee

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Date