

Veteran's Service Committee Meeting Minutes

Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee Meeting

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Board of Commissioner' Board Room, Kearney, NE

Chairperson Tom McCoy called the Regular Meeting of the Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee Meeting to order on November 18, 2025 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, Robert Harpst, and Tom McCoy. Absent: Stanley Brodine and Lisa Mitchell. Also in attendance were Commissioners Myron Kouba as well as Veteran's Service Officer (VSO) Matthew Starkey, Veteran Service Officer Kollin Forney, Veteran Office Manager Linda Jones and Buffalo County Office Clerk Katie Kramer.

Notice of Meeting-

Public Notice of this meeting was published on November 13, 2025, 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 October 14, 2025 meeting were previously provided to the committee members for their review. Moved by Harpst and seconded by Bock to accept the October 14, 2025 minutes. Absent: Brodine and Mitchell. Upon roll call vote, the motion passed.

Regular Agenda-

Lisa Mitchell arrived at 4:01 P.M.

There was no request for veteran aid for the month of November.

VSO Starkey introduced their new parttime employee Miranda Jenkins and gave an update on her process with the files she is scanning into the system.

VSO Starkey presented an office update to the committee and presented the new process that the Veteran's Office must go through to update the digital government system and the complications that are being processed.

Bock left the meeting at 4:09 P.M. and returned at 4:12 P.M.

Correspondence – None.

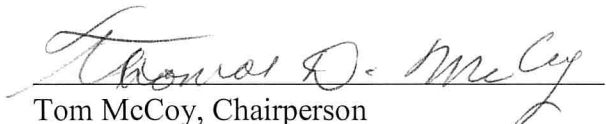
Mileage Claims-

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

Public Comment Period/ Benefits Questions and Answers-

Harpst wanted to remind everyone that the American Legion Post #52 is hosting a free will donation meal on December 6, 2025 from 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Adjournment- Chairperson McCoy adjourned the meeting at 4:21 P.M. until Tuesday, December 9, 2025 at 4:00P.M.


Tom McCoy, Chairperson
Buffalo County Veterans Service Committee

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Date