

Veteran's Service Committee Meeting Minutes

Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee Meeting

Monday, September 8, 2025

Board of Commissioner' Board Room, Kearney, NE

Vice-Chairperson Robert Harpst called the Regular Meeting of the Buffalo County Veteran's Service Committee Meeting to order on September 8, 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, Stanley Brodine, Lisa Mitchell and Robert Harpst. Absent: Tom McCoy. Also in attendance were Commissioner Myron Kouba and Veteran's Service Officer Matthew Starkey, Veteran's 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 September 4, 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 August 12, 2025 meeting were previously provided to the committee members for their review. Moved by Brodine and seconded by Bock to accept the August 12, 2025 minutes. Absent: McCoy. Upon vote, the motion passed.

Regular Agenda-

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

VSO Starkey provided the members with an Update. The Veteran Service Office participated in the Vietnam Veterans Reunion held in Kearney in August. The VSO's will be conducting outreach at the Nebraska Women Veteran's Symposium on September 20th and the Army National Guard's "Haunted Armory" in October. VSO Starkey also provided the Committee with information about the newly hired Temporary Part-time Clerk, Miranda Jenkins, who started

today, September 8th. VSO Starkey will be out of the office for the remainder of this week to instruct at the CVSO Association of Nebraska Fall Training Conference in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Kearney will host the CVSO Association of Nebraska training conferences in the Spring and Fall of 2026. There is nothing new to report on State or Federal veteran affairs at this time.

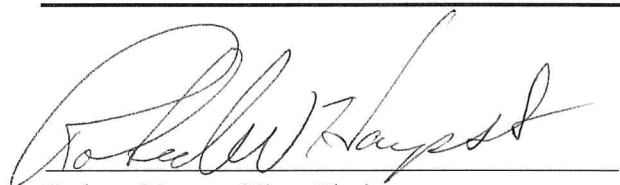
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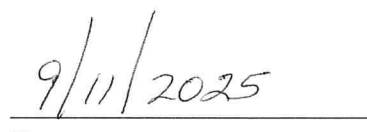
The Committee was informed that mileage claims could be submitted for those committee members requesting reimbursement.

Public Comment Period/ Benefits Questions and Answers-

No one addressed the Committee.

Adjournment- Vice-Chairperson Harpst adjourned the meeting at 4:16 P.M. until Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 4:00P.M.


Robert Harpst, Vice-Chairperson
Buffalo County Veterans Service Committee


Date