

# VA MINUTES

Chickasaw County Veteran's Affairs Commission Meeting

June 10th, 2026 – 5:15 PM

Location: 203 S Chestnut (Garage) Ave, New Hampton, IA

5:15 PM – Convene

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Katy Kuehn called the meeting to order at 5:15pm.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE: Katy Kuehn, Dean Speicher, Katie Boehmer, Randy Nosbisch & Richard Kottke  
Also present were Keith Elenz, VA Administrator of Chickasaw County Veterans Affairs and Andy Boehmer

APPROVE AGENDA FOR June 10th, 2026. Randy made the motion to approve the Agenda, Dean seconded, Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING May 13th, 2026. Richard made the motion to approve the minutes, Katie seconded, Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

## NEW ITEMS

- Review and approve claims –
  - Commission Board \$125.00
  - FX 20/20 \$259.20
  - New Hampton Tribune \$66.00
  - Riley's \$2,527.00
  - Butler Bremer Communications \$44.59
  - Keith Elenz \$36.04, \$21.99, \$165.15, \$78.94 = \$302.12
    - Katie made the motion to approve the claim in the amount of \$3,323.91. Richard seconded, Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.
- Review VA Commission Applicants
  - 1752 Called all references – tabled discussion to the end of the meeting to wait for possible call backs. Ended at 1806
- Updates from Keith – see attached
- Updates from Board Members – none at this time
- Resumed Tabled Discussion from VA Commission Applicants
  - 1843 Katie made a motion to nominate Katy Kuehn and Richard Kottke for continued service on the Chickasaw County Veterans' Affairs Commission, Dean seconded the motion, Roll Call: Katie, Dean & Randy. Abstained: Katy & Rich. Motion carried.
- Recognize guest and accept public comment.
  - Andy Boehmer - Believes that if David Skilton was elected to the Chickasaw County Veterans' Affairs Commission, it would cause a hostile working environment for our current VSO due to situations that arose last year claiming that he would get the VSO fired and Commission fired. I don't feel he would be a good fit for the Commission at this time. I also feel that with two references being on the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors causes a conflict of interest for them to talk about the applicants and vote on them. And also after sitting through the meeting

only the two current sitting candidates' references answered the Commission to answer questions shows the integrity of the references and candidate who applied for the seat.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Katie made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 p.m. Randy seconded. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

- How would you describe their communication style in high-stakes or sensitive situations?
- Have you ever seen them face an ethical dilemma? How did they handle it?
- How well do they align with the organization's values and mission?