

REGULAR SESSION
JUNE 1, 2026

The Board of Nemaha County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, June 1, 2026 in the Commissioner's Room of the Nemaha County Courthouse. The meeting was called to order with Chairman Ben Glace leading the flag salute. Present also were Commissioners Joe Dalinghaus and Jason Koch, County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker, and County Clerk Mary Kay Schultejeans recording the minutes.

Ben Glace led those present in an opening prayer to begin the meeting this morning.

The board set the agenda for today's meeting. Jason Koch moved to approve the agenda for June 1, 2026 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

The board reviewed the minutes from the May 18, 2026 meeting. Jason Koch moved to approve the minutes as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

The board also reviewed the minutes from the May 26, 2026 special meeting. Jason Koch moved to approve the minutes as amended. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

Chairman Ben Glace called for Open Public Forum to begin at 9:15 am. Freda Dobbins and MaryAnn Holsapple came before the board to speak during today's forum. Chairman Ben Glace ended public forum at 9:27 am.

Commissioners discussed the Request for Proposal for the new EMS building with the local contractors present. Con Olson with Techs, Inc. was also present for this discussion. Changes were suggested and made to the RFP at this time.

Commissioners took a short break at 10:50 am.

Road and Bridge/Solid Waste Report:

Road and Bridge/Solid Waste Supervisor Adam Kuckelman submitted a written report advising the board that:

- the micro-surfacing of Old Highway 9 has been delayed due to rain. Vance Brothers will be here the first week of June to redo one mile. When redone, we will test drive that mile to see if it's acceptable and if so, Vance Brothers will redo the rest of the road.
- Kings Construction will begin the road stabilization project of the Bern-Oneida Road this week.
- chip sealing will start Monday, June 1st in Wetmore, then the Wetmore-Sabetha Road, Goff-Oneida Road, and finishing on the Bern-Oneida Road.
- the bridge crew is working on Bridge H-15.

Noxious Weed Director Todd Swart received chemical bids to share with Commissioners for their review. Following discussion, Joe Dalinghaus moved to approve the purchase of chemicals in the total amount of \$46,839.20 from Nutrien Ag as recommended by Todd. Jason Koch seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

Commissioners discussed the Land Development Code recommended by the Nemaha County Planning Commission following a vote at their April 27, 2026 meeting. Commissioners plan to have all questions and recommendations submitted to the Planning Commission no later than June 15th prior to the next Planning Commission Meeting scheduled for June 22nd.

Sheriff Rich Vernon came before the board to discuss with Commissioners the approval of a dispatch agreement with the City of Sabetha. No action was taken to approve the agreement at this time.

Rich also spoke to Commissioners about replacing the fire alarm system that services both the jail and the administrative side of the Law Enforcement Center due to issues with the current system.

Rich also spoke to Commissioners about a grant that he could apply for that would pay overtime expenses for deputies to conduct traffic enforcement.

The board reviewed vouchers submitted by the different departments to be paid this week. Jason Koch moved to approve the AP warrants to be paid on June 2, 2026 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

WARRANTS ISSUED THRU FIRST HERITAGE BANK
JUNE 2, 2026

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| General Fund | \$5,665.43 |
| Law Enforcement Expense Fund | \$2,105.22 |
| Road and Bridge Fund | \$3,075.48 |
| Noxious Weed Fund | \$3,008.40 |
| Ambulance | \$43,336.67 |
| Grant - Work Force Grant | \$540.79 |

Grand Total: \$57,731.99

Jason Koch moved to hold a fifteen-minute executive session until 12:15 pm to discuss the potential hiring of non-elected personnel. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye. Present for the executive session was the Board of Commissioners and County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker. At 12:15 pm, Commissioners requested to extend the executive session for an additional ten minutes. The meeting returned to open session at 12:25 pm with no action taken by the board following the executive session.

Commissioners briefly discussed making the county website compliant with ADA requirements.

County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker requested an executive session with Commissioners. Jason Koch moved to hold a ten-minute executive session until 12:48 pm to discuss attorney-client privileges. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye. Present for the executive session was the Board of Commissioners and County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker. The meeting returned to open session at 12:48 pm with no action taken by the board following the executive session.

With no further county business coming before the board, Chairman Ben Glace adjourned the meeting at 12:50 pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, June 8, 2026 at 9:00 am, however Commissioners are planning to attend the Summer Business Tour hosted by the Rural Development Association of Northeast Kansas at 10:00 am.

SIGNED AND APPROVED
NEMAHA COUNTY COMMISSION

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN

CLERK