

REGULAR SESSION
JULY 7, 2025

The Board of Nemaha County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, July 7, 2025 in the Commissioner's Room of the Nemaha County Courthouse. The meeting was called to order with Chairman Jason Koch leading the flag salute. Present also were Commissioners Ben Glace and Joe Dalinghaus, County Administrator Robert Reece, and County Clerk Mary Kay Schultejans recording the minutes.

Jason Koch led those present in an opening prayer to begin the meeting this morning.

The board set the agenda for today's meeting. Ben Glace moved to approve the agenda for July 7, 2025 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

The board reviewed the minutes from the June 30, 2025 meeting. Joe Dalinghaus moved to approve the minutes as amended. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

Chairman Jason Koch called for Open Public Forum to begin at 9:15 am. No one came before the board to speak during today's forum. Chairman Jason Koch ended public forum at 9:22 am.

Emergency Preparedness Director Eddie Aldrine came before the board to request that Commissioners accept the weather radio grant awarded recently to Nemaha County. This grant is for a total of \$13,075.00 with a county match of \$3,268.75. Ben Glace moved to approve the FEMA Grant through KDEM. The full amount will be paid out of funds earmarked for Emergency Preparedness in the Capital Outlay Fund and then \$9,806.25 will be reimbursed to the county and put back in the same account. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye. These radios will be made available to county residents.

Eddie also let Commissioners know that there will be an Animal Health Workshop held in Seneca on August 13th through the Kansas Department of Agriculture. The public is also invited to attend this workshop.

Commissioners reviewed the updated population figures for the Commission Districts in Nemaha County and decided to leave them as is at this time.

Jason Koch moved to hold a five-minute executive session until 9:53 am to discuss the pay and performance of non-elected personnel. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye. Present for the executive session was the Board of Commissioners and County Administrator Robert Reese. The meeting returned to open session at 9:53 am with no action taken by the board following the executive session.

Health Department Administrator Heaven Schuette came before the board to speak to Commissioners about getting lab draws and water samples to the State lab. Heaven stated that she has worked out a plan with the local agencies to have Stallion Courier provide this service for Nemaha County. Heaven stated that she will draft a Memorandum of Understanding for the local agencies to sign off on as well.

Heaven also let Commissioners know that her employees will be taking an upcoming mental health and first aid training course in Seneca and would like to invite other county employees to attend the training as well. Commissioners agreed to this request.

Commissioners took a short break at 10:10 am.

County Clerk Mary Kay Schultejans spoke to Commissioners about making conference registrations and room reservations for the 2025 Kansas Association of Counties annual conference in December.

County Administrator Robert Reese spoke to Commissioners about the status of the Nemaha County 2026 budget at this time.

Sheriff Rich Vernon came before the board to speak to Commissioners about renewing the contract with Nixle. Jason Koch moved to approve renewing the contract with Nixle in the amount of \$3,796.20 to be paid out of the General Fund for a county-wide text-based information system. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

The board reviewed vouchers submitted by the different departments to be paid this week. Ben Glace moved to approve the AP warrants to be paid on July 8, 2025 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

WARRANTS ISSUED THRU FIRST HERITAGE BANK
JULY 8, 2025

General Fund	\$17,907.20
Law Enforcement Expense Fund	\$738.44
Road and Bridge Fund	\$64,382.25
Noxious Weed Fund	\$14,908.05
Ambulance	\$25,947.50
Solid Waste	\$279.76
Grant - Work Force Grant	\$519.99
Enhanced 911-Phone Service	\$229.01
Grand Total:	\$124,912.20

Jason Koch moved to approve having County Treasurer Janell Niehues see if the county’s overall credit card limit can be increased from \$20,000 to \$25,000 at this time. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

With no further county business coming before the board, Chairman Jason Koch adjourned the meeting at 11:20 am. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, July 14, 2025 at 9:00 am.

SIGNED AND APPROVED
NEMAHA COUNTY COMMISSION

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN

CLERK