

REGULAR SESSION
JULY 21, 2025

The Board of Nemaha County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, July 21, 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 21, 2025 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

The board reviewed the minutes from the July 14, 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. Galen Ackerman came before the board to speak during today's forum. Chairman Jason Koch ended public forum at 9:31 am.

Road and Bridge/Solid Waste Report:

Road and Bridge/Solid Waste Supervisor Adam Kuckelman advised the board that:

- they are finished with chipping and sealing county roads.
- they are also finished with blade patching county roads.
- the guys are grading roads at this time.
- the guys will be hauling rock on the Bloom Road and the Steele Road.
- Tony Feldkamp's last day was Friday, July 18th.
- the wiring has now been fixed correctly at the 4-H Building/Recycling Building.

Commissioners and County Administrator Robert Reece spoke with Adam about not spending all of his 2025 budget due to an overestimated revenue line item in the 2025 budget due to a clerical error in a previous budget.

Appraiser Kerri Koch came before the board to speak to Commissioners about purchasing two new scanners for the Appraiser's Office. Kerri presented three different quotes to Commissioners for their review. Ben Glace moved to approve the purchase of two scanners in the amount of \$2,573.36 from Century Business Technologies to be paid out of the Appraiser's 2025 budget. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

Commissioners took a short break at 10:00 am.

Commissioners called and spoke to County Counselor Austin Parker by phone about the most recent road violations by NextEra, about having mock casino games at the Senior Hub, and about the maintenance and responsibilities of S Road that runs around the old Sabetha Lake.

County Administrator Robert Reece asked for an executive session with Commissioners and the County Counselor. Ben Glace moved to hold a thirty-minute executive session until 10:50 am to discuss the pay and performance 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, County Administrator Robert Reece, and County Counselor Austin Parker by phone. At 10:50 am, Commissioners requested to extend the executive session for an additional ten minutes. The meeting returned to open session at 11:00 am with no action taken by the board following the executive session.

Ben Glace moved that due to loss of staff, he is authorizing County Administrator Robert Reece to do whatever is necessary to complete the upcoming payroll run and accounts payable runs required to be completed. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

County Administrator Robert Reece let Commissioners know that he has made some changes to the proposed Nemaha County 2026 budget, but the proposed mill levy still remains at 40.603 mills. The budget summary will now be published as soon as possible.

Robert also let Commissioners know that he has reached out to Terracon about doing soil sampling near the Pioneer Building in anticipation for the possible construction of a new ambulance barn at this location.

With no further county business coming before the board, Chairman Jason Koch adjourned the meeting at 11:35 am. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, July 28, 2025 at 9:00 am.

SIGNED AND APPROVED
NEMAHA COUNTY COMMISSION

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN

CLERK