

REGULAR SESSION
JULY 27, 2026

The Board of Nemaha County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, July 27, 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 Schulteans 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 July 27, 2026 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

The board reviewed the minutes from the July 20, 2026 meeting. Joe Dalinghaus moved to approve the minutes as presented. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with Joe Dalinghaus and Ben Glace voting aye and Jason Koch abstaining from the vote due to his absence from the July 20th meeting.

Chairman Ben Glace called for Open Public Forum to begin at 9:11 am. No one came before the board to speak during today's forum. Chairman Ben Glace ended public forum at 9:14 am.

Road and Bridge/Solid Waste Report:

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

- Granada and Gudenkauf roads have been rocked.
- he met with Alec Vance and Chris Thompkin from Vance Brothers to mark spots on Old Highway 9 to be smoothed out in the next couple weeks.
- the bridge crew is working on Bridge H-15.

Nancy Gafford with Rural Development Association of Northeast Kansas came before the board to request a signature from the chairman on the semi-annual Microloan report that is due to the Kansas Department of Commerce. Joe Dalinghaus moved to approve the Microloan report and authorize Chairman Glace to sign the same. Jason Koch seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye. Chairman Ben Glace signed the report as presented.

Sheriff Rich Vernon came before the board to speak to Commissioners about underage drinking that occurred at the Nemaha County Fair this past weekend. A discussion will be held with the Fair Board about ways to prevent this from happening in future years.

Rich also let Commissioners know that a new voice recorder has now been installed for dispatch. Jason Koch moved to approve allowing Rich to use \$16,632.15 of left-over radio ARPA funds along with \$20,045.85 out of Capital Outlay funds to pay for this voice recorder. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker asked for an executive session with Commissioners. Joe Dalinghaus moved to hold a five-minute executive session until 10:05 am to discuss non-elected personnel. Jason Koch 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 10:05 am with no action taken by the board following the executive session.

Commissioners took a short break at 10:05 am.

Ben Glace moved to hold a ten-minute executive session until 10:20 am to discuss the hiring of non-elected personnel for the position of Emergency Preparedness Director. 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 10:20 am with no action taken by the board following the executive session.

Jason Koch moved to hold a twenty-minute executive session until 10:50 am to discuss the hiring of non-elected personnel for the position of Human Resources. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye. Present for the executive session was the Board of Commissioners, County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker, and a potential candidate. 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.

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 July 28, 2026 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

WARRANTS ISSUED THRU FIRST HERITAGE BANK
JULY 28, 2026

General Fund	\$15,240.10
Law Enforcement Expense Fund	\$8,489.48
Road and Bridge Fund	\$2,124.67
Employee Benefits Fund	\$77.47
Transportation for Aging	\$775.12
Title III C-2	\$158.76
Soldier Creek Windfarm	\$438,554.06
Grand Total:	\$465,419.66

With no further county business coming before the board, Chairman Ben Glace adjourned the meeting at 11:28 am. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, August 3, 2026 at 9:00 am.

SIGNED AND APPROVED
NEMAHA COUNTY COMMISSION

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN

CLERK