

REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

The Board of Nemaha County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, September 15, 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 Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker, 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 September 15, 2025 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

The board reviewed the minutes from the September 8, 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. Ed Meyer and Brian Haverkamp came before the board to speak during today's forum. Chairman Jason Koch ended public forum at 10:25 am.

Jason Koch moved to withdraw the authorization to purchase \$90,000 of dump trucks from last week's meeting. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

Road and Bridge/Solid Waste Report:

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

- he has a bid for a new bed to put on an existing dump truck that he shared with Commissioners. Ben Glace moved to acquire a replacement dump truck bed, salt spreader, and lights for up to \$40,000 and dispose of the old bed at a potential future auction. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye. This cost is to be paid out of the Special Machinery Fund.
- he has bids for two used pickups that he shared with Commissioners. Jason Koch moved to approve the purchase of two 2022 Dodge Ram 1500 pickups in an amount of \$54,200 subject to Adam's approval. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with Jason Koch and Ben Glace voting aye and Joe Dalinghaus voting nay. This cost is to be paid out of the Special Machinery Fund as well as from funds acquired from selling three used pickups.
- he received a right of way easement request from Robert Rottinghaus for installation of an irrigation pond. Jason Koch moved to approve the right of way easement request and authorize Commissioners to sign the request. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye. Commissioners signed the request form as presented.
- NextEra is wanting to change the haul route in the county. Ben Glace moved to deny approval for a change in the Soldier Creek heavy haul route due to bridge load issues. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker recommended that Commissioners approve the purchase of computer equipment for the Appraiser's Office. Ben Glace moved to approve Quote #2180 from LockIt Technologies for the purchase of a computer, two monitors, a keyboard, and a mouse in the amount of \$1,488.10. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

Sheriff Rich Vernon came before the board to let Commissioners know that they had another deer hit with a patrol vehicle. Jason Koch moved to authorize the payment of \$3,698 out of Capital Outlay Funds earmarked for the Sheriff's Office for repairs to a truck following a deer hit. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

County Attorney Brad Lippert came before the board to request the purchase of a new computer out of Capital Outlay Funds earmarked for Diversion. Jason Koch moved to approve the

purchase of a new computer from LockIt Technologies in an amount not to exceed \$1,025. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

Brad also spoke to Commissioners about the handling of juvenile cases and child in need of care cases after the end of this year. Commissioners advised Brad that they have not fully decided how they want to handle these cases in 2026 at this time.

Joe Dalinghaus moved to hold a fifteen-minute executive session until 12:17 pm 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 Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker. At 12:17 pm, Commissioners requested to extend the executive session for an additional ten minutes. At 12:27 pm, Commissioners requested to extend the executive session for an additional five minutes. The meeting returned to open session at 12:32 pm with no action taken by the board following the executive session.

County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker let Commissioners know that his trip to Hutchinson last week went well, but he does not feel that the county is ready to take bids at this time for the construction of an EMS building. Austin spoke to Commissioners about his plans moving forward for the Road and Bridge Department and about what he plans to discuss with Department Heads during this afternoon’s meeting.

Jason Koch moved to hold a five-minute executive session until 12:57 pm for client-attorney 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 12:57 pm 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 September 16, 2025 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

WARRANTS ISSUED THRU FIRST HERITAGE BANK
SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

General Fund	\$26,061.22
Law Enforcement Expense Fund	\$12,981.31
Road and Bridge Fund	\$164,400.17
Noxious Weed Fund	\$10,584.60
Employee Benefits Fund	\$15.00
Election Fund	\$143.54
Ambulance	\$27,162.50
Transportation for Aging	\$5,312.25
Title III C-1	\$1,465.88
Title III C-2	\$12,094.33
Solid Waste	\$10,472.21
Grant - Work Force Grant	\$519.99
Cell Phones-e911	\$118.31
Enhanced 911-Phone Service	\$1,314.47
Grand Total:	\$272,645.78

With no further county business coming before the board, Chairman Jason Koch adjourned the meeting at 1:33 pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, September 22, 2025 at 9:00 am.

SIGNED AND APPROVED
NEMAHA COUNTY COMMISSION

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN

CLERK