

REGULAR SESSION
NOVEMBER 10, 2025

The Board of Nemaha County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, November 10, 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 November 10, 2025 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

The board reviewed the minutes from the November 3, 2025 meeting. Joe Dalinghaus moved to approve the minutes as presented. Jason Koch seconded the motion. The motion carried with Joe Dalinghaus and Jason Koch voting aye. Ben Glace abstained from the vote due to his absence from the November 3rd meeting.

Chairman Jason Koch called for Open Public Forum to begin at 9:15 am. Dave McCoy came before the board to speak during today's forum. Chairman Jason Koch ended public forum at 9:21 am.

Road and Bridge/Solid Waste Report:

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

- salt and sand have been hauled to the Seneca location to replenish the stockpile for this winter.
- 56th Road is being rocked.
- roads are being bladed.
- roadsides are being mowed.
- closed bids for the micro-surface project on Old 9 are due Friday, November 14th and will be opened at the November 17th Board of County Commissioners meeting.
- the Department of Labor will be here to inspect on Wednesday, November 12th.
- the turbo went out of Truck #1. Adam presented bids to Commissioners for aftermarket turbos. Joe Dalinghaus moved to purchase a turbo from Hammes Repair for \$4,550 for Truck #1. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.
- the county has been using Elite Engineering to do bridge inspections. Adam would like to continue to use this company to do bridge inspections and also to do load ratings. Commissioners were in agreeance with this.

Commissioners took a short break at 10:00 am.

Senior Services/Public Transit Director Marie Weaver came before the board. Ben Glace moved to authorize the Commission to sign a letter of commitment to KDOT for local matching grant funds. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye. Commissioners signed the letter as presented.

Ben Glace moved to authorize the reimbursement from the Step Foundation and the Sabetha Foundation in a total amount of \$12,876.58. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye. Commissioners signed the reimbursement of funds form as presented.

Amber Bletscher with Saylor Insurance Services came before the board to further discuss options concerning potential alternatives to the County's current health insurance structure that would maximize benefits to employees. Joe Dalinghaus moved to approve renewals with Aetna at stated rates and add Surrency as the Cobra Administrator for 2026. Ben Glace seconded the motion. Ben Glace commented that the County Administrator will be working with Amber concerning options for 2027. The motion carried with all voting aye.

Joe Dalinghaus moved to approve renewal of Delta Dental and vision insurance options with Drew Olberding for 2026. Ben Glace seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

Emergency Preparedness Director Eddie Aldrine came before the board to further discuss the grant opportunity for the purchase of a UTV with grant money. Eddie obtained quotes for the purchase of a UTV that he shared with Commissioners. Eddie recommended purchasing a 2026 Polaris Ranger from Duffer’s Repair & Supply. Ben Glace moved to allow Eddie to accept the grant from Homeland Security in the amount of \$40,000 for a UTV and trailer. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. Ben Glace stated that this grant is solely for a UTV and trailer and the grant covers 100 % of the cost except for insurance and maintenance. The Northeast Kansas Homeland Security Regional Council will be in charge of choosing the vendor for the UTV. The motion carried with Ben Glace and Joe Dalinghaus voting aye and Jason Koch voting nay.

Commissioners, County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker, and Emergency Preparedness Director Eddie Aldrine discussed potential next steps concerning the building of an EMS facility.

County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker stated that he needs to meet with Stephanie from LockIt Technologies to review the renewal of the LockIt Managed Services Addendum before Commissioners approve the renewal.

Commissioners and County Counselor/County Administrator Austin Parker discussed a proposed Procurement Policy for the county. Commissioners suggested changes that they would like made to the policy before it is approved. Ben Glace moved to approve the Procurement Policy Summary Highlights and Procurement Policy as amended. Joe Dalinghaus 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 November 12, 2025 as presented. Joe Dalinghaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all voting aye.

WARRANTS ISSUED THRU FIRST HERITAGE BANK
NOVEMBER 12, 2025

General Fund	\$8,843.46
Law Enforcement Expense Fund	\$5,551.86
Road and Bridge Fund	\$18,968.73
Noxious Weed Fund	\$2,137.50
Ambulance	\$31,995.00
Enhanced 911-Phone Service	\$589.41
Grand Total:	\$68,085.96

Commissioners left the meeting room at 11:45 am to visit the proposed site of the new EMS building near the Pioneer Building.

With no further county business coming before the board, Chairman Jason Koch adjourned the meeting at 12:15 pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, November 17, 2025 at 9:00 am.

SIGNED AND APPROVED
NEMAHA COUNTY COMMISSION

ATTEST:

CHAIRMAN

CLERK