

June 3, 2025

County of Nemaha, Nebraska BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**Commissioner's Chambers
Nemaha County Courthouse, Suite 201
1824 N St Auburn NE**

- 8:00 a.m. Call meeting to order by Chairman
 Pledge of Allegiance
 Open Meeting Laws
 Approval of Agenda
 Approval of meeting minutes – May 21, 2025
 Action/Approval of claims
- 9:00 a.m. Open Public Discussion
- 9:30 a.m. Marty Fattig – Nemaha County Hospital Quarterly
- 10:00 a.m. Board of Equalization

Executive Session *

Discussion/Action – Business

1. Approve and sign the Child Support Enforcement Contract with Kraviec Maurstad Law
2. Accept the resignation of Lacee Noa from the Nemaha County Planning Commission
3. Discuss the appointment on the Nemaha County Planning Commission
4. Approve the Planning Commission By-Laws
5. Approve and sign ROW 2025-10 for OPPD located at 634 Ave & 721 Road
6. Discuss and approve new Right of Way applications and fees
7. Approve the Road Weed Superintendent as a full-time position with benefits – Justus Walters
8. Discuss Weed & Brush Control County Road ROW Policy
9. Re-appoint Rick Moore to the Veterans Service Board
10. Sign Quit Claim Deed from Nemaha County to City of Peru
11. Approve Nemaha County Insurance Renewal FY 2025-2026 with NIRMA
12. Add new fund to the FY 2025-2026 Budget & add new function for the General Budget for Planning & Zoning

Discussion/Action - Unfinished Business

1. NEMA subrecipient monitoring response for Disaster/Grant #DR-4822 (2019 Floods)

Discussion/Action - Buildings/Grounds/Property

1. Update on Unite Internet install
2. Update on Security Camera/Phone System

Discussion/Action - Equipment/Office Equipment/Vehicles/Furniture

Discussion/Action - Highway Superintendent

1. Approve the Driveway Agreement for Nickalex Properties LLC located at 642 Ave, just South of S Road
2. Road Mechanic position
3. Approve the Annual Dust Control Permit

County Officials Reports/Correspondence/Reminders

1. Veterans Service Office - Status Report for May, 2025

Adjournment

County Board of Commissioners of the County of Nemaha, State of Nebraska met on Tuesday, June 3, 2025, Commissioner's Chambers, Nemaha County Courthouse, Auburn, NE for a regular scheduled meeting. Notice of meeting was published weekly in the Nemaha County Herald. The agenda for the meeting was kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Nemaha County Clerk during normal business hours and also on the Nemaha County website. (www.nemahacounty.ne.gov). The agenda was held open until one business day prior to the meeting for appearance before the board and items for approval by the Board of Commissioners. The Board of Commissioners has the right to modify the agenda to include items of an emergency nature only at such public meeting.

Chairman Weiss called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present for the Meeting: Mike Hall, Commissioner District #1; Bryan Melage, Commissioner District #2; Michael Weiss, Commissioner District #3; and County Clerk Diane Johnson. Chairman Weiss noted the Open Meeting Laws posted on the bulletin board located in the Commissioner's room.

Approval of Agenda – Motion by Hall, seconded by Melage to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Melage, aye; Weiss, aye.

Approval of Minutes – Motion by Melage, seconded by Hall to approve the May 21, 2025 minutes as presented with no corrections. Roll call vote: Melage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.

Claims – Motion by Hall, seconded by Melage to approve the accounts payable claims as presented by the County Clerk and authorize for payment by the Board of Commissioners. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Melage, aye.

9:00 a.m. Open Public Discussion

9:30 a.m. Marty Fattig – Nemaha County Hospital Fiscal Year End Report

10:00 a.m. Sine Die for Board of Equalization reconvened at 10:10 a.m.

Executive Session *

Discussion/Action – Business

1. Approve and sign the Child Support Enforcement Contract with Kraviec Maurstad Law – Motion by Hall, seconded by Melage to approve and sign the Child Support Enforcement Contract with Kraviec Maurstad Law, P.C., L.L.O., and Laura R. Marstad, Attorney. “Authorized Attorney’s” fee being \$24,000.00, payable at the rate of \$2,000.00 per month during the term beginning July 1, 2025 through June 30th 2028. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Melage, aye.

2. Accept the resignation of Lacey Noa from the Nemaha County Planning Commission – Motion by Hall, seconded by Melage to accept the resignation of Lacey Noa from the Nemaha County Planning Commission. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Melage, aye; Weiss, aye.

3. Discuss the appointment on the Nemaha County Planning Commission – will discuss more at the next meeting.

4. Approve the Planning Commission By-Laws – Motion by Melage, seconded by Hall to approve the Nemaha County, Nebraska Planning Commission By-Laws. Roll call vote: Melage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.

5. Approve and sign ROW 2025-10 for OPPD located at 634 Ave & 721 Road – Motion by Weiss, seconded by Hall to approve and sign the Right of Way Permit #2025-10 for OPPD located at 634 Ave & 721 Road. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Melage, aye.

6. Discuss and approve new Right of Way applications and fees – will discuss more at the next meeting.

7. Approve the Road Weed Superintendent as a full-time position with benefits – Justus Walters.

Motion by Melage to dismiss Justus Walters as a full-time Road Weed Superintendent; died due to the lack of a second motion.

Motion by Weiss, seconded by Hall to approve the Road Weed Superintendent, Justus Walters, as a full-time position with benefits. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, nay; Weiss, aye.

8. Discuss Weed & Brush Control County Road ROW Policy – will discuss more at the next meeting.

9. Re-appoint Rick Moore to the Veterans Service Board – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to re-appoint Rick Moore to the Nemaha County Veterans Service Board, a 5-year term. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.

10. Sign Quit Claim Deed from Nemaha County to City of Peru – Motion by Hall, seconded by Mellage to sign a Quit Claim Deed from Nemaha County Real Estate Property to the City of Peru, Nemaha County, Nebraska. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Mellage, aye.

11. Approve Nemaha County Insurance Renewal FY 2025-2026 with NIRMA – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to approve the Nemaha County Insurance Renewal FY 2025-2026 with NIRMA with a 9.6 percent increase from last year. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.

12. Add new funds to the FY 2025-2026 Budget & add new function for the General Budget for Planning & Zoning. Treasurer Gerdes requested a new fund for the EMA with rehab unit, Veterans aid, and Veterans Memorial to aid in tracking purposes and budgeting. A resolution will be signed at the next meeting.

Discussion/Action - Unfinished Business

1. NEMA subrecipient monitoring response for Disaster/Grant #DR-4822 (2019 Floods) – The Commissioners prepared a Letter of response for Disaster/Grant #DR-4822 (2019 Floods) and emailed it to Kalin Foster, Federal Aid Administrator II/Recovery of NEMA.

Discussion/Action - Buildings/Grounds/Property

1. Update on Unite Internet install – the underground install is currently in process.
2. Update on Security Camera/Phone System – Sheriff asked for a Tech committee to be formed.

Discussion/Action - Equipment/Office Equipment/Vehicles/Furniture

Discussion/Action - Highway Superintendent

1. Approve the Driveway Agreement for Nickalex Properties LLC located at 642 Ave, just South of S Road – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to approve the Driveway Agreement for Nickalex Properties LLC located at 642 Ave, just South of S Road. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.

2. Road Mechanic position - Motion by Hall, seconded by Mellage to enter Executive Session at 8:20 a.m. to discuss Evaluation of the job performance of a person when necessary to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye. Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to Leave Executive Session at 9:10 a.m. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye. No formal action taken.

3. Approve the Annual Dust Control Permit – Motion by Hall, seconded by Mellage to approve and use the Annual Dust Control Permit for the use of dust control product on Nemaha County Roads. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Mellage, aye.

County Officials Reports/Correspondence/Reminders

1. Veterans Service Office - Status Report for May, 2025

The following claims were approved for payment by the Board of Commissioners and authorized the County Clerk for payment:

General

Salaries	\$74,860.02
Action Technologies	2,572.00
American Recycling	1,306.11
APACE	120.00
AT&T	516.48
Aub Auto Ctr.	1,916.38
Aub Newspaper	657.91
Bennett's Fire Protection	134.50
Board of Public Works	2,981.10
Casey's Card	142.75
Critser, Jennifer	467.12
Culligan	152.60
DAS	658.62
EI Portal	234.95
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Merwin	1,786.00
Great West Life	50.00
Handley Law	503.50
Kraviec Maurstad Law	1,503.65
Lempka, Mallory	604.24
Longs Creek	1,379.00
Lynch's Hardware	89.97
Matthew Bender & Co.	142.43
MIPS	1,395.86
Motorola	18,314.53
NE Auditor of Public Accts.	19,996.67
NE Forest Svc.	162.08
Nem Co Clerk of Dist. Court	290.00
Nem Co Court Justice	324.00
Nem Co Tax, ret	12,636.12
Nem Co Tax, ss, fwh	23,331.69
Nem Co Tax, annt	75.00
Olowolafe Law	5,000.00
OPPD	53.01
Paper Tiger	115.00
Pinpoint	575.90
Quill	2,554.82
Rowell, Jeff	52.72
Sack Lumber	6.00
Sapp Bros.	4,213.33
Spotted Cow Catering	306.00
Tri-Point Tree & Landscaping	1,170.00
UNL Extension	460.67
US Bank	8,205.60
Vanguard	2,200.00
Verizon	916.58

Road

Salaries	\$21,651.86
A Street Auto	52.67
AKRS	864.68
American Recycling	185.51
Beard's Salvage	8.00
Board of Public Works	534.74
Eggers Bros.	400.41
Farm & City Supply	492.97
Graham Tire	2,058.84
Holthus, Jim	150.00
Hotsy Equipment	29.66
Koch's Auto	85.50
Lempka, Mallory	23.40

Martin Marietta	47,326.18
Midwest Svc. & Sales	630.00
NE Child Support Ctr.	229.50
Nem Co Tax, ret	3,246.64
Nem Co Tax, ss, fwh	6,359.98
NMC	3,916.40
Precision Diesel	1,622.94
Sack Lumber	97.98
Sapp Bros.	17,440.15
Sioux City Truck	41.16
TIFCO	484.69
Tractor Supply	256.78
US Bank	150.25
Verizon	80.62
Wamsley, Donald	107.44
Weldon Parts	292.60
Road Equipment Fund	
Dept. of Correctional Svcs.	18,5000.00
Register of Deeds Preservation & Mod. Fund	
MIPS	402.03
Inheritance Tax Fund	
Marvin Planning	1,630.00
911 Emergency Management Fund	
Verizon	42.94
911 Wireless Service Fund	
US Bank	3,200.00
911 Wireless Service Holding Fund	
CenturyLink	2,826.50
Charter Communications	109.99
Jail Commissary Fund	
US Bank	48.00

With no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, motion by Weiss, seconded by Hall to adjourn at 11:35 a.m. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.

I, Diane Johnson, the undersigned County Clerk of Nemaha County, Nebraska do hereby certify the foregoing minutes are true and are a part of the official records of this office. A complete copy of the minutes is available during normal business hours at the Nemaha County Clerk's office or on the Nemaha County's website: www.nemahacounty.ne.gov.

Diane Johnson
County Clerk