

August 27, 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 – August 13, 2025
Action/Approval of claims
- 8:30 a.m. Discuss Road District #2 Equipment Maintenance
- 9:00 a.m. Open Public Discussion
- 9:30 a.m. Phone System review of sealed proposals for the Nemaha County Courthouse/Law Enforcement Building
- 9:45 a.m. Justus Walters – Weed Superintendent – Review job performance – public concerns
- 10:00 a.m. Dan Alexander – Midwest Engineering Inc – discuss future projects

Executive Session *

Discussion/Action – Business

1. Fuel Bids for September 2025
2. Review 2025/2026 Budget for Nemaha County – Public hearing date of September 10th – adoption date of September 24th
3. Adopt Resolution #2025-16 Final Allocation of Levy for Ag Society and Fire Districts
4. Approve the 2025 Inventories of County Officials, Appointed Directors
5. Review and approve the bids for the Scrap Tire Collection Grant to be held in 2026
6. Adopt Resolution #2025-17 Review & Approval of FTA Section 5310 Capital Grant Application for Veterans Van
7. Review and sign letter to NEMA to report action plan of FEMA disaster 4225
8. Approve and appointment of Nahum Winder as Assistant EMA Director which is fulltime and with benefits
9. Adopt Resolution #2025-18 subdivision for David & Susan Piper located in Sec 22 T6N R13E
10. Adopt Resolution #2025-19 Disaster Declaration August Storms
11. Discuss Pay increase for current Nemaha County Employee

Discussion/Action - Unfinished Business

1. Current status of Sec 28 T5N R13E Dunekacke Property/Keith Bohling

Discussion/Action - Buildings/Grounds/Property

1. Replacement of the current secured drop box located at the Courthouse

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

1. Replacement of Road District #2 1989 Cornhusker Rock Pup Trailer
2. Declaring 2014 White Chevrolet Tahoe used by the Veterans Service Office as surplus
3. Declaring the 2016 Chevrolet Crew Cab Pickup from Sheriff's Department as surplus
4. Transfer Equipment #305 Pickup to different road district

Discussion/Action - Highway Superintendent

1. Current status of the Magellan Pipeline and 646 Ave/722 Road Nemaha – covering pipeline
2. Driveway Agreement for Shawn Peck located on 725 Road Auburn
3. Discuss the replacement of Bridge C006423450 located on 722 Road East of 650 Avenue

County Officials Reports/Correspondence/Reminders

Adjournment

County Board of Commissioners of the County of Nemaha, State of Nebraska met on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, Commissioner's Chambers, Nemaha County Courthouse, Auburn, NE for a regular scheduled meeting. Notice of meeting was published weekly in the Nemaha Valley Observer. 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 Mellage, 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 Mellage to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.

Approval of Minutes – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to approve the August 13, 2025 minutes as presented with no corrections. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.

Claims – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall 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; Mellage, aye.

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Discussion/Action – Business

1. Fuel Bids for September 2025 - The following fuel bid for September, 2025 was received: Sapp Brothers #2 Clear Diesel \$2.92, Regular with ethanol \$2.56. Motion by Hall, seconded by Mellage to accept the fuel bid for September, 2025 from Sapp Brothers #2 Clear Diesel \$2.92, Regular with ethanol \$2.56. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.
2. Review 2025/2026 Budget for Nemaha County – Public hearing date is September 10th – adoption date is September 24th
3. Adopt Resolution #2025-16 Final Allocation of Levy for Ag Society and Fire Districts – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to adopt Resolution #2025-16 which is a Final Allocation of Levy Authority for Nemaha County Ag Society and Rural Fire Districts. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.
4. Approve the 2025 Inventories of County Officials, Appointed Directors – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to approve the 2025 Inventories of Nemaha County Officials, Appointed Directors. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Mellage, aye.
5. Review and approve the bids for the Scrap Tire Collection Grant provided by the State of Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality to be held in 2026. - Motion by Hall, seconded by Mellage to accept and approve the bid price of \$167.99 per ton, from the Tire Cutters Inc from Centralia Kansas for the Scrap Tire Collection Grant provided by the State of Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality to be held in 2026. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.
6. Adopt Resolution #2025-17 Review & Approval of FTA Section 5310 Capital Grant Application for Veterans Van – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to Adopt Resolution #2025-17 which authorize an application to be made to NE Department of Transportation for Federal Grant Funds under provisions of Section 5310 for the purchase of a vehicle for transporting veterans of Nemaha County. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.
7. Review and sign letter to NEMA to report action plan of FEMA disaster 4225 – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall Review and sign the letter to NEMA to report action plan of FEMA disaster 4225. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Mellage, aye.
8. Approve and appointment of Nahum Winder as Assistant EMA Director which is fulltime and with benefits – tabled until the next meeting on September 10th
9. Adopt Resolution #2025-18 subdivision for David & Susan Piper located in Sec 22 T6N R13E – Motion by Weiss, seconded by Mellage to adopt Resolution #2025-18 which is a subdivision for David & Susan Piper located in Sec 22 T6N R13E. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.
10. Adopt Resolution #2025-19 Disaster Declaration August Storms – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to Adopt Resolution #2025-19 Disaster Declaration from storms that occurred on August 8th thru 11th resulted in damage to public property and infrastructure within Nemaha County. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.
11. Discuss Pay increase for current Nemaha County Employee – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to give to Suki Fischer a \$1.00 per hour increase due to the extra work and duties, like repair and updates to the Courthouse, effective September 29, 2025. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Mellage, aye.

Discussion/Action - Unfinished Business

1. Current status of Sec 28 T5N R13E Dunekacke Property/Keith Bohling

Discussion/Action - Buildings/Grounds/Property

1. Replacement of the current secured drop box located at the Courthouse – Motion by Weiss, seconded by Hall to replace the current secured drop box located at the Courthouse with a new updated secured drop box at the cost of \$2,869.60. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.

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

- 1. Replacement of Road District #2 1989 Cornhusker Rock Pup Trailer – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to replace the Road District #2 1989 Cornhusker Rock Pup Trailer. Roll call vote: Hall, nay; Mellage, aye; Weiss, nay. Motion did not carry
- 2. Declaring 2014 White Chevrolet Tahoe used by the Veterans Service Office as surplus – Motion by Weiss, second by Mellage to declare the 2014 White Chevrolet Tahoe used by the Veterans Service Office as surplus property and will be sold using Big Iron. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.
- 3. Declaring the 2016 Chevrolet Crew Cab Pickup from Sheriff’s Department as surplus – Motion by Weiss, second by Hall to declare the 2016 Chevrolet Crew Cab Pickup from Sheriff’s Department as surplus property and will be sold at a later date. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Mellage, aye.
- 4. Transfer Equipment #305 Pickup to different road district – no action needed

Discussion/Action - Highway Superintendent

- 1. Current status of the Magellan Pipeline and 646 Ave/722 Road Nemaha – covering the pipeline
- 2. Driveway Agreement for Shawn Peck located on 725 Road Auburn – Motion by Mellage, seconded Hall to approve the Driveway Agreement for Shawn Peck located on 725 Road Auburn at the owner’s expense for the culvert. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.
- 3. Discuss the replacement of Bridge C006423450 located on 722 Road East of 650 Avenue – Motion by Hall, seconded by Mellage to start the process to replace Bridge C006423450 with a box culvert, located on 722 Road East of 650 Avenue. The bridge has been closed since 2019. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.

County Officials Reports/Correspondence/Reminders

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

General			General		
25001179	Hall, Michael	1,181.17	25001212	Alexander, Arica L.	2,067.20
25001180	Mellage, Bryan W.	1,031.17	25001213	Anderson, Libbey	4,328.21
25001181	Weiss, Michael J.	1,181.17	25001214	Davidson, Eli W.	622.44
25001182	Johnson, Diane L.	2,334.72	25001215	Erickson, Tara	5,076.66
25001183	Tanner, Crystal R.	2,090.00	25001216	Fischer, Suki K.	1,772.28
25001184	Zimmerman, Mary	1,818.41	25001217	Kadavy, Matthew T.	695.80
25001185	Gerdes, Jana J.	2,334.72	25001218	Riehle, Traci A.	1,704.40
25001186	Nichols, Jennifer L.	2,060.80	25001219	Stonebarger, Clinton E.	574.56
25001187	Silvey, Christine M.	1,818.40	25001220	Allen, Dennis R.	1,803.76
25001188	Lempka, Mallory A.	2,334.72	25001221	Anderson, Sheri L.	1,918.88
25001189	Lempka, Tricia	1,808.80	25001222	Marburger, Shana M.	1,980.67
25001190	Mayer, Ashley M.	1,902.28	25001223	Reynolds, Jackie L.	1,676.80
25001191	Mellage, Mary	2,484.72	25001224	Sachs, Tracy R.	4,530.58
25001192	Wamsley, Samantha J.	1,968.40	25001225	Critser, Jennifer Renee	2,327.60
25001193	Wilken, Nicole C.	1,894.40	25001226	Bohling, Gailen D.	121.50
25001194	Davidson, Sheena L.	99.16	25001227	Mace, Eugene M.	445.97
25001195	Fischer, Suki K.	1,130.00	25001228	Parks, Terry L.	583.88
25001196	Mitchell, Lisa A.	1,445.60	25001229	Reed, James P.	735.35
25001197	Blundell, Kelsey R.	606.20	25001230	Hahn, Jill E.	1,737.50
25001198	Boden, Nathan J.	2,776.40	25001231	Volker, Linda K.	268.75
25001199	Brown, Brent B.	2,658.40	Road		
25001200	Davidson, Eli W.	2,593.60	25001232	Bohling, Gailen D.	73.80
25001201	Johnson, Danny D.	2,938.00	25001233	Bohling, Joshua M.	2,176.80
25001202	Kadavy, Matthew T.	2,841.20	25001234	Byfield, Jullian	2,156.80
25001203	Lottman, Brent E.	3,302.96	25001235	Core, Richard D.	2,136.80
25001204	Moyer, Casey J.	2,873.20	25001236	Daugherty, Allan D.	2,287.20
25001205	Neeman, Jonathan R.	2,788.00	25001237	Dunekacke, Matthew R.	2,156.80
25001206	Ractliffe, Zachary A.	2,776.40	25001238	Faulks, Kaje	2,266.80
25001207	Silvey, Harold L. Jr	3,967.60	25001239	Gottula, Joel L.	2,176.80
25001208	Stonebarger, Clinton E.	2,593.60	25001240	Hall, Michael K.	1,300.18
25001209	Ritchie, Morgan T.	2,334.72	25001241	Holthus, James E.	2,537.20
25001210	Ligouri, Angelo M.	3,112.96	25001242	Knippelmeyer, Jason W.	2,286.80
25001211	Volker, Linda K.	1,626.86	25001243	Lickteig, Scott A.	2,537.20
			25001244	Simon, Randall R.	2,156.80
			25001245	Wamsley, Donald L.	2,347.20
			25001246	Walters, Justus W.	1,590.00

General

25080306	AFLAC	2,450.60
25080307	Airstream	843.10
25080308	American Tower	1,146.34
25080309	APACE	135.00
25080310	Aub Auto Ctr.	2,230.35
25080311	Baylor, Evnen, Wolfe, Tannehill	649.00
25080312	Bennett's Fire Protection	320.00
25080313	BC/BS	32,903.79
25080314	Capital Business	96.68
25080315	Critser, Jennifer	63.98
25080316	DAS	840.00
25080317	DAS	658.62
25080318	Eakes	1,100.00
25080319	First Concord	965.82
25080320	First Concord	2,853.24
25080321	Gilbert Services	926.08
25080322	Great West Life	50.00
25080323	Hometown Leasing	712.44
25080324	Liberty National	374.00
25080325	Longs Creek	3,633.00
25080326	Lottman, Brent	137.41
25080327	Madison Nat'l Life	214.88
25080328	Mellage, Bryan	230.30
25080329	Midwest Card & ID	1,350.00
25080330	MIPS	1,604.20
25080331	Mutual of Omaha	463.64
25080332	NACO	160.00
25080333	NEHHS	93.00
25080334	Nem Co Petty Cash	40.00
25080335	Nem Co Tax Acct, Ret	12,802.52
25080336	Nem Co Tax Acct, SS/FWH	24,452.87
25080337	Nem Co Tax Acct, Nationwide	75.00
25080338	Nem Co Tax Acct, NWH	7,665.76
25080339	Nemaha Valley Observer	93.50
25080340	New York Life	117.00
25080341	Otoe Co. Sheriff	6.50
25080342	Priority Printing	332.24
25080343	Quill	530.86
25080344	Rohrs, Randy	73.80
25080345	Sack Lumber	107.96
25080346	Thomson Reuters West	265.15
25080347	Trustmark	455.63
25080348	University of NE	115.00
25080349	US Bank	1,236.53
25080350	Verizon	1,077.28
25080351	VSP	407.58
25080352	Windstream	103.11
25080353	Witness Fee	81.60
25080354	Witness Fee	140.40
	Road	
25080355	AFLAC	181.38
25080356	Bennett's Auto	33.86
25080357	Bennett's Fire Protection	234.50
25080358	BC/BS	16,185.16
25080359	First Concord	244.44
25080360	Madison Nat'l Life	12.60
25080361	Mainelli Wagner	3,134.50
25080362	MHC Kenworth	587.60
25080363	Midwest Svc. & Sales	1,800.00
25080364	Mutual of Omaha	39.12

25080365	NE Child Support Ctr.	229.50
25080366	NE Public Empl. Local No. 251	330.00
25080367	NE/IA Industrial Fasteners	654.98
25080368	Nem Co Tax Acct, Ret.	3,303.38
25080369	Nem Co Tax Acct, SS/FWH	6,478.16
25080370	Nem Co Tax Acct, NWH	2,034.12
25080371	New York Life	88.00
25080372	TIFCO	904.02
25080373	Trustmark	34.56
25080374	US Bank	1,042.06
25080375	Verizon	80.59
25080376	Village of Johnson	52.45
25080377	VSP	121.44
	Register of Deeds Preservation & Mod. Fund	
25080378	MIPS	413.36
	Veteran's Service Aid Fund	
25080379	Nem Co Veteran's Aid	500.00
	911 Emergency Management Fund	
25080380	Verizon	39.91
	Jail Commissary	
25080381	US Bank	70.99

With no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, motion by Weiss, seconded by Hall to adjourn at 11:03 a.m. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Weiss, aye; Mellage, 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