

Nemaha County Planning Commission

January 22nd, 2026 6:00 p.m.

Location: Wellness Center of Nemaha County – Emergency Operations Center

Members Present: Deb Heidzig, Jelayne Clark, Darren Oestmann, Eli Davidson, Kip Reeves. Members absent: Matt Smith and Luke Winkman

Also Present: John Shepard, Renee Critzer, Malory Lemka, Kent Volkman, Diane Lee, Julie Coatney, Suki Fischer

County Assessor Malory Lemka spent time before the meeting was called to answer questions from the commission regarding duties of her office. She went into great detail to describe the day to day and seasonal challenges of the office.

The January meeting of the Nemaha County Planning Committee was convened in Room EOC at 6:51 by Chairman Deb Heidzig.

Roll Call: Heidzig (here), Clark (here), Davidson (here), Smith (Absent), Reeves(here) Winkleman(absent)m, Oestmann (here)

Advanced notice was legally posted, and it was noted that the Open Meetings Law is by the door.

Motion to approve the agenda made by Clark, Seconded by Reeves. All ayes.

Motion to approve the December 18th, 2025 minutes made by Davidson, Seconded by Heidzig. All Ayes.

John Shepard gave an update on the comprehensive plan for Nemaha county.

Discussion and review was held on chapters 13-15 of the comprehensive plan and vision moving forward.

Election of officers went as follows.

Motion to nominate Heidzig for President made by Davidon, seconded by Clark.

Motion to cease nominations for president made by Davidson, seconded by Clark.

Roll call: Davidson(aye) Clark(aye) Heidzig(abstain) Reeves(aye) Oestmann(aye)

Motion carried. Heidzig is elected President for 2026.

Motion to nominate Clark for Vice President made by Davidon, seconded by Reeves.

Motion to cease nominations for VP made by Davidson, seconded by Reeves.

Roll call: Davidson(aye) Reeves(aye) Heidzig(aye) Clark(abstain), Oestmann(aye)

Motion carried. Clark is elected Vice President for 2026.

Motion to nominate Oestmann for Secretary made by Clark, seconded by Davidson.

Motion to cease nominations secretary made by Clark, seconded by Davidson.

Roll call: Clark(aye) Davidson(aye) Heidzig(aye) Reeves(aye) Oestmann(nay)

Motion carried. Oestmann is elected Secretary for 2026.

Motion to adjourn the January 22nd, 2026 meeting of the Nemaha County Planning Commission made by Clark at 8:07 p.m. Seconded by Davidson. All ayes.

The next meeting of the Nemaha County Planning Commission will be Feb 26th, at 6:00 p.m.