

# May 10, 2023

## 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 – April 26, 2023  
Action/Approval of claims  
Action/Approval of claim – Mellage Truck & Tractor
- 8:15 a.m. Foreman's Meeting – hire new road employee
- 9:00 a.m. Patrick Kreifels – Regional Administrator Region V Systems – Annual Report, activities, and initiatives
- 10:30 a.m. Board of Equalization
- 11:00 a.m. Stephanie Corter – SE Nebraska Adult Drug Court – 2023-2024 Budget request, Interlocal Agreement

### **Executive Session \***

1. Review a Disciplinary file

### **Discussion/Action – Business**

1. Approve ROW application 2023-5 with OPPD located at 642A Ave/725 Rd; 641 Ave/725 Rd; 645 Ave/721 Rd; 649 Ave/721 Rd
2. Approve ROW application 2023-6 with Spectrum/Charter located south of Hwy 67 on 637 Ave
3. Approve ROW application 2023-7 with OPPD located at Hwy 67 and 640 Ave
4. Approve ROW application 2023-8 with Charter located at 733A Rd/637 Ave & 732A Rd/638 Ave
5. Approve the NACO Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health/Dental Insurance premium rates for July 2023 thru June 2024
6. Approve wage increase for Jeff Rowell Deputy Emergency Management

### **Discussion/Action - Unfinished Business**

### **Discussion/Action - Buildings/Grounds/Property**

1. Courthouse Drainage Project – Approve Certificate of Substantial Completion
2. Hail damage roof repair – updates
3. Repair to the Courthouse basement walls – Remodel the restrooms

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

1. Approve purchase of Laminator Machine
2. Make the final payment 2022 John Deere 672G Motor Grader for District #3

### **Discussion/Action - Highway Superintendent**

1. Bridge projects – updates
2. Sign the US Army Corps of Engineers Permit for C64(338) Brownville/Cooper Nuclear Road
3. Temporary Easement filed for Project C64-335 Piper Creek
4. Dust control on county roads

### **County Officials Reports/Correspondence/Reminders**

1. County Clerk - Monthly Fee Report for April, 2023
2. Veterans Service Office - Status Report for April, 2023
3. Clerk of District Court – Monthly Fees/Fines Report for April, 2023
4. Treasurer - Monthly report for April, 2023
5. Treasurer - Pledged securities report as of April 28, 2023

### **Adjournment**

County Board of Commissioners of the County of Nemaha, State of Nebraska met on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 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](http://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 Mellage 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 Mellage noted the Open Meeting Laws posted on the bulletin board.

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

**Approval of Minutes** – Motion by Hall, seconded by Weiss to approve the April 26, 2023 minutes as presented with no corrections. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.

**Claims** – Motion by Hall, seconded by Weiss 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.

Motion by Hall, seconded by Weiss to approve the accounts payable claim from Mellage Truck & Tractor as presented by the County Clerk and authorize for payment by the Board of Commissioners. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, abstain; Weiss, aye.

8:15 a.m. Foreman's Meeting – hire new road employee

9:00 a.m. Patrick Kreifels – Regional Administrator Region V Systems – Annual Report, activities, and initiatives

10:30 a.m. Sine dine for Board of Equalization reconvened at 10:55 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Stephanie Corter – SE Nebraska Adult Drug Court – 2023-2024 Budget request, Interlocal Agreement – Motion by Hall, seconded by Weiss to sign the Southeast Nebraska Adult Drug Interlocal Agreement 2023-2024 Otoe, Richardson, Nemaha, Johnson and Pawnee Counties. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.

### **Executive Session** \*

1. Review a Disciplinary file – Motion by Weiss, seconded by Hall to Modify a previous disciplinary action on Jason Knipplemeyer down to a Minor Violation first offense. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Mellage, aye.

### **Discussion/Action – Business**

1. Approve ROW application #2023-5 with OPPD located at 642A Ave/725 Rd; 641 Ave/725 Rd; 645 Ave/721 Rd; 649 Ave/721 Rd – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Weiss to approve the Right of Way application #2023-5 with OPPD located at 642A Ave/725 Rd; 641 Ave/725 Rd; 645 Ave/721 Rd; 649 Ave/721 Rd. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.

2. Approve ROW application #2023-6 with Spectrum/Charter located south of Hwy 67 on 637 Ave – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Weiss to Approve the Right of Way application #2023-6 with Spectrum/Charter located south of Hwy 67 on 637 Ave. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.
3. Approve ROW application #2023-7 with OPPD located at Hwy 67 and 640 Ave – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Weiss to approve the Right of Way application #2023-7 with OPPD located at Hwy 67 and 640 Ave. Roll call vote: Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye; Hall, aye.
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5. Approve the NACO Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health/Dental Insurance premium rates for July 2023 thru June 2024 – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Weiss to approve the NACO Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health/Dental Insurance premium rates for July 2023 thru June 2024 and sign the Subgroup application. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.
6. Approve wage increase for Jeff Rowell Deputy Emergency Management – tabled until the next meeting

#### **Discussion/Action - Unfinished Business**

##### **Discussion/Action - Buildings/Grounds/Property**

1. Courthouse Drainage Project – Approve Certificate of Substantial Completion – Motion by Mellage, seconded by Hall to approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion on the Nemaha County Courthouse Improvement Drainage Project. Roll call vote: Weiss, aye; Hall, aye; Mellage, aye.
2. Hail damage roof repair – updates
3. Repair to the Courthouse basement walls – Remodel the restrooms

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

1. Approve purchase of Laminator Machine – Motion by Hall, seconded by Weiss to approve the purchase of a Thermal Roll 27” Laminator Machine for \$2,101.50 for the Courthouse. Roll call vote: Hall, aye; Mellage, aye; Weiss, aye.
2. Made the final payment for the 2022 John Deere 672G Motor Grader for Road District #3

##### **Discussion/Action - Highway Superintendent**

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

**General**

Salaries	67,759.38
Airespring	399.89
American Recycling	2,387.38
Applied Connective	70.90
AT&T	495.84
Aub Newspaper	865.22
Beasterfield, Beverly	35.37
Black Hills Energy	314.09
Board of Public Works	3,135.81
Boden LS	700.00
Bohling, Gailen	384.00
Bradley Electric	109.53
Cedars	720.00
Charm-Tex	221.60
Cody's U-Save	89.98
Consolidated Management	32.50
Critser, Jennifer	53.98
Davidson, Sheena	29.48
Davis, Zachary	72.00
Emergency Medical Products	1,093.61
Fankhauser, Nelsen, Werts, Merwin	57.00
Great West Life	50.00
Green Care Lawn Svc	510.00
Hector, Tony	23.08
Holiday Inn Kearney	392.00
John E Reid & Assoc.	630.00
Koch's Auto	1,584.04
Kollasch Law	4,400.00
Kraviec, Stephen	1,504.41
Lane, Dennis	168.00
Longs Creek	2,892.00
Lottman, Brent	27.00
Lynch's Hardware	961.26
Microfilm Imaging	130.00
MIPS	1,341.91
NEACEB	100.00
Nebraska.gov	68.00
Nem Co Clerk Dist Court	36.00
Nem Co Court/Justice	2,038.28
Nem Co Sheriff	421.62
Nem Co Tax Acct Ret	10,934.95
Nem Co Tax Acct SS/FWH	21,441.14

Nem Co Tax Acct Nationwide	75.00
Nem Co Tax Acct Quadient	1,000.00
Nem Co Treasurer	250,000.00
Paper Tiger	100.00
Petersen Auto Repair	5,101.31
Physician's Lab	271.00
Pinpoint	575.90
Quadient	429.42
Quill	890.37
RVS Auburn	118.13
Sam's Club	362.50
Sapp Bros.	4,040.34
Schendel Pest Control	210.00
Sunmart	434.27
Stoner Drug	193.50
The Sidwell Co.	2,896.00
UNL	14,101.11
UNL Extension	63.84
Weiss, Michael	262.76
Windstream	1,227.10
Woltemath, Becky	114.16
Zimmerman, Todd	10.04
<b>Road</b>	
Salaries	15,150.84
American Recycling	169.78
Aub Newspaper	192.00
Auto Parts of NC	321.82
Bennett's Auto Body	196.50
Black Hills Energy	57.47
Board of Public Works	602.10
Bruna Implement	1,370.77
Deere Credit Inc.	100,000.00
Eggers Bros	718.64
Farmer's Cooperative	20.40
Johnson Quik Stop	120.00
Lynch's Hardware	0.68
Martin Marietta	34,818.42
Mellage Truck & Tractor	705.14
NE Child Support	229.50
NE Child Support	298.40
Nem Co Tax, ret	2,334.09
Nem Co Tax, ss, fwh	4,435.01
NMC	10,530.43

Pomp's Tire	1,646.00
Riggins, Josh	147.48
Sapp Bros.	20,471.79
Schlange, Kevin	727.16
Whetrock	12,002.27
Windstream	565.23
<b>Road Equipment Fund</b>	
Deere Credit Inc.	65,772.81
<b>Register of Deeds Preservation Fund</b>	
MIPS	392.46
<b>911 Emergency Management Fund</b>	
American Tower	1,060.34
Windstream	248.09
<b>911 Wireless Service Fund</b>	
Windstream	1,057.67
<b>Jail Commissary Fund</b>	
Charter Communications	61.04

With no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, motion by Mellage seconded by Weiss to adjourn at 11:50 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](http://www.nemahacounty.ne.gov).

Diane Johnson  
County Clerk