

# Nemaha County Board Minutes



**December 30, 2015**

County of Nemaha, Nebraska

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Commissioner's Chambers**

**Nemaha County Courthouse, Suite 201**

**1824 N St Auburn NE**

County Board of Commissioners of the County of Nemaha, State of Nebraska met on Wednesday, December 30, 2015, Commissioner's Chambers, Nemaha County Courthouse, Auburn NE for a regular scheduled meeting. Notice of meeting 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 Nemaha County Clerk during normal business hours and also on the Nemaha County website. 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.

**Meeting Called to Order** – Chairman Wittmann called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Present for the meeting: Commissioner District 1 Bob Hutton, Commissioner District 2 Dennis Wittmann, Commissioner District 3 Marvin Bohling and County Clerk Joyce Oakley. Chairman Wittmann led the Pledge of Allegiance and noted the posting of the Open Meeting Poster and the availability of the Open Meeting Handouts to the public.

**Visitors present** – Dave Swanson, Nemaha County Herald; Dan Swanson, B103 Radio

**Approval of Agenda** - Motion by Bohling, seconded by Hutton to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Hutton, aye; Bohling, aye; Wittmann, aye.

**Approval of Minutes** – Motion by Bohling, seconded by Hutton to approve the December 16, 2015 regular scheduled meeting minutes with no corrections. Roll call vote: Wittmann, aye; Hutton, aye; Bohling, aye.

**Claims** – Motion by Bohling, seconded by Hutton to approve the accounts payable claims as presented by the County Clerk and authorized for payment by the Board of Commissioners. Roll call vote: Bohling, aye; Hutton, aye; Wittmann, aye.

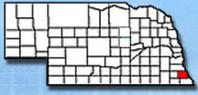
Discussion Items/Commissioners Reports/Report of Meeting(s) Attended

a. Random Drug Testing (change procedure from 50% to 25% of eligible employees – Board received notice from Dept. of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, starting January 1, 2016 there has been a change on the minimal annual percentage rate for random control substances (drug) testing for drivers of commercial motor vehicles, requiring commercial driver's licenses. The change is from the current of 50% of the average number of drivers to 25% of the average number of drivers. Motion by Bohling, seconded by Hutton to keep the current percentage at 50% of the employees required for random control substance drug testing for drivers of commercial motor vehicles. Roll call vote: Wittmann, aye; Hutton, aye; Bohling, aye.

b. Veterans Service office Internet – Board would like Gary Lesoing, UNL Educator to attend the next board meeting to discuss office internet.

c. paying a different wage to a laborer road employee while doing a different job classification- board discussed paying mechanics classification wages to a laborer road employee, while the laborer is performing repair/service to inland marine or vehicles. No change or action was taken.

d. review road employees sick leave used for 2015 – Board asked the County Clerk to prepare a notice to be included with the January 13, 2016 road employees paychecks that states that the BOC may



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need to address sick leave taken in 2015 due to the union contract: Article 9, Section 14, “any employee using more than three (3) sick days in a three month period shall be forwarded to a review committee who shall be charged with a thorough review of the employee’s use of sick leave to ensure that the employee is utilizing sick leave for a legitimate reasons”.

e. compensation for drivers for Veterans – see below

8:33 a.m. Sine die to meet as Board of Equalization

8:42 a.m. Reconvened as Board of Commissioners

8:45 a.m. Mike Sullwold – requesting 1 additional day of funeral leave for wife’s step grandfather – Mike Sullwold was present to request an additional day of funeral leave for his wife’s step grandfather’s funeral that was held out of state. Motion by Hutton, seconded by Wittmann to allow Mike Sullwold 1 additional day of funeral leave for the attendance of the out of state funeral. Roll call vote: Wittmann, aye; Hutton, aye; Bohling, aye.

9:00 a.m. Executive Session - General Assistance: 6777 – Motion by Hutton, seconded by Bohling to enter executive session at 8:59 a.m. to review the general assistance application for applicant 6777 and to conduct the interview with the client. Chairman Wittmann reiterated for record the Board of Commissioners are entering executive session to interview for general assistance. Roll call vote: Bohling, aye; Wittmann, aye; Hutton, aye.

Motion by Bohling, seconded by Hutton to leave executive session at 9:22 a.m. Roll call vote: Bohling, aye; Wittmann, aye; Hutton, aye. No action was taken.

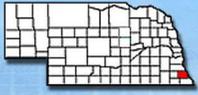
9:15 a.m. Executive Session – General Assistance: 2361 – Motion by Hutton, seconded by Bohling to enter executive session at 9:23 a.m. to review the general assistance application for applicant 2361 and to conduct the interview with the client. Chairman Wittmann reiterated for record the Board of Commissioners are entering executive session to interview for general assistance. Roll call vote: Bohling, aye; Hutton, aye; Wittmann, aye.

Motion by Hutton, seconded by Bohling to leave executive session at 9:47 a.m. Roll call vote: Bohling, aye; Hutton, aye; Wittmann, aye. No action was taken.

9:30 a.m. Veterans Service Board Committee – regarding recommendation for appt. of Veterans Service officer – Veterans Service Board Committee Members Janet Olsen, Chairman, Rick Moore, Charles Fike and Marty Hayes were present at the meeting and presented their recommendation of William Hessler for the appointment of Veterans Service Officer for Nemaha County. Motion by Bohling, seconded by Hutton to appoint William Hessler as Veterans Service Officer for Nemaha County. Roll call vote: Hutton, aye; Bohling, aye; Wittmann, aye.

The Veterans Service Committee also requested the Board of Commissioners consider hiring a part time assistant/driver to assist the Veterans Service officer with the assistant to work at least 16 hours a week. Motion by Bohling, seconded by Hutton to authorize the County Clerk to advertise for a part time assistant/driver (qualified thru the VA driving program) with the assistant/driver to have served in the armed forces of the U.S. during any of the period and discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honor from such service (Nebr. Rev. 84-401.01). Roll call vote: Wittmann, aye; Bohling, aye; Hutton, aye.

Motion by Hutton, seconded by Bohling to pay \$10.50 per hour to volunteers for driving veterans to the VA hospital (or other medical appointments) in Lincoln or Omaha. Roll call vote: Hutton, aye; Wittmann, aye; Bohling, aye.



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10:00 a.m. Gary Behrends – regarding Nemaha Co. Agr. Society new written agreement with the American Legion Post #23 for Tushla Baseball field – Gary Behrends, representing the Nemaha County Agr. Society visited with the board regarding the formal agreement between the American Legion Post #23 and the Nemaha County Agr. Society for Tushla Baseball field. Behrends' indicated the previous agreement is obsolete needs to be updated. He also indicated Auburn High School will be holding spring baseball games on the field and the lights and fixtures are obsolete and needs to be replaced with the approximate cost for the lights and fixtures to be around \$140,000.00 to \$180,000.00.

## Action Business

1. Fuel bids for January, 2016 – The following fuel bids were received for the month of January, 2016: Farmers Cooperative No. 1 Diesel \$2.01, No. 2 Diesel \$1.71, Regular with ethanol \$1.85; Midwest Farmers Coop No. 1 Diesel \$1.78, No. 2 Diesel \$1.57, Regular with ethanol \$1.59. Motion by Bohling, seconded by Hutton to approve the fuel bid from Midwest Farmers Coop for January, 2016. Roll call vote: Bohling, aye; Hutton, aye; Wittmann, aye.
2. Appointment of the Veterans Service Officer – see above
3. Resolution 2015-40 change of mileage rate for 2016 to \$.54 per mile – Motion by Bohling, seconded by Hutton to adopt Resolution 2015-40 changing the mileage reimbursement rate to \$.54 (sheriff's mileage \$.57) after January 1, 2016 for each mile actually and necessarily traveled by the most direct route if the trip(s) are made with their personal vehicle for county employees. Roll call vote: Wittmann, aye; Hutton, aye; Bohling, aye.

## Buildings/Grounds/Property

1. Attic fan for HHS Bldg. – Dennis Wittmann has taken care of this.
2. Letter to the Nebr. State Fire Marshal's office from B. Lottman, Sheriff - so noted

## Equipment/Office Equipment/Vehicles/Furniture

1. Purchase tractor and/or dump truck – Motion by Hutton, seconded by Bohling to authorize Commissioner Bohling to seek bid specs for a dump truck with the bid opening scheduled for January 27, 2016. Roll call vote: Wittmann, aye; Bohling, aye; Hutton, aye.

## Road Superintendent/Consultant

## Projects/Bridges/Roads

## County Officials Reports/Correspondence

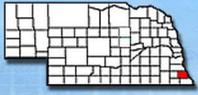
## Correspondence/Reminders

## Visitors Comments

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

### **General**

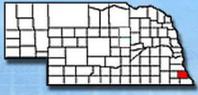
Salaries	44,753.17
Adgraphix, su	434.00
Aub Chamber, du	80.75
Aub Plumbing, bldg re	65.00
Baumhover, L, se	60.00
Black Hills, ut	145.81



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Blue Rivers, se	11,369.00
Bob Barker, su	208.53
Bohling, M, mi, me	455.20
Capital Business, ma ag	1,097.27
Capital Business, ma ag	2,235.39
Cons Management, me	18.00
Constellation, ut	368.06
Culligan, su	115.65
Darlings Cafe, bd pr	1,959.45
Dell Market, eq	440.99
Dept Correction, bd pr	854.60
Dollar General, su	54.85
Fairfield Inn, Idg	299.85
Green Care, se	720.00
Holtzman, P, reim	76.00
Hug, L, ret	24.00
Matthew Bender, su	198.10
Mayer, G, ret, reim	370.73
Meyer Lab, su	297.03
Meyer, J, ret, mi	480.65
Mid-American, su	180.90
Moody, S, mi	12.66
Nem Co Clerk, hra	1,343.76
Nem Co Tax, ret	7,021.38
Nem Co Tax, ss, fwh	14,223.41
Nem Co Tax, nwh	5,521.07
Nem Co Treas, fe	116.16
OPPD, ut	28.66
Orscheln, su	81.73
Otoe Co Sheriff, se	103.50
Protocall, se	1,050.00
Quill, su	1,034.10
Rodeway Inn, Idg	251.84
Shell Fleet, fu	887.19
Thomson Reuters, su	226.22
Timmerman, J, reim	150.00
UNL IS, se	126.08
US Bank, su	537.42
US Dept Ed, garn	148.18
Verizon Wireless, se	1,113.10
<b>Road</b>	
Salaries	\$15,523.16
Black Hills, ut	72.37
Constellation, ut	155.76
Dollar General, su	29.70
Gilbert Serv, ti re	3,761.94
Inland Truck, pts	224.76
Johnson Quik, pts, ti re	876.14
Kerford, rk	6,820.34
Martin Marietta, rk	23,930.32
Medical Enter, bl al	67.00
Meyerkorth, C, reim	57.50
Midwest Service, pts,su	1,220.24
Miracle Mud, se	8,610.00



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Nat'l Industrial, su	389.40
Nem Co Tax, ret	2,342.52
Nem Co Tax, ss, fwh	5,263.27
Nem Co Tax, nwh	2,069.48
Nem Co Treas, fe	57.50
Orscheins, su	581.87
RDO Truck, pts	418.57
Stutheit Imple, pts	39.92
Truck Center, pts	63.94
Us & Truck, ti re	100.00
<b>Road Equipment</b>	
RDO Truck, eq	109,643.00
<b>County Visitors</b>	
Brownville Fine, adv	387.19
Kruger, M, mi	146.00
SENTC, du	200.00
<b>Drug Coalition</b>	
SE Design, su	99.00
<b>Inheritance Tax</b>	
Motorola, eq	74,396.15
<b>911 Emergency Service</b>	
Page My Cell, se	2,350.00
Verizon, se	33.26

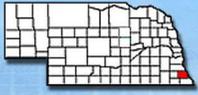
With no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, motion by Hutton, seconded by Bohling to adjourn at 11:55 a.m. Roll call vote: Bohling, aye; Hutton, aye; Wittmann, aye.

Dennis Wittmann, Chairman  
Board of Commissioners

I, Joyce Oakley, 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.

Joyce Oakley  
County Clerk

The next meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be January 13, 2016 Commissioners Chambers, Courthouse, Auburn NE



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