

April 9, 2026  
Nemaha Natural Resources District  
Regular Meeting  
Tecumseh, Nebraska

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Chair Russel Moss called the six hundred tenth meeting of the Nemaha Natural Resources District Board of Directors to order at 7:08 p.m. Thursday, April 9, 2026, at the NRD headquarters at Tecumseh, Nebraska.

<b>DIRECTORS</b>	Todd Boellstorff	Doug Iske	Tim Schardt
<b>PRESENT:</b>	Rob Bohling	Dick James	Eldon Snoke
	Patty Coates	Klark Knipe	Dan Stukenholtz
	Ed Ehmen	Robert Lassen	Duane Sugden
	Orval Gigstad	Tim Loseke	Kevin Thorne
	Dan Hodges	Russel Moss	
	Adam Howard	Alan Romine	

**DIRECTORS**  
**ABSENT:** Kraig Coonce  
Tracy Ensor

**STAFF**  
**PRESENT:** Kyle Hauschild, Manager  
Jane Kuhl, Assistant Manager  
Chuck Wingert, Water Resources Manager  
Charlie Pierce, Water Resources Technician  
Correy McClintock, Water Technician

**GUESTS**  
**PRESENT:** Mike Burgert, NRCS  
Kyle Ruse, Adams

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence, Moss announced that the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall at the back of the room.

2. **PROOF OF PUBLICATION**

Proof of publication was presented and is on file.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Excused Absences: Tracy Ensor
- b. Minutes: No questions.
- c. Treasurer's Report: No questions.

**James moved, seconded by Thorne, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.**

**AYE:** Boellstorff, Bohling, Coates, Ehmen, Gigstad, Hodges, Howard, Iske, James, Knipe, Lassen, Loseke, Moss, Romine, Schardt, Snoke, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne  
**NOT PRESENT:** Coonce, Ensor

4. **OPEN FORUMS**

Directors and staff introduced themselves.

5. **STAFF REPORTS**

A. Water Department Annual Report: Correy McClintock and Charlie Pierce provided a brief report on various water department programs including the Nitrogen Reduction Act, chemigation, flow meter readings, nitrogen study area in Adams/Sterling area, manganese testing, spring water levels.

B. Hauschild reviewed his written report.

6. **AGENCY/ASSOCIATION REPORTS**

A. **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

Mike Burgert reviewed his written report.

B. **Nebraska Association of Resources Districts**

Gigstad asked if another board member would be able to attend the June NARD board meeting in his place since he would be unable to attend. He also reported that he has been on some Zoom calls with NACD and that much of the discussion is about data centers.

C. **Nebraska Natural Resources Commission**

Iske reported at their February meeting they spent time reviewing a lot of the funds that the Commission administers.

7. **STANDING COMMITTEES**

A. **PROGRAMS & PROJECTS COMMITTEE**

1. ***Discussion on Groundwater Rules and Regulations:*** Schardt reported that the committee had a meeting the previous week and discussed some of the items of concern in the rules. He added that the committee was not unanimous about how to proceed on all of them. Next month they will review some of those items that the committee does agree on. Kyle Ruse, representing about 25 citizens in the Adams area, addressed the board about their concerns about the amount of water and power required should a large power plant and potential data center be built in their area.

2. ***Agreement with Spheros Environmental for Hydrogeologic Evaluation Guidelines:*** Wingert explained the need for specific guidelines for potential large water users when preparing this type of evaluation.

**Loeske moved, seconded by Iske, to approve the agreement with Spheros Environmental to produce a guideline document for hydrogeologic evaluations at a cost not to exceed \$4,000. Motion carried.**

**AYE:** Boellstorff, Bohling, Coates, Ehmen, Gigstad, Hodges, Howard, Iske, James, Knipe, Lassen, Loseke, Moss, Romine, Schaardt, Snoke, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

**NOT PRESENT:** Coonce, Ensor

**B. OPERATIONS & EDUCATION COMMITTEE – NO MEETING**

**C. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

1. ***Preliminary Budget Discussion:*** Romine reported the committee discussed a few items including possible cost-share funds for flow meters. No action.
2. ***Discussion on Amendment to Agreement with Hendrickson Transportation for Access to Steamboat Trace:*** Romine explained that an amendment would be required to allow access to the trail this summer since the original timetable expired in April. Hendrickson indicated it might be May 15 before they get approval from the Corps to continue their project. Consensus of the board showed no opposition to this new timeline. The amendment will be brought back for formal action when it is available. No action.
3. ***Options for Electronic Distribution of Board Meeting Materials:*** Romine explained that the committee discussed sending either materials or a link to them via email. Hard copies could be provided at the board meeting as requested. Directors should expect to receive next month's materials in this manner.

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS, MAY AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS**

The next regular meeting of the board of directors will be Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. with committee meetings prior to the board meeting.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**Sugden moved, seconded by Lassen, to adjourn. Motion carried.**

**AYE:** Boellstorff, Bohling, Coates, Ehmen, Gigstad, Hodges, Howard, Iske, James, Knipe, Lassen, Loseke, Moss, Romine, Schaardt, Snoke, Stukenholtz, Sugden, Thorne

**NOT PRESENT:** Coonce, Ensor

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

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Secretary, Nemaha Natural Resources District