

Proceedings of the Commissioners

The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met on Tuesday, June 21, 2022, at the County Courthouse. Notice of the meeting was published on the county website sheridancountyne.gov. The meeting was open to the public and a ZOOM connection was also available. Present were Vice-Chairman James Krotz, Commissioner Dan Kling, Clerk Sindy Coburn, and Treasurer Renee Thies. Chairman Bruce Messersmith was excused due to illness.

The Commissioners, convened as the Board of Equalization (BOE) and approved the minutes of the 6-14 meeting. Assessor Tina Skinner had no corrections for the Board to review.

Acting as the BOC, the Commissioners audited, and approved salary claims and signed claim checks .

Road Superintendent Richard Cross requested that the BOC declare as surplus a 1994 CAT “G” motor-grader, the last such model in the county fleet. The Board voted to approve that request. The grader will be sold through an on-line auction service.

Sheriff Jeff Brewer reported on the county’s two new “speed carts” . The carts use radar and flashing lights to inform approaching drivers of their speed and to “encourage” compliance with speed limits. The carts also gather information on traffic flow and the number of violations at various hours of the day. Such information will help target enforcement efforts to the times and places where they are most needed. The \$15,600 cost of the carts was covered by a grant.

Building Superintendent Jeff Davis reported that the new emergency back-up generator at the public safety building has been installed.

Deputy County Attorney Jamian Simmons presented a draft resolution that would establish a process for agencies and organizations to apply for ARPA funds to be distributed by the County. The Board decided to defer a vote on the resolution until such time as Commissioner Messersmith could be present.

Simmons reviewed with the Board the statutes regarding both open-carry and concealed-carry firearms in county buildings. The Board decided to defer further discussion of the matter until such time as Commissioner Messersmith could be present.

Assessor Tina Skinner and Clerk Sindy Coburn presented additional information on LB-644 concerning the public notification of a proposed tax increase. The Board voted to engage the services of the Nebraska Department of Administrative Services Print Shop to print the notification cards if they should be needed.

The BOC set July 12 & 13 as the dates for Property Valuation Protest Hearings.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, June 28.

The minutes of this and all meetings of the Board of Commissioners will be available to the public at the office of the Sheridan County Clerk and now are available online at sheridancounty.ne.gov. All meetings of the Board of Commissioners are held in compliance with Nebraska Open Meetings Act and the public is always welcome.

