The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met on Tuesday September 20, 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 Chairman Bruce Messersmith, Commissioners Dan Kling and James Krotz, County Clerk Sindy Coburn, Treasurer Renee Thies, Clerk of the District Court Carol Stouffer, and Road Superintendent Richard Cross.

The commissioners signed claim checks and audited and approved salary claims,

At 10:05 the BOC opened a public hearing to receive support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to the setting of the final tax request. No citizens appeared to testify.

At 10:30 the BOC opened a public hearing to receive support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed budget. No citizens appeared to testify.

At 11:00 the BOC convened in regular session and approved Resolution 2022-17 approving the proposed Budget Documents for 2022-2023 and Resolution 2022-18 approving the Property Tax Request for 2022-2023. The tax rate for the coming year will decrease from .372337 to .366002 per \$100 of assessed value.

The Budget is available for review in the office of the County Clerk and will appear on the website of the Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts.

Road Superintendent Rich Cross reported that Baker and Associates of Scottsbluff has presented an acceptable proposal for a traffic study on 470th Lane southwest of Hay Springs.

Clerk of the District Court Carol Stouffer visited with the commissioners about water damage on the second floor of the courthouse. The BOC and Building Superintendent will inspect the damage on the 27th.

Sheriff Jeff Brewer and Jail Supervisor Jodi Elsea presented a grant proposal for ARPA funds to make certain safety and security upgrades to the jail. The grant will be sent to the County Attorney for review.

The Commissioners conducted the required quarterly inspection of the jail and found no immediate problems.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27.

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.

Submitted by James Krotz