The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met on Tuesday October 11, 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.

Acting as the Board of Equalization (BOE) the Commissioners reviewed 2 Correction Sheets presented by Assessor Tina Skinner. The Corrections approve the acceleration of personal property taxes for Rolling Meadow Ranch so that the sale of the property to Great Plains Farm LLC might be concluded.

The Board of Commissioners (BOC) audited and approved claims for payment.

Treasurer Renee Thies presented a list of 21 tax-delinquent parcels on which County Tax Certificates will be issued and 3 parcels on which Tax Certificates have matured and upon which sales certificates can now be issued. The BOC approved a resolution approving the Certificates.

Road Superintendent Richard Cross reported on a federal grant opportunity offered by the Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Program. The BOC tabled further consideration of the grant pending the reception of additional information.

Cross also reported on a new Commercial Driver License (CDL) training program offered by WNCC that is significantly less costly (\$500) than others currently available.

The BOC and Road Superintendent discussed the on-going problem with wash-boarding on county roads. The effective removal of the wash-board requires that 5 -7 inches of material be removed, which poses a threat to the base of the road when there is so little moisture.

The BOC directed Building Superintendent Jeff Davis to find an appropriate way to display the green light of support for Veterans at the courthouse during the second week of November.

Sheriff Jeff Brewer reported the hiring of a new officer, Shannon Nelson of Gordon.

The Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor and Commissioners discussed possible updates to the Employee Handbook and the policy for courthouse closure during inclement weather.

The BOC voted to authorize Chairman Messersmith to sign the Statement of Cost Allocation Plan prepared for the County by Maximus Inc. for the recovery of certain court costs from the state.

County Clerk Sindy Coburn presented the list of levies requested by the various subgovernmental entities of the county. The BOC approved resolution 2022-20 setting the levies as presented. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, October 18.

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