

## Proceedings of the Commissioners

The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at the County Courthouse. Notice of the meeting was published on the county website [sheridancounty.ne.gov](http://sheridancounty.ne.gov). The meeting was open to the public and a ZOOM connection was also available. Present were Chairman Bruce Messersmith and Commissioner James Krotz, Deputy County Clerk Paige Rager, Assessor Tina Skinner, and Road Superintendent Rich Cross. Commissioner Dan Kling was excused.

Acting as the Board of Equalization (BOE) the Commissioners reviewed and approved four Correction Sheets presented by Assessor Tina Skinner. The corrections concerned the ownership of three parcels in 10-3-0-46 wrongly recorded after a sale involving three parties. The BOE voted to approve the Correction Sheets 171, 172, 173 & 174 as presented.

Assessor Skinner presented her Over/Undervalued Property List of 6-13-2023. The List included four under-valued, and four over-valued properties, and seven clerical errors. The BOE approved the List as presented.

Bruce Salisbury of Great Plains Communications met with Board and the Assessor to discuss a possible upgrade to the courthouse internet service which is proving inadequate to the growing demands of Pictometry and other mapping programs. No decision was made. Salisbury will present a more detailed proposal.

Road Superintendent Rich Cross reported that crews had begun some construction projects but had mostly been grading in the wake of recent rains.

Tim Brewer presented the 2023-24 Work/Financial Plan between the County and the USDA for Wildlife Services. The cost to the County will increase from 32,985 to 33,070 in 2023-24. The BOC approved the Plan.

Building Superintendent Jeff Davis presented two proposals for tuckpointing the top one foot of the courthouse brickwork. Erosion of the mortar joints has led to leakage during heavy rainstorms. The BOC voted to accept the proposal from

James Irwin Masonry of Gordon. The cost of the project will be 12,364 plus the rental cost of a lift.

At 11:00 a.m. the BOC opened a public hearing, as advertised, on the proposed amendment of the County Budget. The County received \$907 more than expected from the Opioid Settlement Fund. Since the Budget did not include that unexpected amount it was necessary to amend the document to remain in compliance with state statues. No one appeared to testify and the BOC voted to approve—969- /+the amendment of the budget document.

The Board reviewed and approved an application for a Special Designated License (SDL) proposed by Marlin Sandoz of the Fuel Grill in Gordon. The SDL, if approved by the State Liquor Commission, would permit Fuel Grill to serve alcohol at the Sheridan County Fair July 25, 26, 27, 28 & 29 from 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. The BOC approved the application for submission to the Liquor Commission.

The next meeting of the BOE and BOC will be Tuesday, June 20.

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](http://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