

Proceedings of the Commissioners

The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met on Tuesday September 19, 2023, 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.

There was no business for the Board of Equalization (BOC).

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

At 9:00 the BOC opened a public hearing (as advertised) to receive support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to the setting of the final tax request. No citizens appeared to testify and the hearing was closed at 9:15.

At 9:15 the BOC opened a public hearing (as advertised) to receive support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed budget. No citizens appeared to testify and the hearing was closed at 9:40.

At 9:40 the BOC convened in regular session and approved Resolution 2023-22 approving the proposed Budget Documents for 2023-2024 and Resolution 2023-23 approving the Property Tax Request for 2023-2024. The tax rate for the coming year will decrease from .366002 to .339010 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 in one day of E-911 sign replacement work the crew found 18 vandalized or removed signposts. Cross also reported that the new 365 hp, loader-mounted snowblower has been delivered.

Sheriff Jeff Brewer reported that the current jail census is as low as he can recall but the department recently lost two employees.

Marie Nelson, 4-H Assistant, reported on recent and upcoming activities.

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