

Proceedings of the Commissioners

The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met on Tuesday, November 28, 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, Clerk Sindy Coburn, and Treasurer Renee Thies.

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

Treasurer Renee Thies presented, and the Board approved a report on pledged securities from banks serving as depositories for county funds.

Road Superintendent Rich Cross presented his final report to the Board. He will take a month of vacation leave through December and retire at the end of the year. Rich has served the county for 19 years, the final 3 as Superintendent. The search for his successor continues.

David Welanko of the Panhandle Area Development District (PADD) appeared to brief the Board on the prospects for grants to re-pave certain sandhill trails. Those prospects are bleak. The Board also discussed with Welanko the need for a decennial update of the County Comprehensive Plan which is due in 2024. The Commissioners agreed to consider renewing membership in PADD in order to qualify for the discounted services needed for the update. The matter will be considered at the December 12 meeting.

Extension Service 4-H Assistant Marie Nelson reported that the Gordon community had produced 1,175 pounds of produce and engaged 75 volunteers. The 4-H program has encountered 639 county youth in 2023.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12.

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

