## Proceedings of the Commissioners

The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, 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 James Krotz, Commissioners Bruce Messersmith and Dan Kling, Clerk Sindy Coburn, Treasurer Renee Thies and Clerk of the District Court Carol Stouffer.

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

Acting as the Board of Commissioners (BOC) the officials audited and approved salary claims and signed claim checks.

Treasurer Renee Thies presented her report on pledged securities from the County's depository banks holding more than the FDIC maximum insured amounts.

Interim Road Superintendent Rod Norton presented to the Board the new, two-year gravel crushing contract with Kustom Rock in Gordon. The new contract is for 50,000 tons at \$7.85/yard.

Building Superintendent Jeff Davis reported that the tuckpointing work on the courthouse has been completed for the year. Davis expects that completing the project will require at least one more year.

Beth Ferrell of the Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) appeared to brief the commissioners on a number of NACO initiatives and to discuss certain legislative concerns from the recently concluded and upcoming sessions of the unicameral.

The Commissioners met with Melissa Mracek of UNL Extension and Linda Strasburger of the Veterans Service Office to discuss the BOC position on "sinking funds". One office has such a fund for vehicle replacement and the other was interested in establishing such a fund. The county Budget Consultant has advised us that such funds might attract the attention of state level authorities seeking to "sweep" such funds back from the county. In light of such possibilities, the Commissioners have decided to close such existing funds and not approve any such funds in future budgets. The next scheduled meeting of the BOE/BOC will be Tuesday, July 8.

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