

Proceedings of the Commissioners June 23, 2026

The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners convened at the County Courthouse. Notice of the meeting was published in the Sheridan County Journal Star and on the County website, sheridancounty.ne.gov. The meeting was open to the public and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. Present were Chairman James Krotz, Commissioners Dan Kling and Bruce Messersmith, Clerk Sindy Coburn, Treasurer Renee Thies and Clerk of the District Court Carol Stouffer.

Acting as the Board of Equalization (BOE) the Commissioners reviewed a list of 22 commercial properties from which Assessor Tina Skinner asked to remove an erroneous 4% reduction in valuation. This correction will return the respective valuations to the 2025 amounts. Because the corrections were identical in every case the Board approved them all with a single motion.

The Board of Commissioners (BOC) audited and approved salary claims and signed claim checks totaling 692,352.

The BOC reviewed and approved for submission to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission an application by Fuel Grill LLC for a Special Designated License to serve alcohol at the Sheridan County Fair. The application proposed days and hours of service as follows. July 21,22,23&26, 4:00 p.m. – midnight. July 24 & 25, 4:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.

Treasurer Renee Thies presented her report on pledged securities from our depository banks.

Thies asked to close the bank account used for ARPA funds (now all expended except for the interest earned) and transfer that 1,800 to the General Fund checking account. The BOC approved.

Thies also presented a resolution to close the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund and transfer the 14,426 to the General Fund. The BOC approved.

Interim Road Superintendent Rod Norton reported that heavy rain in the south of the county had washed out some roads over the weekend. The rain makes grading possible, so all available motor graders were on the roads.

Weed Superintendent Melissa Grover requested authorization to extend overtime pay for her part-time summer help as necessary to work extra hours, when weather conditions permit, as the wind has been even less favorable than usual for spraying this year. The Board approved overtime not to exceed the amount allocated in the dept. budget.

Building and Grounds Superintendent Jeff Davis reported on his ongoing search for housekeeping staff.

Commissioner Kling reported that he had attended the Gordon City Council meeting the night before to hear discussion regarding a possible fireworks ban. The Council decided not to impose a ban.

Commissioners Krotz and Messersmith voted to extend an offer to a candidate for Road Superintendent. Commissioner Kling abstained.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the BOE/BOC will be Tuesday, July 7. 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.

Submitted by James Krotz