

Proceedings of the Commissioners July 7, 2026

The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners convened a special pre-protest session at the County Courthouse at 9:00 a.m. 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.

Krotz reported that ZELLE Human Resources had prepared and delivered an “offer of employment” on June 24 to Trent Kling for the position of Highway Superintendent. Because Mr. Kling did not indicate his acceptance of the offer within the allowed time, Messersmith and Krotz voted to direct ZELLE to withdraw the offer and proceed with the search. Dan Kling recused himself from the vote.

The Board considered and approved a special claim for payment to Great Plains Communications to settle late fees owed by the Sheriff’s office.

The BOC adjourned at 10:00 a.m. and the Commissioners convened as the Board of Equalization to begin Valuation Protest Hearings. Assessor Tina Skinner led the Board through a number of formal protests and presented the results of the informal protests that she had earlier negotiated with individuals. The BOC considered and approved the informal protests as presented. Action on the formal protests heard today and on July 14 will be taken after the hearings close on the 14th and a final count will be reported then.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the BOE/BOC will be Tuesday, July 14. 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 are available online at sheridancounty.ne.gov.

Submitted by James Krotz