

## COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

JUNE 22, 2021

The Sheridan County Commissioners met in regular session and by zoom at 9:15 A.M. on June 22, 2021. Zoom ID#3358213334 Passcode 625274. All members present. Paul stated that the meeting would be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act. This meeting was posted on the official county website and published in the Sheridan County Journal Star on June 16, 2021. Messersmith made a motion to accept the agenda. Krotz seconded the motion. All voted aye. Krotz made a motion to accept the minutes of 6-15-2021. Messersmith seconded the motion. All voted aye.

The board signed claim checks and audited and approved salary claims.

The board signed a lease agreement with Bryan and Julie Linders for a term of 24 months to rent the Tinker Tots Daycare building for \$750/month, for the Extension Office.

Road Superintendent Richard Cross visited with the board about project progress. Cross stated that he has had calls concerning laying the armor coat on the District Road. They are concerned about laying it when the weather is too hot. Cross has visited with Hein Construction and they plan to wait until the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of August and hope for cooler weather.

Messersmith made a motion to surplus a 2011 Freightliner Model CA125DC that the road department doesn't use any longer. Krotz seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Cross informed the board that he has only gotten one person interested in the Railroad Cars. The board agreed to accept the offer of \$20/car from Robert Vanbleet from Sidney.

Charlie Hamilton met with the board to ask their opinion of the 30/30 proposal. The board stated that they are all for private property rights. Paul stated that he has read it and is not sure he understands it but that is not fair to assume they are lying to us. Krotz stated that he feels resolutions are not effective at the county level. Residents need to call their Governor, Senator, Legislator they are the ones that can change something. The board encourages everyone to read the proposal and watch it close. Hamilton stated that he has not taken the time to read it but plans to do so in the near future.

Sheriff Brewer presented the board with the Highway 20 Interlocal Agreement for signature. Krotz made a motion to approve the Highway 20 Interlocal Law Enforcement Agreement. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

The board visited with Brewer about the need for more deputies in his department. Brewer stated that he has advertised and has not gotten any applicants.

Tim Brewer, Wildlife Specialist and Jerry Feist, District Supervisor met with the board to ask for a new contract for services with the USDA. Feist reviewed a report with the board showing the progress of the program. The board had questions on why no benefits for the

specialist. Feist explained that in order to offer benefits they would have to require an additional \$19,000 from the county.

Krotz made a motion to approve the agreement with USDA for Wildlife Damage Management Program, in the amount of \$29,985.44 from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Jack Arterburn, Extension Educator gave an update on the programs that he has been working on. Arterburn informed the board that his "Ranch Handbook" activity has now surpassed one million views on You Tube. Arterburn also stated that he is excited for the new office space that is coming soon.

Jerry Harris of MANNA Systems joined the meeting via ZOOM to discuss IT issues. The board asked if he could continue the anti-virus services through July. Harris stated that he would be able to do that.

Several Officials and Department heads met with the board to further discuss IT services. Many of the offices are working with Intralinks out of Scottsbluff to provide these services.

Adjourn: 1 P.M.

Attest: Cindy L. Coburn, Co Clerk

Loren L. Paul, Chairman