

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

AUGUST 10, 2021

The Sheridan County Commissioners met in regular session and by zoom at 9:30 A.M. on August 10, 2021. Zoom ID#3358213334 Passcode 65274. 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 website and published in the Sheridan County Journal Star on August 4, 2021. Messersmith made a motion to accept the agenda. Krotz seconded the motion. All voted aye. Messersmith made a motion to approve the minutes of 7-27-2021. Krotz seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Weed Superintendent Seth Tausan met with the board via zoom to present quotes for a side-by-side for the Weed Department. The two quotes were from 21st Century for a JD \$26,685 and from No Limit Power of Valentine for \$29,244. Tausan discussed with the board the individual specs from each quote. The board asked Tausan if he could make it work within his budget and Tausan felt he could.

Krotz made a motion to accept the quote from No Limit Power Sports for a CanAm side by side for \$29,244 and a 100 gallon sprayer from Warne chemical & Equipment of Rapid city for \$5,085 and to pursue the purchase of a trailer to haul it. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Tausan visited with the board about private contractors to carry out forced control actions. Tausan informed the board that his own company (Southpaw Spraying) is one of few private contractors in the area and was questioning if he should offer the landowner to use his company. The board stated that they approve the use of Southpaw Spraying for force control spraying but asked Tausan when sending out notices to offer other companies also.

Road Superintendent Richard Cross reported that the culverts for the Gordon Airport Road project will be delivered in about 2 weeks. The road will be closed for several days while the culverts are being installed. Cross said that he will advertise the road closing when he has the exact dates.

Cross asked the board for an executive session. Messersmith made a motion to go into executive session at 10:15 A.M. for the purpose of preventing needless

injury to the reputation of an employee. Krotz seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

At 10:25 A.M. Krotz made a motion to come out of executive session. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye. No action taken.

Krotz made a motion to authorize the chairman to sign an engagement letter with Gardner, Loutzenhiser and Ryan, P.C. to complete the audit for year ending June 30, 2021, with a fee to not exceed \$18,350 plus mileage. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Jack Arterburn, Lead Educator for Sheridan County Extension reported on recent and upcoming events.

Adjourn: 11:25 A.M.

Attest: Cindy L. Coburn, Clerk

Loren L. Paul, Chairman