

# COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

DECEMBER 20, 2022

The Sheridan County Commissioners met in regular session and by Zoom (ID# 93997918251 Passcode 625274) at 9:38 A.M. All members present, along with Deputy Clerk Paige Rager, Treasurer Renee Thies and Clerk of District Court Clerk Carol Stouffer.

Messersmith 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.

Krotz made a motion to accept the agenda. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye. Kling made a motion to approve the minutes of 11-29-22. Krotz seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Salary claims were audited and approved.

Krotz made a motion to accept Aaron Conn's letter of resignation as Sheridan County Attorney effective January 9, 2023. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye. Conn has served as County Attorney since 2019 and has been appointed by the Governor to serve as a county Judge in the 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial District. The board thanked Aaron Conn for his faithful service to Sheridan County.

Kling made a motion to approve the appointment of Paige Paul as an Extension Board Member. Krotz seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

The board reviewed a rural subdivision of 6.8 acres for Wayne and Elizabeth Childers. Krotz made a motion to approve Resolution #2022-33 approving the subdivision of 6.84 acres located in the NE1/4 of Section 10, Twn 31, Rng 44 and the S1/2SE1/4 of Section 3, Twn 31, Rng 44. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Kling made a motion to sign and approve a Disaster Declaration for the recent winter storm. Krotz seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye. The Declaration is a prerequisite for the county to apply for assistance from FEMA and the Governor's emergency fund.

At 10:15 the board opened a public hearing on the assessment of roadside mowing charges. No landowners appeared to protest the assessment of charges.

Kling made a motion to adopt Resolution #2022-34 assessing the following properties for roadside mowing. Krotz seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Tim Campbell \$60 SE1/4 of Sec 16- Twn 31- Rng 41

Nebraska Beef Packers Inc. \$60 SW1/4 of Sc 22-Twn 31-Rng 41

Todd Rager \$60 NE1/4 of Sec 25-Twn 33-Rng 41

Kyle Schwarting \$120 NW1/4 Sec 25-Twn 33- Rng 41

UBY Ranch LLC \$120 E1/2 Sec 34-Twn 33-Rng 41

Helen Rager \$60 NW1/4 Sec 35-Twn 33- Rng 41

Mary Anne Wefso \$60 NW1/4 of Sec 9-Twn 32- Rng 41

Colton Grossman \$120 W1/2 Sec 14- Twn 32- Rng 44

Strasburger Land Cattle Co \$60 NE1/4 of Sec 1-Twn 32-Rng 44

Board of Ed Land & Fund \$180 NE1/4 Sec 36-Twn 33-R44; NW1/4 Sec 36-Twn 34-Rng 45; NW1/4 Sec 36-Twn 33- Rng 44

Jamie Talbot \$60 NW ¼ of Sec 1- Twn 33- Rng 45

Sandra Koinzan \$300 NE ¼ Sec 10- Twn 30- Rng 46; N1/2 Sec 11- Twn 30-Rng 46; N1/2 Sec 34- Twn 31- Rng 46

Patrick Heiting \$120 SE1/4 of Sec 4- Twn 30- Rng 46; NE1/4 of Sec 9- Twn 30-Rng 46

Jesse Agler \$60 NE1/4 of Sec 12- Twn 29- Rng 46

Jim Hollstein (Hollstein Farm LLC) \$120 SW1/4 Sec 15- Twn 31-Rng 46; NW1/4 Sec 22- Twn 31- Rng 46

Iris Davis Trustee \$300 NW1/4 of Sec 25-Twn 32- Rng 46; SW1/4 Sec 26-Twn 32- Rng 46; W1/2 Sec 35- Twn 32- Rng 46

Mark Pieper \$60 NW1/4 of Sec 16- Twn 32- Rng 46

Road Superintendent Richard Cross gave an update on the alley closure in Whiteclay. Cross stated that he is having a difficult time contacting surrounding land owners. No decision made.

Cross gave an update on the continuing efforts to clear snow from the county roads. Progress is slow but they are working on it. High winds packed the snow into deep drifts that have caused damage to equipment.

No report from Building & Grounds department.

Sheriff Brewer reported that he has found two suitable patrol vehicles in Rapid City. The RAM pickups cost \$41,480 each plus the cost of the light-bars, decals etc. The City of Rushville will be paying for one as part of the contract. Delivery in 6-8 weeks.

Treasurer Renee Thies reported to the board about concerns with the Pitney Bowes company. Thies is working with them.

Thies visited with the board about health insurance options and the cost of the family plan.

The board authorized the Building & Grounds Superintendent to close the south parking lot as needed when snow conditions indicate.

Adjourn: 12:30 P.M.

Bruce Messersmith, Chairman

Attest: Paige Rager, Deputy Co Clerk