

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

FEBRUARY 20, 2024

The Sheridan County Commissioners met in regular session and by Zoom (ID# 93997918251 Passcode# 625274) at 9:15 A.M. on February 20, 2024. All members present along with County Clerk Sindy Coburn and Clerk of District Court Clerk Carol Stouffer.

Krotz 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 February 14, 2024.

Kling made a motion to accept the agenda. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye. Kling made a motion to approve the minutes of 2-13-2024. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

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

The board reviewed the "In Lieu of Health Insurance" plan which provides \$400 per month to employees who participate in Medicare or other qualified plans, rather than being on the county insurance. After discussion the board agreed to make no changes to the plan.

Rod Norton, Interim Road Superintendent informed the board that Murphy Tractor has a couple of used service trucks that include a crane, welder and an air compressor for \$20,000. Norton stated that he is sending Ray Retzalff to Scottsbluff to look them over. Messersmith made a motion to authorize the Road Department to deal with Murphy Tractor on the purchase of one of the service trucks for \$20,000. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Norton informed the board that he has contracted with WestCo for 50,000 gallons of diesel fuel at \$2.95/gallon. This cost is down from \$3.16/gallon last year.

The board discussed possible travel reimbursement for a Road Superintendent candidate to come for a personal interview. No decision was made.

Tanya Storer, Legislative Candidate for the 43rd District introduced herself to the Board. Storer hopes to succeed Senator Tom Brewer who had reached his term limit. Storer stated that she was a Cherry County Commissioner for 8 years so is well aware of the challenges the board faces.

Building and Grounds Superintendent Jeff Davis presented two proposals for the replacement of two doors at the Rushville shop. Messersmith made a motion to accept the quote of \$20,322 from Black Hills Overhead Doors. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

At 11 A.M. the meeting moved to the Road Department Shop in the Annex Building to conduct the 1 & 6 year road hearing. Eight citizens appeared at the hearing to review the road plan and to ask questions or give comments. Rod Norton went over the map and showed the areas that are planned to be completed. The hearing was closed at 12:15 P.M.

Messersmith made a motion to adopt Resolution #2024-6 accepting the 1 & 6 year road plan presented by the Road Department. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Adjourn: 12:30 P.M.

Attest: Sindy L. Coburn, Clerk

James Krotz, Chairman