

## COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

October 22, 2024

The Sheridan County Commissioners met in regular session and by Zoom (ID#87981717732 Passcode# 625274) at 9:15 A.M. All members present along with Clerk Sindy Coburn, Treasurer Renee Thies, District Court Clerk Carol Stouffer and Interim Road Superintendent Rod Norton

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 posted in the Sheridan County Journal Star on October 2, 2024.

Kling made a motion to accept the agenda. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye. Messersmith made a motion to approve the minutes of 10-15-2024 with corrections Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote Kling and Messersmith voted aye and Krotz abstained.

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

Interim Road Superintendent Rod Norton was present to give an update on the road department and on-going projects. Norton reported that all the construction projects have been completed for the year. His department will start back to 5- 8 hour days on November 12.

Norton presented the board with a list of equipment that they declared surplus on October 15, 2024. 1999 GMC Suburban VIN 1GKFK16R2XJ720473, 1996 Ford Crown Vic VIN 2FALP71WOTX193668, 1972 Paddle Scraper SN# 71M1405, 1970 Paddle Scraper SN#762003229, Power Broom SN# MB1051263, 500 gallon Tank & Trailer SN#300275, 1966 Snow Plow, 1979 Snow Plow SN# 76-449, 2007

Road Boss Grader SN# 715510, 2000 Gallon Tank and 2 pallets of old signs.

Discussion was had about funding for the purchase of E-911 road signs. The Public Service Commission controls what the E-911 and Wireless 911 funds can be used for. Deputy Everette Langford informed the board that signage is not an allowable expense. County Treasurer Renee Thies reminded the board of the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund that is to be used for emergency types of projects. The board agreed to use the LATC funds for the purchase of the E-911 signs in the estimated amount of \$30,000.

County Treasurer Renee Thies presented her Pledged Security Report to the board for review. Kling made a motion to accept the Pledged Security Report. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call all voted aye.

Kling made a motion to adopt Resolution #2024-23 striking personal property tax that was returned from the Sheriff as uncollectable. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye. These taxes are still payable but the Treasurer/Sheriff are not pursuing payment.

Representative from Eakes Office Equipment, Christian Pohlenz and Sean Jenkins were present to give additional information on a proposed new telephone system. The board requested a cost comparison for outright purchase as opposed to a lease agreement. No decision made at this time.

Interim Weed Superintendent Melissa Grover was present to give an update on the weed department. Grover had informed the board that one of the weed department vehicles is out of commission but has been fixed by Sides & Milburn. Grover informed the board that the

State inspector was here last week and they discussed new weeds to add to the list of noxious weeds in Sheridan County. The board will consider.

Kling made a motion at 11:50 A.M. to go into executive session with County Attorney Jamian Simmons and Interim Weed Superintendent Melissa Grover to protect potential litigation. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Kling made a motion at 12:29 P.M. to come out of executive session. No decision made. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Adjourn: 12:50 P.M.

Attest: Sindy L. Coburn, Clerk

James Krotz, Chairman