

## COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

JUNE 17, 2025

The Sheridan County Commissioners met in regular session and by Zoom (ID#87981717732 Passcode# 625274) at 9:15 A.M. on June 17, 2025. All members present along with Clerk Sindy Coburn, Renee Thies, Tina Skinner, Carol Stouffer, Nic Rosane 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 June 11, 2025.

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 6-10-2025 with corrections. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

The board audited and approved claims.

Weed Superintendent Melissa Grover presented a letter extending the period of Black-Tailed Prairie Dog force control recently imposed on six parcels. This letter extends the date to August 15, 2025 to give adequate time for the grasses to go dormant for better conditions for the use of Zinc Phosphide.

Commissioner Krotz presented the board with a letter of support he had written for support of the efforts of the 4-H Foundation to renovate and expand the building at the fairgrounds in Gordon. Kling made a motion to sign the letter of support for the renovations. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Interim Road Superintendent Rod Norton and Nic Rosane were present for opening of the gravel crushing bids. The two bids received were from Kustom Rock Crushing in Gordon at \$7.85/ton and Western Construction in Rapid City at \$7.74/ton. Western Construction was not able to deliver until September. Both bids had fuel surcharge requirements. The bid from Western Construction was significantly lower. Messersmith made a motion to accept the bid from Kustom Rock Crushing of Gordon for \$7.85/ton. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Building & Grounds Superintendent Jeff Davis was not available.

Sheriff Jeff Brewer was not available.

USDA Animal Damage Control Officer Tim Brewer was present to answer any questions the board had about the contract renewal. Kling made a motion to accept and renew the new contract at \$36,788.95 contingent to budget constraints for 2025-26 year. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

State Senator Tanya Storer was present to give the board an overview of the legislative session that just ended. Storer stated that over 700 bills were introduced with only approximately 300 being passed.

Gregg Mooney and Mike Bowden (by zoom) health insurance consultants with the Nebraska Association of County Officials met with the board to explain recent changes to the NACO health plans. The County left the NACO plan a couple of years ago and went with Medica for lower premiums and other options. The board agreed to look at a proposal from them.

Budget Consultant Caleb Johnson visited with the board via telephone about sinking funds for various offices. The board will meet with some departments next meeting to discuss this further.

Public Comment: The board returned a phone call to County Surveyor Carl Gilbert to discuss funding available for work to be done to locate corners.

Adjourn: 12:50 P.M.

Attest: Cindy L. Coburn, Clerk

James Krotz, Chairman