

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

The Sheridan County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:15 A.M. on September 23, 2025. All members present along with Clerk Sindy Coburn, Renee Thies, 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 September 17, 2025.

Messersmith made a motion to accept the agenda. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye. Messersmith made a motion to approve the minutes of 9-16-2025. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

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

County Treasurer Renee Thies presented her report on pledged securities insuring County deposits in excess of the FDIC maximum held in our local depository banks.

Thies also presented the County Tax Certificate prepared by her office. Kling made a motion to accept Resolution #2025-21 authorizing the County Treasurer to issue tax sale certificates covering delinquent taxes upon any and all parcels of real estate within the confines of Sheridan County, that have been offered for one or more consecutive years and not sold for want of bidders. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Interim Road Superintendent Rod Norton informed the board that the Nebraska Department of Transportation has installed 13 traffic counters on collector roads in the county.

Norton stated that on October 1 a NIRMA representative will be giving a Motor Grader Safety Class at the shop in Rushville.

Weed Superintendent Melissa Grover was not present but had 4 force control letters for the board to sign. Kling made a motion to approve the following force control notices.

Joan Williams NW1/4 9-31-44; Rick Westlake Pt L3, All of L4, S1/2NW1/4 & SW1/4 4-30-46; Jean Rucker E1/2 & E1/2W1/2 28-34-46; Wayne Eric and Maria Scherbarth W1/2 7-30-46. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Building Superintendent Jeff Davis reported that the metal detectors for the County and District courtrooms have been shipped and should arrive by the end of the week.

At 11 A.M. The board opened a public hearing to hear comments on the proposed Final Tax Request for 2025-26. Present for the hearing were Clerk Coburn, Treasurer Thies, Clerk of the District Court Clerk Stouffer and the board members. This hearing was published in the Sheridan County Journal Star on 9-17-2025 and on the website for the County. With no public present and no testimony the hearing was closed at 11:15 A.M.

At 11:15 A.M. the board opened a public hearing to hear comments on the proposed budget for 2025-2026. Present for the hearing were Clerk Coburn, Treasurer Thies, Clerk of the District Court Clerk Stouffer and the board members. This hearing was published in the Sheridan County Journal Star of 9-17-2025 and on the website for the County. At 11:30 A.M. the hearing was closed.

Kling made a motion to adopt Resolution #2025-22 setting the 2025-2026 property tax request for the General Fund at \$4,399,498.01 and the Building Fund at \$169,428.59. Messersmith seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Messersmith made a motion to approve Resolution #2025-23 adopting the 2025-2026 budget. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

The board conducted a Jail Inspection.

Public Comment: None

Adjourn: Noon

Attest: Cindy L. Coburn, Clerk

James Krotz, Chairman