

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

NOVEMBER 25, 2025

The Sheridan County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:15 A.M. on November 25, 2025. Krotz and Kling present along with Clerk Sindy Coburn, Clerk of District Court Carol Stouffer, Assessor Tina Skinner, Treasurer Renee Thies 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 website and published in the Sheridan County Journal Star on November 19, 2025.

Kling made a motion to accept the agenda. Krotz seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye. Kling made a motion to approve the minutes of 11-18-2025 with corrections. Krotz seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

County Treasurer Renee Thies presented the board her Pledged Security Report.

Interim Road Superintendent Rod Norton informed the board that his department is spot graveling and working in the Hughbanks pit. Norton reminded the board that he is going to be gone next week.

Chairman Krotz informed the group that he and a representative from Great Plains and Jeff Davis will be doing a walk thru the building to review the wiring for internet and telephones. Krotz stated that Great Plains has informed him that they would honor the equipment quote that they gave several month ago.

Weed Superintendent Melissa Grover presented the board with her office evaluation from the State Inspector. They look at her

licenses, inspections and all the paperwork. Grover scored 1000 points of the 1000 points possible.

Grover also supplied the board with an inventory of her chemical, 2025 spray log, education notice log and her inspection log.

Grover informed the board that she has gotten a quote of \$1,000 from Johnson Spray Foam to insulate the building that houses the chemicals. Grover stated that she has enough in her budget to cover this expense.

Building Superintendent- not available

Sheriff-not available

Clerk of the District Court Carol Stouffer visited with the board about the State Network for the internet. Her office is having more difficulties running their equipment due to the fact that the State network isn't big enough to accommodate all the offices. The board assured her that they are working on getting the County new internet as soon as possible.

Extension Educator Caitlin Roe met with the board to visit about Rural Prosperity in Nebraska. Roe stated that on June 5-7, 2026 the Panhandle Frontier Finds will be doing a 3 day region-wide shopping adventure across western Nebraska.

Roe also informed the board about local food systems.

Kling made a motion to accept the Extension Boards recommendation of Mark Haller to serve on the Extension Board. Krotz seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

Kling made a motion to authorize Krotz to docu-sign the addendum to the Interlocal Agreement with the University to provide

Extension Service to the County. Krotz seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye.

County Attorney Jamian Simmons visited with the board about an upcoming tax sale foreclosure.

Simmons visited with the board about salaries for the next term of office. Simmons stated that she plans to run for one more term maybe two. She feels that it may be time to separate the County Attorney from the other officials. She explained that in the future we may have a hard time getting anyone to run for the office if we do not increase the salary.

Simmons provided the board with a spreadsheet she created showing the various wages that County Attorneys across the State are getting. Simmons showed the case loads that each county had.

Simmons announced that attorney Andy Taylor has joined her firm and will serve as part time Deputy County Attorney. Taylor is the Elected County Attorney in Brown County.

The board assured Simmons that they are looking at increasing the salaries and will review her spreadsheet. They asked her to come back with an amount she would like to see offered.

Public Comment: None

Adjourn: 11:50 A.M.

Attest: Sindy Coburn, County Clerk

James Krotz, Chairman