

COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

MARCH 17, 2026

The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:15 A.M. on March 17, 2026. All members present along with County Clerk Sindy Coburn, 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 published in the Sheridan County Journal Star on March 11, 2026 and posted on the official website.

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 3-10-2026. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call all voted aye.

The board audited and approved claims.

The board visited about a possible increase to the County Building Permit fee. The board will invite Zoning Administrator Mike Wellnitz to the next meeting to discuss with him.

Messersmith made a motion to appoint Trisha DeWeese to the County Tourism Board. Kling seconded the motion. With a roll call vote all voted aye. DeWeese manages the Sands Motel in Gordon.

Interim Road Superintendent Rod Norton reported that Progressive Insurance has issued a check in the amount of \$17,955 for the bridge that was damaged on 370th Trail in Northern Sheridan County and he has given the check to the County Treasurer.

Norton informed the board that his department is working on gathering all the surplus items for sale on Big Iron and will present a list at the next meeting.

Norton stated that he will be advertising for an open position in the Hay Springs shop.

Sheriff Jeff Brewer reported that his department may be over budget in the wage department. With employees gone to the academy a lot of overtime hours are being logged.

Weed Superintendent Melissa Grover presented her year-end reports. The board accepted her reports and commended her for her high marks she received from the Nebraska Department of Ag.

Grover also reported on the positive outcome of a recent Forced Control prairie dog plan. The board advised Grover to visit with the County Attorney about the collection of costs for the control.

Grover informed the board that she has hired Chris Bubba Heiser as the part-time summer sprayer.

Valerie Beel visited with the board about the relationship between the County and the Ag Society. Beel needed a better understanding of the relationship in order to be more effective in writing a grant application on behalf of the Ag Society.

Public Comment: None

Adjourn: 11:30 A.M.

Attest: Sindy L. Coburn County Clerk

James Krotz, Chairman