

Now on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Mike "Buck" Mader presiding. Other members present were Joe Bainter, Kyle Ahlenstorf, Joe Pratt County Attorney and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Guest was The Sheridan Sentinel.

At 8:00 a.m. Mader called the meeting to order.

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor came to the table. Utility Construction Request was received from Rural Telephone for an area in the very southeast part of the county. Bainter made a motion to approve and sign the Utility Construction Permit seconded by Mader. Carried 2-0. Bracht will get the paperwork sent in. Culverts were received on Monday. The county is preparing mixed paper bales to be picked up this week. Noxious Weed is treating prairie dogs. Various roads/roadwork was discussed by the board and Herskowitz. The board discussed the graders that are being worked on by Foley and Vic Winter. Bracht will contact KCAMP about submitting claims for glass that has broken out of the graders. At 8:19 a.m. Mader made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of 10 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Bainter seconded. Carried 2-0. Present were the board, Bracht, Pratt and Herskowitz. The door opened at 8:29 with no decision being made. There was a brief discussion about the Bomag.

Pratt distributed correspondence to go out to two landowners in the northwest part of the county. The house on Pine is currently being cleaned out. Hopefully will be completed this week so notice can be placed in the paper listing the house for sale.

Two treasurer abatements were presented. Mader made a motion to approve and sign the abatements, seconded by Bainter. Carried 2-0.

Mindy Harting, Appraiser, came to the table. Harting presented computer bids from CK Technologies and NexTech. Mader made a motion to approve purchasing a Dell computer from CK Technologies who had the low bid at \$1,770.00. Harting advised the board that she has two applicants for the job in her office. Harting distributed the 2023 Abstract of Appraised and Assessed Values. Appraised values have gone up slightly from 2022 and the assessed value has gone down slightly (due to ag land). Harting advised the board Sheridan County would probably be out of compliance with the state on values. There was a brief discussion on this. Harting will have to attend a tax appeal hearing in Topeka unless paperwork is received in time so that it can be done via Zoom.

Justin Armknecht, City Superintendent, came to the table to discuss with the board the citywide cleanup. This is slated for the last week in March. The board confirmed no tires will be picked up and no chemicals. The county will have the household hazardous waste trailer available.

Donavan Rogers, Vyve Business (formerly Eagle Communications) came to the table. Rogers showed a proposal for landline phone service and internet service for the county. At this point there is no wireless service available. There was discussion about phone service. Rogers will get revised numbers to Bracht which will include the EMS building and will meet with the board again.

Bainter made a motion to approve the February 21, 2023 minutes as presented, February 24, 2023 payroll and February 28, 2023 warrants. Mader seconded. Carried 2-0.

The following warrants and payroll were approved and signed by the board:

General	\$ 147,222.47	Road & Bridge	\$ 51,126.03
E911	\$ 2,481.99	Conceal Carry	\$ 12.95
Nox. Weed	\$ 6,277.86	Stray Animal	\$ 619.00
Publ Transp	\$ 2,041.62	Landfill	\$ 694.30

At 9:30 a.m. with no further business, Mader made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bainter. Carried 2-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the commissioner room.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk

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Chairman