

Sherman County Commissioners Meeting for May 30th

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The May 30, 2025 meeting of the Sherman County Commissioner’s opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion was made and approved to accept today’s agenda. Motion was made and approved to approve minutes from May 15, 2025. Motion was made and approved to pay bills in the amount of \$119,927.94. Commissioner Chris Zimmerman shared that he attended the Land and Sky meeting on May 20, 2025. The cover for the gazebo that will be placed at the Highway 27/Smoky Garden turnoff, has been ordered, but shared that funds are still needed to cover the total amount. Motion was made and approved to accept the contract renewal for Adams & Brown, CPA’s. Sheriff Chad Mann shared that since the rain, the roof on the jail is still leaking. Chairman Steve Evert stated that Weath-

ercraft Roofing gave him a bid to tighten the screws on the beef barn, the show barn, and the poultry barn at the fairgrounds. Motion was made and approved to accept the bid from Weathercraft, not to exceed \$3,000. Solid Waste Management Public Hearing: No changes were made at this time. Motion was made and approved to close Solid Waste Management Public Hearing. Chief of Police Jason Earhardt requested an Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel. Appraiser Rachelle Standley handed the board the changes that have come from the State of Kansas. As of January 1, 2026, more personal property exemptions will go into affect, such as for golf carts, etc. Standley requested an Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion was made and approved to reappoint Standley for four more years. Standley explained that every six years, parcels must be physically inspected. There are 6,400 parcels in Sherman County. Her

department has begun to do inspections, so their county vehicles will be seen around the county until this has been completed. Standley also explained that the Scou-lar Crush Plant has been approved for the 10- year EDX tax exemption, which has provided 31 jobs. This exemption can be requested for any manufacturing type of properties. Citizen Jacob Dippert requested for the mud races to be approved in the arena, September 13, 2025. He explained that Road & Bridge will dig the pits and get the arena ready, and will close everything up afterwards. The Kansas Mud Racers Orga-nization have their own insurance. Dippert shared that B&K Pumping will have porta-potties on the grounds. Dippert explained that this organization participates in several cities in the Midwest, and there can easily be 50-60 trucks participate at any given event. As Sherman County will host no stock car races this season, this event will help make up for some of the revenue loss. Dippert

stated they are hoping to have 10-20 trucks here from Colorado. Motion was made and approved to reserve the fairgrounds for September 12-14, 2025. Prayer & Action leaders shared that a group of high schoolers will be in town during the month of June to work on properties for disabled, low income and elderly. This group is sent out by the Salina Diocese and the properties have been selected and ap-proved. They requested that land fees be waived, but it was not necessary, as the waste for each household will not exceed the limit. Motion was made and approved for a letter of support for the City’s backup generator at Dispatch. Sherman County Attorney Brett Mangan stated that in prior minutes, Kenny Sander-son had been listed as the liaison for Smoky Gardens. Last meeting discussion was to have Rod Roeder be liaison. Motion was made and approved to make the change to Roeder being the liaison. Meeting adjourned.

Local Students Volunteer at Grinnell




There was a group of Brewster Bulldogs and Goodland Cowboys that went to Grinnell yesterday to help with clean up. Kaley Luckert (Tuttle), former Gove County resident, organized the group. They were a group kids and their moms that were able to help. That was simply their mission. No more. No less. They were not doing it to raise money for a group or sport. They were a group capable and willing to make a difference. It would be so nice to see church groups, sports teams, or companies organize groups to go volunteer their time. They have plenty of supplies. They need manpower.

picture and caption submitted by Candi Owens

JUNE Specialty Clinics

- ▶ **DERMATOLOGY**
Kathani Amin Vahabzadeh, MD | June 13
- ▶ **GASTROENTEROLOGY**
Alexander Ende, MD | June 19, 26
Jessica Ramirez, APRN | June 19, 26
- ▶ **GENERAL SURGERY**
David Beck, MD | June 12, 19
- ▶ **NEUROSURGERY**
Michael Rauzzino, MD, FACS | June 13
- ▶ **NUTRITION SERVICES**
Karma Huck, RD, LD | June 10
- ▶ **OB/GYN**
David Forschner, MD | June 18
Laura Rokosz, MD | June 4
- ▶ **ONCOLOGY**
Robert Rodriguez, MD | June 3, 17
Amanda Volchko, PA | June 10, 24
- ▶ **OPHTHALMOLOGY**
Robert Courtney, MD | June 4
Robert Fante, MD | June 27
Alexandra Levitt, MD | June 11
Andrew Zheng, MD | June 18
- ▶ **ORTHOPEDIC**
Sean Baran, MD | June 1
Rajesh Bazaz, MD | June 23
Michael Eby, MD | June 11
Benjamin Sears, MD | June 9
- ▶ **PAIN MANAGEMENT**
Jeffery Meyer, MD | June 5, 6, 19, 20
- ▶ **PODIATRY**
Thomas Eddy, DPM | Mon, Thurs, Fri
- ▶ **PULMONOLOGY**
Anthony Khalifah, MD | June 19
- ▶ **UROLOGY**
Srinivas Samavedi, MD | June 17
- ▶ **WOUND CARE**
Jessica Gittinger, APRN | Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs



Telemedicine
NEPHROLOGY June 9
ENDOCRINOLOGY June 12, 26
RHEUMATOLOGY June 16

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Celebrating the Men in our Lives

June is a time to celebrate dads and granddads for Father’s Day—but it’s also Men’s Health Month.

This month is a great reminder to encourage all men in your life to schedule their annual physical and stay up to date on age-appropriate screenings. A little prevention today helps to ensure we can count on them for years to come.

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