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The Johnson County Commissioners are taking applications and resumes for the position of Sheriff to be appointed to fill the term ending with election in 2026. Johnson County Nebraska is about 45 minutes southeast of Lincoln and consists of 5,290 residents. The Office has six deputy positions funded and filled. The jail houses 13 inmates with seven dispatcher/jailers, a jail supervisor, office manager and part time book keeper. The current fiscal year budget for the Sheriff’s Office stands at $968,982 and the jail budget is $638,493. Johnson County pays medical benefits for the employee.

The Sheriff’s Office provides police services in a contract with the City of Tecumseh along with dispatching and jail services for the Pawnee County Sheriff’s Office. There are two school districts in the county having three school sites in Sterling, Tecumseh and Cook. The Sheriff’s Office has recently had a significant technology upgrade and planning for the renovation of the 911 systems. The county’s 911 dispatch provides services for Rural Fire Departments and Rescue Squads in Pawnee and Johnson Counties.

Applicants must have applicable college, military and or employment experience, be of good moral character with no felony or misdemeanor convictions. The applicant must possess a valid driver’s license and must be able to speak, read, write and comprehend the English language. Applicants must be Nebraska certified law enforcement, have good communications skills and leadership abilities to work with employees, other elected officials and the community.

Interested applicants need to be able to produce complete work and residence history, list of references and be willing to sign a release of information request form and pass a background investigation. The Johnson County Commissioners will determine the process for the selection of a Sheriff.

An outline of specific programs, technology, expectations and other important considerations will be provided to applicants. The point of contact is Johnson County Clerk Kathy Nieveen, 402-335-6300. Johnson County Clerk, P.O. Box 416, Tecumseh, NE 68450. clerk@johnsoncounty.ne.gov