



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
February 7, 2017

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody, and Lewis Herbaugh. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Treasurer Andrea Thomas, Twyla Witt, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng, Don Wilson and Bob Broweleit.

Chairman Seeley stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested.

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on January 26, 2017.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to adopt the February 7, 2017 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve the January 17, 2017 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 26, 2017. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none.

Motion carried.

Road discussion:

The request from Miles Maseberg to use the county drag on their road was discussed. The county no longer has a drag that could be used. Repair to the CAT loader fender was discussed. Lewis is trying to find a used fender that could be used. Snow maintenance routes were discussed.

Lloyd Smith advised the board the Thomas County did not receive any bridge grant funds this year.

Thomas County Treasurer advised the board that the previous pledged securities was not completely covering the county above the \$250,000 FDIC insurance at the bank. She has taken care of the problem and the county is now covered completely.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to accept the pledged securities with Security First Bank. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Don Wilson visited with the board about the 2015-2016 audit he was completing.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to authorize Chairman Seeley to sign the management discussion letter with Don Wilson. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Moody. Nays – none. Abstain – Seeley. Motion carried.

Bob Broweleit visited with the board about hiring a Marketing Director for Thomas County. The board will visit with the county attorney about whether they should advertise for this position and have a job description and contract drawn up. The Visitors Committee will need to get together with the county attorney to draw up the paperwork.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to pay L & L Gravel claim in the amount of \$225.60. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Abstain – Herbaugh. Motion carried.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to pay payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	191.10
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2332.82
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	4471.50
CARS	TIRES	622.04
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	148.57
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	363.33
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	628.51
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	598.42
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	103.54
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	27.05
H. BECKER	SERVICES	589.5
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	48.70



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HODGES CENEX INC	FUEL	63.77
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	77.04
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1692.34
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	5.49
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	959.58
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL/PROPANE	670.15
SANDHILLS R C & D	DUES	50.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7567.76
SECURITY FIRST BANK	STOP PYMT	32.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	13.35
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	25.47
U S BANK	OFFICE CHAIR	191.07
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		23385.83

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	651.41
B'S ENTERPRISES INC	BLADES/PLANKS	3072.00
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1764.66
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIR	1712.46
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	169.68
HERBAUGH, LEWIS	MILEAGE	18.19
HODGES CENEX INC	FUEL	663.38
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	225.60
LAWSON PRODUCTS	SUPPLIES	717.73
METROPOLITAN COMPOUNDS, INC	SUPPLIES	1019.90
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	27.96
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	163.63
NEBRASKA PETERBILT FORD	REPAIR	1114.33
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIR	2252.38
PEARSON'S INC	AUTO GATE	3448.57
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	648.92
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1493.63
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
WENQUIST, INC	TOOLS	87.97
SALARIES		5664.81

PRETRIAL FUND-

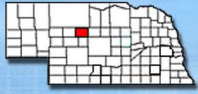
VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	69.32
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	66.14
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	173.53
CALLS GARAGE INC	SERVICES	90.70
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	SERVICES	379.85
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	49.50
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	208.90
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	41.01
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	26.10
JUNE EMERSON	MILEAGE	48.15
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	57.34
AMY GOODRICH	MILEAGE	60.99
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.90
HODGES CENEX INC	FUEL	57.90
JENNIFER HOLTHUS	MILEAGE	66.34
HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE	PUBLISHING	4.49
CR JEWELL	MILEAGE	54.57
MCI	PHONE	68.85
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER, INC	SUPPLIES	23.21
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	83.71
SUE PEARMAN	EXPENSES	220.65
RYAN RIDENOUR	MILEAGE	26.75
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	32.74
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	705.86



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BLAKE THOMPSON	MILEAGE	26.75
ZACK WAKLEY	MILEAGE	7.49
SALARIES		2345.99

PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION

FUND-

MIPS INC	SERVICES	500.00
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LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	161.68
CARSON INDUSTRIES	SUPPLIES	89.95
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	49.50
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	116.27
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	109.63
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	11.53
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	20.74
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL/PROPANE	262.44
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	272.54
SALARIES		1135.90

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
CARS	SERVICES	61.12
MICHELLE MCINTOSH-USBORNE BOOKS	BOOKS	170.79
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	2.69
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	64.05
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	52.48
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	402.83
SALARIES		314.07

Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported that the pickup work has been completed. New depreciation tables have been established for Thedford and rural homes. The West Central District meeting will be held March 23rd in Ogallala. Office fee report for the month of January was presented.

Sheriff reported that the forest contract is tentatively approved. The new contract will also include \$1,000 towards the purchase of an enclosed trailer for the gator.

Emergency Manager reported that he needs to get a road sign made for Avey Ln. He also reports that the state is pushing for dispatch centers to consolidate, Region 26 already covers 8 counties.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve all office/fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

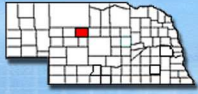
The board received a resignation letter from Pam Reed for the Thomas County Visitors Committee. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to accept the resignation of Pam Reed from the Thomas County Visitors Committee. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Herbaugh, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The Thomas County Visitors committee recommends that Michaela Iwanski replace Pam Reed on the board. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to appoint Michaela Iwanski to the Thomas County Visitors Committee. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The board received one letter of interest for the Thomas County Planning Commission from Judy Rath. Motion made by Seeley and second by Herbaugh to appoint Judy Rath to the Thomas County Planning Commission to replace George Mintle, with a term expiring in 2018. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion on the fan or heater for the front hall was tabled until we receive information from Frey's Heating and Air.

The Thomas County Airport Authority asked to have Steve Reed appointed to fill the vacancy on their board. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to appoint Steve Reed to fill the vacancy until the next election in 2018. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve Resolution #2017-3, appointing Lewis Herbaugh as the representative to the Lexington Area Solid Waste board. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment. Twyla Witt addressed the board about the legislative bills for this session.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk