



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 1, 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, Sheriff Gary Eng, Twyla Witt, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Ed Schukei, Clinton Harvey, Keith Hartman, Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Treasurer Andrea Thomas, Julie Bain-US Forest Service.

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 July 20, 2017.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to adopt the August 1, 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 July 18, 2017 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on July 27, 2017. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Seeley announced the board was entering into closed session at 9:32 a.m. to conduct performance appraisals of the road employees. Those asked to stay in the closed session were Kurt Arganbright, Lloyd Smith, Ed Schukei, Keith Hartman, and Clinton Harvey.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to exit closed session at 10:48 a.m. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays –none. Motion carried.

No action taken on performance evaluations.

Road discussion:

Discussion was held on use of county equipment to fight fire. The Clerk will check with NIRMA and Joe Bob Atkins on the coverage of the county equipment.

Maple Street north and south needs patched with cold mix.

The Clerk informed the board about a request from Bonnie Kennedy to fix the driveway access to their cabin on S. Seneca. The board asked the road men to check it out and get pictures back to them after the meeting.

Lloyd Smith reported that Dollar General had contacted him about a new location and the zoning requirements for a parking lot. The Clerk will contact him and provide information needed.

Correspondence presented. The 2020 Census request was reviewed and the board decided to not participate in the address questionnaire.

Julie Bain with the US Forest Service talked with the board about their plans at the forest to handle the Eclipse crowd.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to pay the L & L Gravel claim in the amount of \$1,878.04. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Abstain – Herbaugh. Motion carried.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	216.19
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2322.23
BLAINE COUNTY	MILEAGE	74.90
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	4964.12
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	173.67
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	358.82
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	1178.54
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	449.12
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	318.30
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	9.89
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.70
LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK	PROBATION FEES	849.58



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CHAUNCEY J. LINN	AUGUST LAWN	520.00
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS	REGISTRATION	50.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	3.99
NEBRASKA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOC	REGISTRATION	784.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	994.86
PRESTO X	SERVICES	52.00
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	2199.30
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	77.48
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7696.03
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	20.37
THOMAS CO TREASURER	1ST QRTR EXTEN	5529.78
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		23563.38

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	656.45
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1962.14
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIR/TIRES	1128.42
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	47.28
HAAKE FIVE, LLC	FUEL	1383.43
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	1878.04
MID-AMERICA RESEARCH CHEMICAL	SUPPLIES	450.04
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	47.98
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	198.46
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	FEES	3671.22
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	1046.13
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1815.13
MICHAEL D GILES/TRIPLE G REDIMIX	GRAVEL	9202.73
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		6905.71

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	68.30
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VISITORS FUND-

WATCHFIRE BY TIME-O-MATIC	SERVICES	200.00
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EXTENSION FUND-

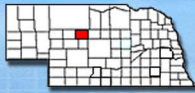
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	248.39
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	63.11
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	209.97
GRANT COUNTY NEWS	SUBSCRIPTION	25.00
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.90
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	356.00
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER, INC	FUEL	38.69
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	154.56
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	64.43
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1250.93
SALARIES		4099.37

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	165.60
MARCY ANDERSEN	POSTAGE	2.50
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	66.79
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	116.50
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	137.46
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	48.02
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	27.12
NEBRASKA LIBRARY COMMISSION	OVERDRIVE	500.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	389.82
SYNCB/AMAZON	PROGRAM	229.75
SALARIES		1735.52

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
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NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	2.47
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	78.94
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	48.94
SALARIES		292.99

Office reports:

Clerk presented fee report for her office. Custer Public Power will be sending someone up to trim trees by power lines. The board would just like the tree limbs trimmed that are causing a hazard to the wires.

Dollar General zoning letter was discussed.

Treasurer reported that she will be attending a legislative meeting August 16th in Kearney.

Sheriff reported that this weekend the bow hunters will be at the forest. He also gave a report on the fair.

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to sign the engagement letter with McChesney Martin and Sagehorn for budget services. Roll call vote: Ayes - Moody, Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to sign the Subgrant Agreement for Child Support Enforcement Services with the Thomas County Attorney. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to approve Resolution #2017-7, General Assistance Policy. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Herbaugh to sign the Annual Certification form for the STP & HBP Buyout funds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Review of the Thomas County Employee handbook was tabled until the August 15th meeting.

Twyla Witt presented the board information on the Solar Eclipse.

Chairman Seeley recessed the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Chairman Seeley reconvened the meeting at 1:05 p.m.

Board members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Lewis Herbaugh. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Andrea Thomas, Susan Maline, and Sheriff Gary Eng.

Budget papers were reviewed. The board will review again at their August 15th meeting.

Budget hearing will be scheduled for September 5th.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve the agreement with GIS Workshop to provide a zoning layer on our GIS website. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No other public comment at this time.

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

Meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

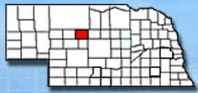
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of 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



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