

Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 19, 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, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Treasurer Andrea Thomas, Wayne Rodocker, Josh Hall and Bethany Johnston-Central Sandhills Area Extension Educator.

Chairman Seeley stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to adopt the September 19, 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 September 5, 2017 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on September 14, 2017. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Tom Licking had contacted Lewis about getting some base material for T Lane in trade for labor from grading and clay material he provided the county. The board agreed to provide him with 8 (25 ton) loads of base material for the trade. Homestead Ln was discussed. This road will be graded the same as the other pink classified roads, which is 2 routine grading's per year.

Lloyd told the board that the county could purchase the millings located by Halsey from the NDOT, approximately 1,000 ton at \$10 per ton. The board directed Lloyd to confirm this purchase with the NDOT.

Wayne Rodocker visited with the board about grading on Rodocker Ln and Rosehill Rd. The board agreed that Rodocker Ln was entitled to 2 grading's per year. The speed bump concern located at the mailbox/autogate was discussed.

John Seeley visited with Julie Bain at the US Forest Service about trimming/cleaning the trees along Andersen Ln so that the grader can get through to maintain.

N. Seneca Ave needs to have dirt hauled and placed along the shoulders. Purdum Rd shoulders look good.

Discussion was held on having Clint Harvey helping during the winter snow season. The board agreed to this action.

Discussion was held on the Murphy Tractor tour. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to allow the road employees to attend the John Deere trip with all expenses paid by Murphy Tractor and the employees would need to use vacation time for this trip. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on new pickups for the road department. The decision was made to advertise for sealed bids for the October 17th meeting on either a ½ ton or ¾ ton single cab pickup.

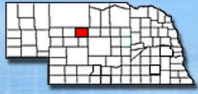
Correspondence presented. The Big Iron letter stated that the cheater axle sold on the September 13th auction for \$1,700. The commission totaled \$204.00, the county will receive \$1,496.00 from the sale.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve the L & L Gravel claim of \$1,590.88 for mud rock. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Abstain – Herbaugh. Motion carried.

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

GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN	790.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	804.40
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	458.75
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	90.17
LISA ENG	REFUND	260.53



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EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	26.34
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	149.80
LIED LODGE & CONFERENCE CENTER	LODGING	404.00
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	COURT CELL	35.09
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1243.05
PAMELA MOODY	REFUND	4.50
NACO	REGISTRATION	100.00
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SERVICES	107.00
SALLY SAWYER	REFUND	43.40
SECRETARY OF STATE	SUPPLIES/REGIST	45.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	22.10
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT	REGISTRATION	90.00

ROAD FUND-

CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	48.88
HAAKE FIVE, LLC	FUEL	211.67
L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL	1590.88
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SERVICES	168.00
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	3199.36
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68

EXTENSION FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	9.02
NE TRAVEL ASSOCIATION	MEMBER DUES	200.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	7.11
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	194.70
GRANT COUNTY NEWS	PRINTING	6.58
HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE	PRINTING	5.18
LUCY'S	FAIR SUPPIES	14.37
MAILFINANCE	POSTAGE	148.45
MCI	PHONE	45.87

LIBRARY FUND-

NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SERVICES	7.00
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BOOKMOBILE FUND-

NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SERVICES	37.00
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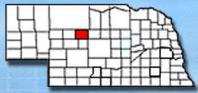
Office reports:

Clerk reported on attending the Register of Deeds workshop in Kearney on September 15, 2017. Some upcoming workshops include West Central District meeting in Ogallala on September 28th, Legislative Conference in Gering on October 12th and Election workshop in Kearney on October 18th & 19th.

Treasurer presented her office fee report for the month of August. Letters were sent to owners for delinquent tax last week. She also reported on the tax credits for landowners this tax season.

Sheriff gave an activity report for his office.

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



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The board reviewed the 2017 annual office inventory statements. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve the 2017 Annual office inventory statements as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Herbaugh to approve Resolution #2017-10, transferring \$10,000 from the Thomas County Bookmobile fund to the Thomas County Library Fund. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to approve Resolution #2017-11, for distribution of forest reserve funds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Josh Hall visited with the board about the clay material the county hauled from his place. Damage was done to his road. Agreement was that the county would provide material to repair the road after done hauling. Agreement was reached that the county would provide Josh with 7 (15 ton) loads of mud rock for repairing his road. The county will just haul as the mud rock is available and unload on a flat spot at his place.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to approve Resolution #2017-12, setting final allocation of levy authority to all political subdivisions subject to county levy authority. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Bethany Johnston talked with the board about finding a Thomas County replacement for the Central Sandhills Area Extension board. Three candidates were provided to pick from. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to appoint Kris Rasmussen to the Central Sandhills Area Extension Board to replace Zak Wakely. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the description for the part time visitor committee coordinator position. No action taken. Tabled until the Visitors committee can come to answer some questions about this position.

No other public comment.

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 11:46 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, October 3, 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