

Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting January 16, 2018

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, Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Keith Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, and Gregg O'Brien of NMC.

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 4, 2018.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to adopt the January 16, 2018 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve the January 2, 2018 organizational meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 11, 2018. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve the January 2, 2018 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 11, 2018. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Herbaugh, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

Cleaning the work site from the free material was discussed. Lewis will get rental prices for the excavator, by the week and delivery charge. We also need to get a location to stock pile the material found before renting the excavator. Lewis will also talk to Jeffres about side dump trucks to haul the material. Decisions will be made at the February 6th meeting. Keith reported that the dump truck had more repairs required than what was originally thought. The rough estimate for repairs would probably be around \$7,500.

Discussion was held on the letter the board received from the Logan County Attorney about Wild Horse Creek Rd. This will be tabled until the February 6th meeting.

Discussion was held on the Drug and Alcohol policy for CDL drivers. This was tabled until Gary attends the training on January 17th.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GNERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN EXPENSE	240.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	360.71
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
LOREN EATON	ANTENNA	8.58
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	37.57
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	71.94
LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	HOUSING	250.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1372.12
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	33.49
NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSN	2018 DUES	185.00
SANDHILLS WEED MANAGEMENT AREA	2018 DUES	200.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	COPIES/POSTAGE	4.45
ROAD FUND-		
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	6.64
VISITOR FUND-		
FM 92.3 KBEAR COUNTRY	ADVERTISING	150.00
SANDHILLS JOURNEY SCENIC BYWAY	PROMOTION	575.00



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Office reports:

Clerk reported that the Visitors Committee had informed her that they had hired Twyla Witt for the coordinator.

Discussion was held on the upcoming Planning workshop in Kearney in March. Assessor report was that it looks like Ag value will remain at \$465/per acre for 2018, definite decision will be made in March. The process of switching over from Deeded acres to GIS acres will be completed this year. Election work is beginning for the Primary Election in May. Treasurer presented financial report for December 2017.

Sheriff presented his quarterly fee report for the last quarter of 2017. He also discussed the possibility of sharing a deputy with Grant County.

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

Sheriff Eng presented the 2018 USDA Forest Service Law Enforcement Agreement to the board. The contract is for the same amount as last year of \$7,800. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve the 2018 USDA Forest Service Law Enforcement Agreement for \$7,800. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Carol Conard had dropped off the Annual Weed report last Thursday. The board reviewed the report. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve the annual Weed report. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment. Gregg O'Brien had information on new or used belly dump trailers for the board to review. No action taken.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 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.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners	Attest:	
John B. Seeley, Chairman	Lorissa Hartman, Clerk	