



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 20, 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, Frank Warren, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Sheriff Gary Eng, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, and Kort Hamilton.

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 March 8, 2018.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to adopt the March 20, 2018 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 March 6, 2018 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on March 15, 2018. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Road employee Hartman reported that the 163H grader was broke down last week, CAT repaired the part and the machine was put back together on the 19th. Road employee Schukei reported that the road by Rodocker's had been graded and that Windmill Rd will need some patching. The road men worked on the dump truck over the winter months and have it looking good. The county is still waiting on the plans for the Werner Bridge replacement. The road men received permission from the board to purchase 2 levelers from CAT to be installed in the graders. Commissioner Moody questioned about the downed trees in the ditch on E. Antelope Valley Rd. The County Attorney stated that the tree letters for Seneca should have been sent out last week.

Chairman Seeley opened the one sealed bid for trucking at 9:40 a.m. from Hamilton Trucking for \$45, 480.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to reject the bid from Hamilton Trucking for \$45,480. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Herbaugh, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on hiring the trucks with the hourly rate contract of \$114 per hour. The board agreed to have Lewis contact Jeffres and Perret Construction to hire some side dump trailers to haul the bigger chunks. He will offer the hourly rate contract for this job. The county road men will haul the 10 loads of dirt to the site. The county will have a loader and operator at the loading site and then will have a loader at the Warren site to push the material up after several loads have been hauled. Cherry County will need to come get the material that was given to them.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Blaine and Logan County for maintenance on Wild Horse Creek Rd. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. NIRMA annual report was presented.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – Seeley. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

COMFORT INN	LODGING	284.85
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	67.87
HAAKE FIVE, LLC	FUEL	84.71
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEALS	137.41
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS	2018 DUES	75.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	121.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	BOOKMOBILE	782.25
ANDREA THOMAS	BATTERY	67.33
DONALD D WILSON	AUDIT	6500.00

ROAD FUND-



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NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	2140.34
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	163.33
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68

EXTENSION FUND-

EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	25.24
MAILFINANCE	POSTAGE	154.75
MCI	PHONE	46.43
SUE PEARMAN	MEALS	36.13

Office reports:

The clerk reported that the State will certify the races for the Primary Election on March 23rd. Ballots will be ordered following that date. The first day that ballots can be mailed out of the office will be on April 9th and the first day to vote in office at the courthouse will be on April 16th.

The Assessor reported that the Abstract of real property was filed with the State on March 15th. The GIS acres show a decrease of 4,481.29 acres in the county compared to the Deeded acres.

Hanna Keelan will be in contact with the county by the end of the week to discuss setting a date to come visit with the County Board.

The Treasurer presented her financial report for the month of February. She also discussed with the board the possibility of the county purchasing some of the delinquent taxes.

Sheriff reported that the weather symposium scheduled for March 16th had to be postponed due to the weather. No time could be found to reschedule so they will try again in the spring of 2019.

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

The Audit report for year ending June 30, 2017 is completed and on file in the Thomas County Clerk's office.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve the Audit report for year ending June 30, 2017 from Don Wilson. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment at this time.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

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

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Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk