

Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 17, 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, Gary Reiser, Royce Brown, Phillip Licking, Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Sheriff Gary Eng, Bob Broweleit, Sallie Atkins, Phillip Black and Shannon Vanderheiden.

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 April 17, 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 April 3, 2017 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on April 12, 2018. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Gary Reiser and Phillip Licking asked the board about clarification on the tree letters they received from the county attorney. They would like the county to trim the trees as they see fit as long as they are on the county right of way. Suggestion was that maybe Custer Public Power would be trimming these trees in the future. Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith will contact Custer Public Power to see if they are on the list of trees to trim.

Discussion was held on the current tree and brush policy for Thomas County. No action taken at this time.

Discussion on material for the streets in Seneca was discussed.

Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith presented a ROW road occupancy permit filed by Vaquero Ventures Management to the board. No action taken at this time since they are not the current landowners of the property in question. Once ownership has been transferred the board will revisit the permit.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to sign the Disaster Declaration for April 13, 2018 storm. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to purchase 6,000 ton of millings from Paulsen Construction at \$10 per ton. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on purchasing the flatbed equipment trailer from Jim Purdum. No action taken.

Bob Broweleit visited with the board about the person hired for the Visitors Committee. He presented resumes of the two candidates and informed the board of the Visitors Committee choice. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve the Independent Contract with Twyla Witt and the Thomas County Visitors Committee. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Herbaugh, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Phillip Black and Sallie Atkins gave a report on Congressman Adrian Smith office activities and things happening in Washington.

Shannon Vanderheiden of West Central District Health Department gave a report on services with the health department.

Purchase of belly dump trailer was discussed. One trailer has been located in Council Bluffs IA, the board requested that Keith Hartman contact the dealer and offer the \$19,999.52 for the trailer.

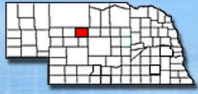
Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith discussed the Werner Bridge plans with the board.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN EXP	585.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64



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DASH MEDICAL GLOVES	SUPPLIES	38.45
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	240.55
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	ELECTION	388.41
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	6.98
FREY'S HEATING AND AIR COND INC	SERVICES	326.40
HOOKER COUNTY SHERIFF	SERVICES	25.00
RAMADA INN	LODGING	75.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	6.70
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	10.42
U S BANK	FUEL SHERIFF	44.00

ROAD FUND-

LAWSON PRODUCTS	SUPPLIES	26.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENTS	12665.25

EXTENSION FUND-

EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	290.87
BETHANY JOHNSTON	FUEL	20.13
KWIK STOP	FUEL	130.76
MCI	PHONE	46.52
	LICENSE	
THOMAS CO TREASURER	PLATE	5.50

Office reports:

Clerk's office: Early voting ballots can now be requested in office or mail. Request to update the security system in the courthouse to allow for more cameras was presented to the board for approval. The Clerk will contact Sawyer Mountain Guns to upgrade the system. Assessor office: The Statewide Equalization began today in Lincoln. The Reports and Opinion for every county is available online at the Nebraska Department of Revenue, Property Assessment Division. Treasurer presented financial report for March.

Sheriff presented quarterly fee report for his office.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to approve the Standard Assessor GIS Technical Support 5 year renewal for \$2,390 per year. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to approve the WebGIS 5 year subscription renewal for \$2,480 per year. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment. None.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

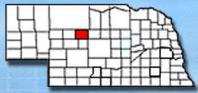
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions 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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