

Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 4, 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/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, County Sheriff Gary Eng, and Alan Atkins.

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 August 23, 2018.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to adopt the September 4, 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 August 16, 2018 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on August 23, 2018. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none.

Motion carried.

Road discussion:

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith reported that he had talked with Paul Kieper of NDOT about the S. Seneca FEMA project. Lloyd will check with him on getting \$3,500 for gravel and see if the county can get another \$3,500 for base material for the stretch of road identified.

Repairs to S. Seneca from Windmill Rd south were discussed.

Repairs to the dump truck were discussed.

Lloyd also reported that he had been in contact with the bridge contractors and the bridge beams are expected to be delivered this month.

Lloyd also reported that he had talked with the NDOT about a possible approach coming off of Highway 83 onto the airport land.

Shouldering of Windmill Rd with dirt and left over millings was discussed.

Ed will haul clay and gravel on portions of River Rd.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to enter into executive session at 10:07 a.m. to discuss personnel issues with Ed Schukei and County Attorney Kurt Arganbright. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to leave executive session at 10:25 a.m. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	189.67
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2593.84
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	5309.48
CHARRON LAWN CARE	FERTILIZER	400.00
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	350.62
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	355.60
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	570.36
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	60.04
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE MEAL	185.82
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	34.80
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SERVICES	41.00
NEBRASKA COUNTY ASSESSORS ASSOC	DUES	50.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1094.59



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TRENT PORATH	SERVICES	2624.50
POSTER COMPLIANCE CENTER	SUPPLIES	79.95
PRESTO X	SERVICES	52.00
RAMADA	LODGING	273.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	299.72
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7323.26
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		23,741.13

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	811.76
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1983.14
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	1254.28
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	52.12
INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	REPAIRS	117.51
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SERVICES	45.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	328.31
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	1532.26
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	3.19
JAMES L PURDUM & TAMMY J PURDUM	TRUCKING	5044.50
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	4177.65
RONALD G SCHWARTZ	TRUCKING	1938.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	2741.15
SHAFFER COMMUNICATIONS INC	SERVICES	1332.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
WARREN TRUCKING, INC.	TRUCKING	5244.00
WESTERN ENGINEERING CO INC	MATERIAL	1630.13
SALARIES		11,395.25

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	67.64
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EXTENSION FUND-

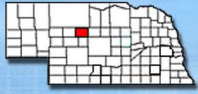
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	270.97
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	63.11
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	311.50
AMY GOODRICH	MILEAGE	62.13
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40
JENNIFER HOLTHUS	MILEAGE	68.13
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER	178.00
BETHANY JOHNSTON	MILEAGE	54.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	159.16
RYAN RIDENOUR	MILEAGE	27.25
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	77.18
SALLY SAWYER	MILEAGE	74.34
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1150.75
SALARIES		3974.82

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	101.95
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	115.66
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	117.14
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	155.50
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	12.48
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SERVICES	31.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	16.18
NEBRASKA LIBRARY COMMISSION	OVERDRIVE	500.00
TRENT PORATH	SERVICES	582.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	216.59
SYNCB/AMAZON	SUPPLIES	28.85
SALARIES		952.02

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
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JOSEPHINE MORRIS	POSTAGE	2.53
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	0.50
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	70.70
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	29.94
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	119.89
SALARIES		180.32

Office reports:

Clerk presented the fee report for the month of August. Election report given.

Treasurer reported on taxes being paid.

Sheriff reported that he had a mutual aid call with Grant County in Whitman last Friday. He also reported that the new Region 26 tower that fell during the ice storm earlier this year was being installed. He also reported on obtaining NARCAN nasal spray for overdose. He also reported that he had written letters against having to have a computer in his vehicle to issue citations.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to approve annual office inventory statements. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Al Atkins from the Loup to Loup board visited with the board about closing Purdum Ave for the road race on August 8, 2019.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to close Purdum Ave from 7:30 a.m. until the race is finished on Thursday, August 8, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve Amended Resolution #2018-7A, Forest Reserve funds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was had on acquiring some of the airport land in Section 16, Township 23, Range 28 to use for stockpiling material. John will attend the next Airport Authority meeting on September 17th.

Chairman Seeley recessed the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Chairman Seeley reconvened the meeting at 1:13 p.m.

Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Lewis Herbaugh. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Sheriff Gary Eng, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, and Susan Maline.

Chairman Seeley opened the budget hearing at 1:15 p.m.

The 2018-2019 budget was reviewed. No public comment.

Chairman Seeley closed the budget hearing at 1:26 p.m.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve Resolution #2018-8, for 1% increase for 2017-2018 funds subject to limitation. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to adopt the 2018-2019 Thomas County Budget. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Seeley opened the Property Tax request hearing at 1:30 p.m.

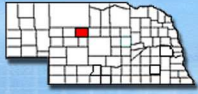
No public comment.

Chairman Seeley closed the public hearing at 1:44 p.m.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to approve Resolution #2018-9, setting the property tax request at \$705,966. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to approve Resolution #2018-10, setting final allocation of levy authority to all political subject to county levy authority. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.



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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 1:46 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, September 18, 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