



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
January 15, 2019

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 Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andre Thomas, road employee Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Sheriff Gary Eng, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Gregg O' Brien-NMC, John Webster-Murphy Tractor, Phil Kuenle and Dan Wadas-Village of Thedford, and Don Wilson.

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 3, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the January 15, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made Moody and second by Purdum to approve the January 3, 2019 organizational meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 10, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the January 3, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 10, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Gregg O'Brien of NMC and John Webster of Murphy Tractor met with the board to discuss options for new motor graders. Both companies will bring up machines to test once there is a warm spell in the weather.

John presented the board with a map and information on the airport land that the county would like to lease. Lloyd will check with the airport layout plan to see if the area selected will work and he will also contact the NDOT for highway access once the Airport Authority has agreed to the location. After everything is worked out then we will need to have a survey to get a legal description for the lease.

Lloyd presented the letter from the Corp of engineers approving the county plan to put rip rap along the bank. He also reported that he is still trying to obtain another quote on the crushing of the material on Frank Warren's.

Phil Kuenle and Dan Wadas representing the Village of Thedford spoke to the board about increasing the solid waste rates by 12%. They visited with the board about mechanical repairs to the trash truck and the expense of caring for the transfer station. The Village Board will get the new rates to the County Attorney for him to draw up an addendum to the Interlocal agreement. This item will be addressed at the February 5th meeting.

Other road discussion included: Jim reported that he had several landowners agreeing to open their clay pits to the county down along the Dismal River on S Seneca. Pam asked that Ed fill in the corners along Purdum Road by Atkins and Swisher.

Discussion was held on purchasing a used belly dump trailer for the county. Jim and the road men looked at an older trailer in Hyannis for \$15,000. Another 2009 trailer was found in Council Bluffs for \$25,000. The Clerk's office had searched on the internet for comparable trailers to meet the informal bid process.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve the purchase of the 2009 Trail King trailer from Jim Hawk Trailer Sales in Council Bluffs Iowa pending finance arrangements. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. The Corp of Engineer letter was presented during the road portion of the meeting. No other correspondence presented.

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



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GENERAL FUND-

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| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | ADMIN | 110.00 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 249.64 |
| ENERSPECT MEDICAL SOLUTIONS LLC | EQUIPMENT | 1101.78 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 14.98 |
| H. BECKER | SERVICES | 629.50 |
| NE CLERKS OF DISTRICT COURT ASSOC | TRAINING | 75.00 |
| NEBRASKA UC FUND | UNEMPLOYMENT | 63.97 |
| NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSN | DUES | 135.00 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | POSTAGE | 121.00 |
| RR DONNELLEY RECEIVABLES INC | SUPPLIES | 47.80 |
| SANDHILLS WEED MANAGEMENT AREA | DUES | 200.00 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 0.21 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | 3RD QTR EXTEN | 5391.10 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | COPIES/POSTAGE | 6.71 |

ROAD FUND-

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| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 3491.46 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | PAYMENT | 1963.68 |
| U S BANK | TRAINING | 52.75 |

EXTENSION FUND-

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| HAAKE FIVE, LLC | FUEL | 76.51 |
| BETHANY JOHNSTON | MEALS | 16.18 |
| KWIK STOP | FUEL | 28.92 |
| MCI | PHONE | 46.78 |
| SUE PEARMAN | MILEAGE | 94.94 |
| 4H SHOWWORKS BILLING | SERVICES | 175.00 |

Office reports:

Treasurer presented the financial report for her office.

Sheriff presented his quarterly fee report.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the Annual Weed report compiled by Carol Conard-Thomas County Weed Superintendent. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays –none. Motion carried.

Public comment. Don Wilson introduced himself to the board. He is here currently auditing Fiscal year 2017-2018 for the county.

No other public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

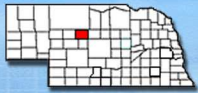
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of 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



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