



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 7, 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 Andrea Thomas, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Twyla Witt, Sherri Rodocker, Richard Cook, Pamela Mann, Tina Gastineau, and County Attorney Kurt Arganbright.

Chairman Seeley stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the May 7, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the April 16, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on April 25, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Lloyd Smith reported that he had a verbal approval from the NDOT for the access of highway 83 to the airport property. The county will need to either put millings or concrete down for the highway access.

Commissioner Seeley reported that he had contacted Jeff Johnston, Darren Rinestine and Bill Elliott for bids to fence out the property at the airport. These bids will be due on May 21, 2019.

Crushing material was discussed. John Warren will have some asphalt chunks that need crushed when the crusher comes to Thomas County. His material will be kept separate from the county and he will be billed for the work on his material.

Road personnel reported on equipment that has been worked on.

There was discussion for material to be put on the roads. Commissioner Purdum will talk with Triple G about 3A gravel. New price sheets were obtained from L & L Gravel, Triple G and Jeffres.

The airport land lease will be discussed again once the airport authority has met and approved the lease.

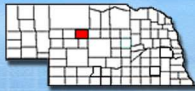
The application for additional work to Third Priority Roads (Individual use/Pink roads) was reviewed.

Landowners that would like to request material for the Individual Use roads will need to fill out this application.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the application for additional work to third party roads. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Sherri Rodocker was present to request material for Rodocker Lane. Application was filled out by landowner. Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the application for Rodocker Lane. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays -none. Motion carried.

No action taken on airport land lease. Waiting for Airport Authority to have their meeting and approve.



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Richard Cook met with the board about taking over the Thomas County Weed Superintendent position since the retirement of Carol Conard. Rich currently handles Logan County and McPherson County weed management.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to appoint Richard Cook as the Thomas County Weed Superintendent at \$11/hour plus expenses with certain expenses pro-rated with other participating counties. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	223.17
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2877.38
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC	METAL SIGNS	187.25
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	6304.7
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	350.62
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	376.89
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	607.13
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	411.60
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	265.11
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	467.12
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	21.47
GALLS LLC	SUPPLIES	454.88
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	76.56
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	34.80
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	DRUG TESTING	35.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1291.83
PAMELA MOODY	MILEAGE	156.60
NACO	REGISTRATION	135.00
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS	REGISTRATION	125.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1156.33
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT	732.05
PRESTO X	SERVICES	52.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	270.78
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7844.53
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	7.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	BOOKMOBILE	810.50
U S BANK	PUBLIC ASSIST	14.60
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		26,106.89

ROAD FUND-

	AUTOGATE	
GEORGE A. ALLARD	FORMS	860.00
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	695.63
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1983.14
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	55.52
CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS	REPAIRS	1290.57
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	72.54
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	199.41
NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC	REPAIRS	161.99
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	4053.93
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	1986.46
R7 CUSTOMS, LLC	FENCING	812.30
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	3511.97
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1557.24
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	4.53
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		6,224.76



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**PRE-TRIAL FUND-**

VIAERO WIRELESS	CELL PHONE	67.73
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	260.55
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	54.00
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	63.11
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	311.80
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	36.99
SCOTT FINNEY	MILEAGE	26.10
AMY GOODRICH	MILEAGE	66.12
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40
LACY HEBBERT	MILEAGE	32.48
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	178.00
JAY JENKINS	MILEAGE	69.60
CR JEWELL	MILEAGE	66.12
KWIK STOP	FUEL	32.17
MCI	PHONE	95.10
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY EXTENSION	DUES	100.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	133.65
RYAN RIDENOUR	MILEAGE	29.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	39.47
SANDHILLS CORRAL	MEALS	110.67
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	939.31
SALARIES		3,263.50

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	145.31
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	115.66
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	116.87
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	106.51
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
KIM MILLS	AMAZON	119.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	25.45
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	274.14
SYNCB/AMAZON	PAPER	28.64
SALARIES		1,019.77

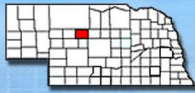
BOOKMOBILE FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	4.63
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	78.58
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	88.17
SALARIES		469.82

Pamela Mann-Region II and Tina Gastineau-North Platte Opportunity Center gave an annual report on both organizations.

Office reports:

Clerk presented office fee report for April 2019. The FEMA money from June 2018 disaster should be coming in this week. Upcoming workshops were discussed. Assessor reports that TERC has approved the values set by the county. Notice of Value changes will be sent out the end of May. All residential homes will increase by 5% because of sales throughout the county. Commercial properties were revalued this year and will see some changes. Commercial property along Highway 2 will see an increase in the land values. Assessor reported on West Central Assessor meeting in North Platte and visiting a solar farm in Logan County.



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Treasurer presented the board with the delinquent real estate taxes in Thomas County. Two tax certificates were sold at the tax sale, leaving 13 parcels unsold totaling \$10,871.08.

Sheriff reported on a vehicle at Federal Surplus in Lincoln Ne. They have a 2010 Tahoe for \$14,000 that includes all law enforcement equipment already installed. The Sheriff office budget should have enough to cover this expense, if not the board will have the ability to transfer budget authority from Miscellaneous General.

Commissioner Moody reported on the NIRMA personnel meeting she attended in Kearney on April 18th.

The forest contract has not arrived. This will be discussed at the May 21, 2019 meeting.

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

Discussion was held on the NACO Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance. The current plan that Thomas County is on had a 2.15% decrease in premiums.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to continue with the NACO Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance for 2019-2020 with the \$1,000 deductible w/\$30 office visit co-pay. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was had on appointing someone to fill the position of Steve Reed on the Thomas County Airport Authority board. Tabled until the May 21, 2019 meeting.

Discussion was held on the Thomas County Veterans Service Officer position. Todd Peters of Hooker County has been in contact with the County Clerk about filling our position. Tabled until May 21, 2019 meeting. The Clerk will check with the American Legion members about their choice.

SDL application from Sandhills Corral for a wedding on June 6, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. was reviewed.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the SDL application for Sandhills Corral on June 6, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays -none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 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:



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John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

These minutes have not been approved by the Thomas County Board of Commissioners and are subject to change pending approval at the next regular board meeting.