

Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2021

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 Pam Moody, John Seeley and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Gregg O' Brien-NMC, John Webster-Murphy Tractor, County Sheriff Joseph Smith and Lee Ray.

Chairman Moody 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 September 23, 2021.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the October 5, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the September 21, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on September 30, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held comparing the bids from John Deere and CAT for new motor graders. The board also discussed selling the old motor graders rather than trading them in with the purchase.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to accept the bid from John Deere (Murphy Tractor) for the purchase of (1) one 770G Motor Grader and (1) one 772G Motor Grader, utilizing the State Bid process, excluding the extension, packer and LED lights from the package bid. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – Purdum. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

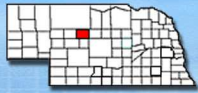
The CAT loader needs repaired and will need hauled down to North Platte to the shop. Commissioner Purdum offered the use of his trailer for the road department to use to haul the loader to North Platte.

Discussion was had on Diamond E Lane. The board decided to have Wayne Licking attend the next meeting when the road men will be able to be present.

Commissioner Seeley reported that he had spoken to Walter Collier and they have requested some mud rock to fix the road after heavy rains last week. The board agreed to offer up to four loads of mud rock.

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith reported to the board that the permits are in place for work on the Dakota Lane bridge. He has been in contact with Custer Public Power to discuss the overhead lines in the area. Work should begin yet this fall.

Lloyd also reported on placing rip rap along Werner Bridge and Daly Bridge. He had information that we could install along these bridges, utilizing existing permits.



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Correspondence presented. An email from Jeri Huddle was read to the board, asking for clarification on the Loup to Loup race for August 2022. The board agreed that the mail will run prior to closing of the Purdum road. This was not noted previously but was the intent of the board.

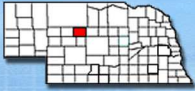
Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to pay payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	AFLAC	357.74
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2565.45
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	SERVICES	2494.00
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	8384.95
BROUILLETTE, DUGAN, TROSHYNSKI PC	ATTORNEY FEES	410.00
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	40.63
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	493.75
RICHARD COOK	MILEAGE	119.84
COW COUNTRY ANIMAL CLINIC	LICENSE	60.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	718.50
RICHARD J DONHAUSER	LAWN CARE	550.00
FREY'S HEATING AND AIR COND INC	SERVICES	208.69
GALLS LLC	SUPPLIES	98.60
ALEXANDRA GONZALEZ	DECALS	356.00
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	359.52
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	64.20
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	114.95
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1235.84
NACO	REGISTRATIONS	110.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	39.31
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	983.26
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	42.34
NOTARY PUBLIC UNDERWRITERS, INC	RENEWAL	81.00
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	9333.63
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	348.65
SCHOOL HOUSE GRAPHICS	DECALS	126.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	6190.67
ANDREA THOMAS	MILEAGE	132.16
U S BANK	FUEL	42.41
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	400.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	4.66
SALARIES		21282.97

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	986.72
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2004.15
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	97.44
L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL	2751.83
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	56.35
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	239.33
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	FEES	410.30
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	5033.66
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1922.64
TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC	MATERIAL	3243.89
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	148.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	32.64
SALARIES		7749.53



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PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	81.26
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VISITORS FUND-

LOUP 2 LOUP OPEN ROAD RACE	SPONSORSHIP	500.00
SANDHILL RIVER TRIPS	SPONSORSHIP	1000.00

EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	275.32
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2004.15
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	186.50
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	96.27
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	229.65
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	164.49
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	100.96
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	291.95
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	588.89
SALARIES		1493.80

LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	60.45
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	58.50
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	118.19
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	COPIER METER	15.70
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	7.56
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	203.44
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	142.50
SALARIES		1056.35

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	8.05
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	11.70
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	7.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	133.58
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	105.48
SALARIES		626.40

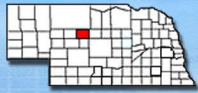
Office reports:

Fee report for the month of September was presented. Clerk reported on the redistricting work after the Census. Thomas County legislative district will now be District 42. The Clerk will be attending the Secretary of State Election workshop October 6-8th.

Treasurer reported on delinquent personal property from SWIX. The Treasurer also had a financial report available for the board.

Sheriff presented the quarterly fee report for his office. He also gave an activity report at the forest. The jailhouse doors need replaced; he will talk with Neben's to see if they have the time to help repair the door. Reported that the handicap signage in the parking lot had been painted by himself, Keith and Clint.

Emergency Manager report was on a legislative bill to be presented to help with 911 funding. The bill would ask for help from the Game and Parks commission to help offset the cost for 911 to the two big lakes in the Region 26 district.



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

Chairman Moody recessed the meeting at 11:00 a.m. to enter into the Board of Equalization.

Chairman Moody reconvened the meeting at 11:07 a.m.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2021-16, transferring \$15,000 from the Bookmobile fund to the Library Fund. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment. Lee Ray visited with the board about possibly lowering the speed limit on Maple Street. The board will talk with Lloyd Smith about beginning this process.

Commissioner Seeley reported on attending the Grand Opening of the Thomas County Airport.

No other public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 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 inspection in 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:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk