

Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 16, 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, Jim Purdum and John Seeley. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Sheriff Joseph Smith, Jessica Fenske and County Attorney Kurt Arganbright.

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 November 4, 2021.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the November 16, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the November 2, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on November 11, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Commissioner Moody was asked when the material would be hauled to the golf course from the airport. The road department reported that the three loads were hauled a couple of weeks ago to the golf course.

Discussion was held on Railroad Street in Seneca. The railroad still hasn't put rock on the road that the county had built up. The Clerk will contact Lloyd Smith to see if he has contact information with the railroad so that we can get the road covered.

Update on Andersen Bridge on Dakota Lane. Lloyd had reported to the Clerk that it will probably be in the Spring before the bridge work will begin due to the contractor's schedule.

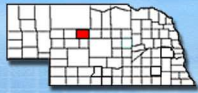
The CAT loader is still in the shop waiting to be worked on.

The lease with the Nebraska Department of Transportation for a portion of the Old Highway 83 has been renewed. The County may utilize this portion of the Old Highway as a mixing strip for road maintenance purposes. The lease will run from December 1, 2021 to November 30, 2022.

Ed reported that he has installed the signs for Daly Bridge, Purdum Rd and Maple Street.

Keith reported that the auto gate had been replaced on River Road.

Discussion was had on a lease agreement the county will use for equipment that is infrequently used and not owned by the county for road maintenance projects. The County Attorney will take the lease agreement that was used in the past and update for use now.



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Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2021-18, Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	SERVICES	507.00
ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN EXPENSE	750.00
BROUILLETTE, DUGAN, TROSHYNSKI PC	SERVICES	678.25
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT	MEAL	8.74
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	28.64
RICHARD J DONHAUSER	LAWNCARE-OCT	550.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	17.98
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	81.15
PATRICK M. HENG LAW OFFICE, PC, LLO	SERVICES	1980.00
RUSSELL LICKING	SHERIFF CAGE	346.65
NACO	DUES	976.41
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	DUES	450.00
BRAD SAWYER	BLDG SECURITY	284.84
SYNCB/AMAZON	OFFICE SUPPLIES	8.89
THOMAS CO TREASURER	DEPOSIT BOOK	74.29
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	935.70
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE	39.96

ROAD FUND-

BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC	SIGNS	986.30
L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL	829.50

VISITORS FUND-

MEGAN HANNA	FAIRGROUNDS	300.00
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EXTENSION FUND-

EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	114.13
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	41.89
MCI	PHONE	50.66

LIBRARY FUND-

EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	PAPER	49.99
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BOOKMOBILE FUND-

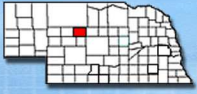
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
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Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported that the CTL had been filed with the State on November 9th and the tax list was prepared and presented to the Treasurer on November 10th. NACO convention agendas were passed out to the board and confirmed motel reservations. Salary study information was discussed.

Treasurer presented the October financial report. Tax statements will be printed this week.

Sheriff reported on the required accreditation by the State. He also gave an activity report. He also reported that he is on track to complete the Forest patrol contract.



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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to reappoint the following members to the Thomas County Planning Commission with an ending term of 2024: Carolyn Warren and Shane Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to surplus the old wooden desk from the Clerk’s office. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Opioid litigation settlement. No action taken. Tabled until more paperwork is received.

Jessica Fenske with Healing Hearts and Hands was present to discuss the Memorandum of Understanding for Juvenile Diversion services. Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Healing Hearts and Hands for Juvenile Diversion services. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, December 7, 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 public 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