

# Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
July 19, 2022

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 8:30 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, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, Jack Johnston, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright and County Sheriff Joseph Smith.

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 July 7, 2022.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the July 19, 2022 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the July 5, 2022 meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on July 14, 2022. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

#### Road discussion:

Jack Johnston met with the board to discuss plans for installation of the auto gates at the airport. He reported that Richard Jameson will bring a backhoe to dig through the asphalt on the road. The road men will be contacted to coordinate the day next week that will work for everyone.

The utility permit filed by Consolidated Telephone was reviewed. Mark Hassett was contacted by phone for clarification of the project on Purdum Ave.

The board and road men identified the pivots that are crossing county roadways. The board directed the County Attorney to send letters to the landowners about watering the roadways.

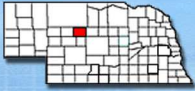
Brush along Norway Ave was discussed. Commissioner Purdum talked to a railroad representative and they gave the ok to remove any brush along the railroad right of way. Randy Andersen will be contacted to remove this brush. Discussion was also held on trees that will need to be trimmed along the roadways this winter.

Discussion was held on purchasing pallet forks for the John Deere loader. Keith will talk with John Webster about pricing and present it at the next meeting.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

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| GENERAL FUND-                     |               |        |
| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES   | SERVICES      | 532.40 |
| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE            | ADMIN EXPENSE | 825.00 |
| BROUILLETTE, DUGAN, TROSHYNSKI PC | ATTORNEY FEES | 570.00 |
| CHARRON LAWN CARE                 | FERTILIZER    | 435.00 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.           | PUBLISHING    | 495.57 |



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| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT     | UTILITIES            | 467.81   |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL     | SERVICES             | 28.64    |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS           | SUPPLIES             | 25.99    |
| TERRY E ELLIOTT                  | JULY LAWN CARE       | 550.00   |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC              | SUPPLIES             | 60.17    |
| MIPS INC                         | SERVICES             | 1335.23  |
| PAMELA MOODY                     | MILEAGE              | 222.30   |
| NEBRASKA UC FUND                 | UNEMPLOYMENT         | 155.81   |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER         | BOX RENTAL           | 168.00   |
| KRIS RASMUSSEN                   | MILEAGE              | 70.20    |
| REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER | ASSESSMENT           | 1358.00  |
| REGION 26                        | ASSESSMENT           | 10466.94 |
| CHEVAS SHAW                      | ATTORNEY FEES        | 155.10   |
| AMANDA M. SPEICHERT              | ATTORNEY FEES        | 60.00    |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH       | POSTAGE              | 8.95     |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER              | BOOKMOBILE/EXTENSION | 6572.76  |
| VERIZON WIRELESS                 | PHONE                | 40.01    |

#### ROAD FUND-

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| CALLS GARAGE INC             | REPAIRS      | 115.50  |
| CROELL, INC.                 | COLD MIX     | 3258.75 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES    | 54.42   |
| INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO        | REPAIRS      | 51.10   |
| MASEBERG RANCH               | WELDING WIRE | 60.00   |
| TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC        | MATERIAL     | 6134.45 |

#### VISITORS FUND-

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| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 430.00 |
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#### EXTENSION FUND-

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| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS | REPAIRS    | 63.69  |
| KWIK STOP                          | FUEL       | 47.10  |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER           | BOX RENTAL | 130.00 |

#### LIBRARY FUND-

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| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 142.50 |
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#### BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
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#### Office reports:

Clerk presented the office fee report for the month of June.  
2022-2023 budget discussion will follow later in the meeting.

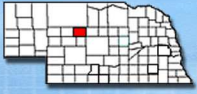
Treasurer presented a financial report.

Technology for the Commissioner's meeting room was discussed. A quote from Applied Connective was reviewed for TV monitor, sound and audio board. The ARPA funds can be used to update the technology.

Sheriff reported on the burn ban in place for Thomas County. He has contacted all five fire districts along with the Halsey National Forest to put the burn ban in place.  
He also reported on the activity/accident calls he has been responding to lately.

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

Region II Human Services fiscal year 2022/2023 request was reviewed.



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Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the request and make an annual payment to the Region II Human Service. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays -none. Motion carried.

The 2022-2023 Thomas County budget requests were reviewed. More in depth review will happen once centrally assessed values are reported to the County on August 10<sup>th</sup>.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 at 8:30 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:

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Pamela S. Moody, Chair

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Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk