

Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 16, 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, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, TL Meyer and Jay Jenkins with UNL, County Sheriff Joseph Smith 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 August 4, 2022.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the August 16, 2022 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the August 2, 2022 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on August 11, 2022. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Discussion was held on trees along road way right of ways. Randy Andersen was hired to take out trees along Norway Ave and Llama Lane. Leslie Dickman inquired as to if the county could remove the choke cherries along the railroad crossing on Llama Lane. Commissioner Purdum will go out and check out the trees and see if they are on railroad or county right of way and will return the phone call to Dickman's.

Contact information with the US Forest Service was discussed about Gaston Bridge.

Commissioner Purdum advised that he had spoken with Rodger Licking about swapping out auto gates along Finney Loop. Once the county is ready to move auto gates around the landowners will be notified.

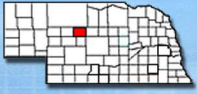
Discussion was held on purchasing forks for the John Deere Loader. Murphy Tractor provided costing on new. Commissioner Moody will check with a place in Kearney about used forks.

Rear Wheel Fenders for the John Deere graders were discussed. More discussion will be held on the September 6th meeting.

Lloyd reported that he had visited with Northern Materials about the crushing project. They will not be able to come complete the job this year. Lloyd will get an estimate from Prouty about crushing the concrete and asphalt.

Lloyd also reported that he should have the survey of the Seneca Cemetery completed by the end of this week. Once the survey is complete Kurt will be able to assist the Seneca Cemetery Association with the needed paperwork to get them started as an association in good standing with the State of Nebraska.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2022-15, the Annual Certification of program compliance with NBCS. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Jay Jenkins and TL Meyer, University of Nebraska Extension, met with the board to review the Interlocal Agreement with UNL Extension. No action was taken on the agreement until the portion about insurance coverage is established. Jay Jenkins will check with UNL and County Clerk Lorissa Hartman will check with NIRMA.

ARPA grant application from the Thedford Rural Fire Protection District was tabled until the September 20th meeting.

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

GENERAL FUND-

APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	SERVICES	546.49
ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN EXP	725.00
CHARRON LAWN CARE	FERTILIZER	435.00
COMFORT INN	LODGING	109.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	138.64
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	118.57
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	ELECTION COST	630.00
TERRY E ELLIOTT	LAWN CARE	550.00
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	87.50
LANCASTER COUNTY CORRECTIONS	INMATE COST	500.00
NACO	REGISTRATIONS	750.00
PRO PRINTING & GRAPHICS	SUPPLIES	169.03
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	19.32
U S BANK	SUPPLIES	48.50
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE	93.96

ROAD FUND-

INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	REPAIR	42.95
SCHOOL HOUSE GRAPHICS	ROAD SIGN	145.14

LIBRARY FUND-

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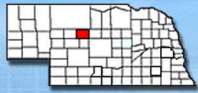
Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported on upcoming assessor workshop August 29th – September 1st in Norfolk. During this week there will be one day that Kris will not be able to cover the office due to a Volley ball game. The afternoon of August 30th the office will be closed from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. that day.

West Central District meeting will be October 5th in North Platte.

MSHA training for the road department will be October 4th in Valentine.

Treasurer presented financial report for July. She also gave a recap report on granted ARPA grants and upcoming grant applications to be considered in the future.



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Sheriff gave an activity report for his office. He also reported that he has been elected the SASA (Sandhills Area Sheriffs Association) president for the year. He also reports that he has completed the required state accreditation.

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve 2022 inventory statements for all county offices. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2022-17, setting final levy allocation for Thomas County Ag Society, Thedford Rural Fire District, Halsey Fire District and Thomas County Airport Authority. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the manager application change for the Sandhills Corral LLC. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Budget work session was held. The budget hearing will be scheduled for September 6th at 11:00 a.m.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, September 6th 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

Pamela S. Moody, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk