

Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
January 6, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:01 a.m., January 6, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE.

Members present were Al Atkins, Stan Pettit, and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, County Attorney Warren Arganbright, Road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Mike Kovanda, Terry Licking, and Kirby Linse of NMC.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 December 25, 2008.

Motion to adopt the January 6, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Daly, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve December 16, 2008 regular meeting minutes as published December 25, 2008 in the Thomas County Herald made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	282.70
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1689.41
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
AS IMSERVICES	SERVICES	36.71
AT&T	PHONE	75.91
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	113.82
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2403.58
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	393.77
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	806.08
EMBASSY SUITES - LINCOLN	LODGING	1625.00
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	6.18
GALLS INCORPORATED	SUPPLIES	30.97
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	SNOW REMOVAL	90.00
MIDWEST STORAGE SOLUTIONS, INC	SUPPLIES	127.32
MIPS INC	SERVICES	831.28
NACO	DUES	670.66
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY TREASURERS	DUES	75.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	14.46
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAX	355.35
NEBRASKA UC FUND	TAX	92.35
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	476.70
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER	ASSESSMENT	259.00
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	3363.97
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	932.56
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAX	4427.85
DAVE SULLIVAN	MILEAGE	70.20
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	118.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	34.68
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITES	300.00
WESTERN PATHOLOGY CO. PC	SERVICES	820.00
SALARIES		16345.87

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	462.16
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	558.44
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	47.95
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	25.44
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAX	113.88
NEBRASKA SAFETY CENTER	TRAINING	140.00
RHOADES SALT ACCOUNT	SUPPLIES	10.00
RODOCKER, THAYNE	SUPPLIES	68.44
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	44.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAX	1128.28
SALARIES		5272.56

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	PHONE	51.31
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LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	26.50
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	44.84
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	238.50
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	5.91
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	92.97
EMERALD MOON, INC	SERVICES	78.75
FOLLETT SOFTWARE CO	BOOKS	76.56
MICHAEL FREDERICK	BOOKS	16.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	REPAIRS	7.48

NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	36.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAX	11.39
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	52.30
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAX	192.08
SALARIES		1130.02
AIRPORT FUND-		
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.26
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	240.70
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	158.00
PURDUM STATE BANK	PAYMENT	1500.00
RYDER-ROSACKER-MCCUE & HUSTON	SERVICES	2435.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITES	25.00

Motion to approve fee reports made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins, Pettit. Motion carried.

Terri Licking visited with board about Sandhills Journey Scenic Byway activities. No action taken.

Discussion regarding personnel policy manual. No action taken.

Discussion on Law Enforcement Contract with Forest Service. No action taken. Tabled until January 20, 2009 meeting.

Discussion on road projects. No action taken.

Chairman Atkins recessed meeting at 12:04 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:23 p.m. Present were board members Al Atkins, Stan Pettit and Charles Daly.

Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, County Attorney Warren Arganbright, Road personnel Mike Kovanda and Kirby Linse of NMC.

Discussion on road equipment held. No action taken.

Discussion on personnel policy manual held. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be held January 20, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Al Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman/Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Organizational Meeting
January 6, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:08 a.m., January 6, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Al Atkins and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, County Attorney Warren Arganbright, and Sheriff Gary Eng.

Chairman Daly stated public 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 December 25, 2008.

Motion to adopt the January 6, 2009 agenda made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to elect Al Atkins as board chairperson for 2009 and cease nominations with unanimous ballot made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit. Abstain – Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to elect Stan Pettit as the board vice-chairperson for 2009 and to cease nominations with unanimous ballot made by Atkins, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Abstain – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the 2009 meeting dates as the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month made by Atkins, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the 2009 holiday dates as attached made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Daly, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Thomas County Herald as the county's official news publication for 2009 made by Atkins, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution 2009-1 made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Daly. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2009-1

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Commissioners of Thomas County, Nebraska that Security First Bank, 502 Main Street, Thedford, Nebraska, 69166 is hereby designated as a depository for funds of said county for the year 2009, pursuant to the Laws now in force in the State of Nebraska relating to the deposit of County Funds. Said Bank agrees to comply with all the Laws of said State with reference to such deposits. In lieu of a surety bond for the protection of such deposits, said bank offers as security therefore the following described securities:

Pledges Securities in the amount of \$1,150,000.00 to mature on 01/01/2022 for the Thomas County Treasurer, and \$300,000.00 to mature on 08/01/2011 for the Thomas County Treasurer. In addition, the purchase of CDARS (Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service) is offered.

Motion to approve Resolution 2009-2 made by Atkins, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Daly, Atkins. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2009-2

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Commissioners of Thomas County, Nebraska, on this re-organization meeting day, held on January 6, 2009, that the County Treasurer of Thomas County is hereby given permission to put all available funds on hand in time certificate of deposit on interest at the Security First Bank of Thedford, Nebraska, or to invest them in United States bonds or NPAIT.

Motion to appoint Carol Conard as Weed Superintendent for 2009 made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Kevin Hood as Emergency Management Director for 2009 made by Atkins, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Daly, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Lloyd Smith as Highway Superintendent/Surveyor for 2009 made by Atkins, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Lorissa Hartman as Zoning Administrator for 2009 made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins Pettit, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to approve \$100 monthly salary for Zoning Administrator for 2009 made by Atkins, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Noah Nutter as Veteran's Service Officer for 2009 made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Daly, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint members to the following boards for 2009 made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Daly, Atkins. Motion carried. Region II – Alan Atkins, Sandhills District Health District – Charles Daly, West Central District Health – Charles Daly, West Central Area on Aging – Alan Atkins, Region 26 – Kevin Hood, Lexington Solid Waste – Stan Pettit, West Central Development District – Lorissa Hartman, Sandhills RC & D – Stan Pettit.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Atkins, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins, Pettit. Meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Al Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
January 20, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., January 20, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. Members present were Charles Daly, Al Atkins, and Stan Pettit. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, County Attorney Warren Arganbright, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Mike Kovanda, and Russ DeNaeyer.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 January 8, 2009.

Motion to adopt the January 20, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to approve January 6, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published January 15, 2009 in the Thomas County Herald made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve January 6, 2009 organizational meeting minutes as published January 15, 2009 in the Thomas County Herald made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Acknowledge visitors. Russ DeNaeyer visited with board regarding Purdum road.

Correspondence presented. Board directed Clerk to forward letter from Vincent Valentino, Attorney at Law to be sent to Thomas County Planning Commission.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

ARROWHEAD LODGE	LODGING	40.00
	DATA	
AS IMSERVICES	PROCESSING	37.57
CENTRAL SANDHILLS AREA EXT		
OFFICE	ASSESSMENT	3387.28
LORISSA HARTMAN	SUPPLIES	21.39
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	303.90
MIPS INC	SERVICES	26.75
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS	DUES	75.00
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY		
OFFICIALS	DUES	240.00
NEBRASKA UC FUND	TAX	195.05
PRO PRINTING & GRAPHICS	SUPPLIES	13.23
QUILL	SUPPLIES	59.71
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PUBLISHING	42.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	10.05
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	OFFICE EXPENSE	102.45
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	PUBLISHING	239.67

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	445.33
JONES SALVAGE	SUPPLIES	1611.20
NMC	REPAIR	1199.94
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1447.87
TRACTOR SUPPLY CO	SUPPLIES	32.98

COUNTY VISITORS FUND-

JANELLE JENNINGS	SERVICES	233.46
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COUNTY ASSISTANCE FUND-

EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	5.97
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LIBRARY FUND-

CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	293.23
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC COLLECTION	BOOKS	15.90

Chairman Atkins stated public hearing for Special Use Permit Application open at 10:30 a.m. Application reviewed. Recommendation from the Thomas County Planning Commission reviewed. Hearing closed at 11:00 a.m.

Motion to accept planning commission recommendation for special use permit for Joe Shown on his land located in Part of SW1/4 1-22-26 made by Pettit, second by Daly.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins stated public hearing for One & six Year Road Plan opened at 11:00 a.m. One & Six Year Road Plan reviewed. Hearing closed at 11:25 a.m.

Motion to adopt Resolution #2009-3, One & Six Year Road plan as presented with 2 road projects added made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2009-3

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Thomas County, Nebraska, that there is hereby adopted for the County of Thomas, Nebraska, a long-range six-year plan of highway, road, and street improvements based upon priority of needs and calculated to contribute to the orderly development of an integrated statewide system of highways, roads, and streets.

Motion to accept the Law Enforcement Contract with the Forest Service made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Daly, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Thomas County Employee Policies Handbook as modified made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Resolution #2009-4 made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2009-4

WHEREAS, the requirements to serve as County Attorney for Thomas County, Nebraska, necessarily create possible conflicts in the enforcement of child support obligations as decreed by the District Court of Thomas County, Nebraska, from time to time, for the County; and,

WHEREAS, the County board of Thomas County, Nebraska, has deemed it in the best interests of the citizens of Thomas County, Nebraska, that the County Attorney be allowed to continue with at private practice involving prosecution of divorce involving minor children; and,

WHEREAS, the County Board of Thomas County, Nebraska, recognizes, understand and agrees that the County Attorney, in representing persons in divorces with minor children involved may be necessarily ethically prohibited from enforcing child support in such situations.

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF THOMAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, that the County Attorney of Thomas County, Nebraska, is hereby approved to continue to practice law including the defense of parties to actions for dissolution of marriage where minor children are involved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board of Thomas County, Nebraska, will, in the event that a conflict of interest exists by virtue of the need to enforce an order for child support in an action where the County Attorney has previously represented the parties against whom enforcement is sought in a dissolution action, the County Board of Thomas County, Nebraska, will appoint and pay for special counsel appointed to enforce support in such actions.

Discussion on road projects held. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be held February 3, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Al Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman/Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Special Meeting
January 23, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:06 a.m., January 23, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Charles Daly, and Al Atkins. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Road personnel Mike Kovanda, Steve Brown, and Kirby Linse of NMC.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 January 22, 2009 and posted on January 15, 2009 at Ewoldt's Grocery, Thedford Post Office, Halsey Post Office, Seneca Post Office, Thomas County Courthouse, and Security First Bank Thedford.

Motion to adopt the January 23, 2009 special meeting agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to accept sealed bid from NMC for 2006 163H motor grader made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to purchase 2006 163H motor grader from NMC for \$201,000 with trade-in value \$102,250 for 1996 163H for a difference of \$98,750 per purchase order agreement on file in the Thomas County Clerk's office made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Daly, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to finance purchase of 2006 163H motor grader with Security First Bank in the amount of \$98,750 with additional remaining balance on trade-in \$25,243.29, with a monthly payment of \$1,717.14 for seven years at 4.33% interest rate, with promissory note to be signed by all three commissioners, this payment will replace the \$1,447.87 monthly payment currently paid to Security First Bank on 1996 163H motor grader made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins, Pettit. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be held February 3, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Al Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
February 3, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., February 3, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE.

Members present were Stan Pettit, Charles Daly, and Alan Atkins. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Mike Kovanda.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 January 22, 2009.

Motion to adopt the February 3, 2009 agenda made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve January 20, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published January 29, 2009 in the Thomas County Herald made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve January 23, 2009 special meeting minutes as published January 29, 2009 in the Thomas County Herald made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

SALARIES		16241.26
AFLAC	INSURANCE	282.70
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1684.78
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
AT&T	PHONE	82.07
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	93.84
BLAINE COUNTY	MILEAGE	48.72
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2403.58
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	430.93
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	465.96
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	80.73
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	79.20
TERRI LICKING	MILEAGE	39.60
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	SNOW REMOVAL	50.00
MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIPMENT	SERVICE	30.00
MIPS INC	SERVICE	789.63
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	12.98
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	359.92
REGIONAL WEST MEDICAL CENTER	AUTOPSY COSTS	986.25
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	1212.17
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	4464.67
THOMAS CO TREASURER	SUPPLIES	124.30

ROAD FUND-

SALARIES		5272.56
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	462.16
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	558.44
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	89.75
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	147.49
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	1919.50
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	37.68
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	113.88
NIORARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SURVEYOR FEES	689.88
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	44.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1128.28

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	PHONE	56.05
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COUNTY VISITORS FUND-

IDEA BANK MARKETING, INC	SERVICE	257.70
JANELLE JENNINGS	ADMINISTRATIVE	34.80
TERRI LICKING	REIMBURSEMENT	411.90
NE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WAR MEM		
HWY	DUES	100.00
NEBRASKA LIFE	ADVERTISING	1620.00
PAM REED	REIMBURSEMENT	218.97
SANDHILLS JOURNEY SCENIC BYWAY	DUES	800.00
THEDFORD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	ADVERTISING	2200.00

LIBRARY FUND-

SALARIES		1265.97
AFLAC	INSURANCE	26.50
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	43.58
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	238.50
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIR	2.95
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	93.30
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	78.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	14.55
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	170.75
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAX	215.06

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	98.86
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	476.29
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	LOAN PAYMENT	1308.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	25.00

Chairman Atkins recessed meeting at 10:33 a.m. for Board of Equalization meeting. Chairman Atkins reconvened the regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners at 10:50 a.m.

Motion to approve fee reports as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Annual Weed Report as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Pat Neben as Thomas County Representative for the Sandhills District Health Department and West Central District Health Department made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit.

Discussion on the US Bank/NACO Purchasing Card Program. Tabled until after the West Central District Meeting on February 26, 2009.

Motion to re-appoint Mark Nutter, Terri Licking, and Robert Childers – Term to expire 2011 and John Ayres, Wayne Rodocker, and Carolyn Warren – Term to expire 2012 to the Thomas County Planning Commission made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins.

Discussion on road projects held. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be held February 17, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman/Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
February 17, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., February 17, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit and Alan Atkins. Absent: Charles Daly. Motion to excuse Charles Daly made by Pettit, seconded by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Absent – Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Deputy Clerk Pat Neben, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Mike Kovanda, Kevin Hood, and Lloyd Smith. Chairman Atkins stated public 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 February 5, 2009.

Motion to adopt the February 17, 2009 agenda made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Absent: Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to approve February 3, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published February 12, 2009 in the Thomas County Herald made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Absent: Daly. Motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Visitors: Atkins so noted.

Correspondence presented. No action taken. Check was received from NIRMA for \$4,379.00.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Absent: Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	342.89
EWOLDTS	BUILDING SUPP	24.38
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	68.20
L & L GRAVEL	SNOW REMOVAL	160.00
MIPS INC	SUPPLIES	72.39
THEDFORD POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	42.00
LARRY REXROTH	APP. SERVICES	1750.00
SANDHILLS RC&D	MEMBERSHIP	50.00
THOMAS COUNTY PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	6.56
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	42.00
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	PUBLICATIONS	837.15
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT	REGISTRATIONS	100.00

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR	GRADER	2086.62
GCR	TIRES	7248.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	GRADER	1717.14
TRACTOR SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	15.98

Motion to approve fee reports as presented made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Absent: Daly. Motion carried.

Office reports presented: Treasurer Taylor explained the forest money and how it would be dispensed in August when it is received. Taylor notified the board that Janet Linn had turned in her resignation and Taylor would be looking for her replacement. Taylor also commented that there would be a considerable amount of property taxes listed for sale.

Sheriff Gary Eng reported that equipment is coming in that was ordered with Forest Grant money.

Chairman Atkins dropped down one line item on the agenda at 10:30 a.m. to open bids for lawn care maintenance. There was one bid submitted by Jerry Linn for \$500.00 per month. Motion to accept bid from Jerry Linn for \$500.00 per month made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Absent: Daly. Motion carried.

Returned to agenda item for office reports. Neben presented NMC bill for repairs of new grader due to freezing of hydraulic hoses. Total bill was \$839.41. Mike stated that he thought Cat was going to pick up

the cost of the parts and Thomas County was paying the mileage. Bill does not reflect that. Atkins asked if there was a possibility that this could be turned in to insurance.

Kevin Hood had some discussion of road west of Stan Pettit (Fuller Road). This road is now being used as access for students traveling to Mullen. Hood also asked for current list of village board members for Seneca and Halsey.

Don Wilson asked for an additional \$600 to do Federal Audit A-133 for Airport Authority. This audit must be done when monies exceed \$500,000 of federal money Motion to approve additional expense to Don Wilson of \$600 for Federal Audit A-133 made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Absent: Daly. Motion carried. Atkins signed request forms for audit. Wilson also presented standard letter for Chairman Atkins to sign which requests the County Attorney give Wilson access to any pending lawsuits against county.

Discussion held regarding letter from Phillip Licking regarding personal items of his that were taken during the fire investigation at Seneca. Sheriff Eng stated that those items were sent to the Crime Lab in Lincoln via the State Fire Marshall who investigated the fire. That said Fire Marshall was terminated in his job, thus slowing the return of said items. Letter was referred to County Attorney Arganbright for further response.

Discussion was held regarding DMV agreement. No action taken.

Discussion on road projects held. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit.

Absent: Daly. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be held March 3, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Pat Neben/ Deputy Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 3, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., March 3, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. Members present were Charles Daly, Stan Pettit, and Alan Atkins. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker and John Webster of Murphy Tractor. Chairman Atkins stated public meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested.

Notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on February 19, 2009.

Motion to adopt the March 3, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to approve February 17, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published February 26, 2009 in the Thomas County Herald made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Visitors. Atkins so noted.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes- Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

SALARIES		16524.59
AFLAC	INSURANCE	282.70
ALAMAR UNIFORMS	UNIFORMS	608.42
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1675.51
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL	INSURANCE	162.56
AS IMSERVICES	SERVCES	52.06
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	50.90
BLAINE COUNTY	MILEAGE	87.00
BLUE CROSS	INSURANCE	2403.58
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES	293.00
CONSOLIDATED	TELEPHONE	506.68
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER	UTILITIES	372.60
DELL MARKETING L.P	EQUIPMENT	1131.70
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	29.30
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE	DEF. COMP	1231.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	75.35
HODGES CONOCO INC	SHERIFF FUEL	304.09
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	213
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	79.20
LECC	CONF REG	95.00
MELHAM MEDICAL CENTER	TESTING	113.50
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1473.83
NACO	REGISTRATION	225.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAX	354.09
DAN OSMOND	CAMERA INST	75.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	84.00
REDMAN'S SHOES OF	SHERIFF	
KEARNEY	BOOTS	179.99
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	174.35
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAX	3977.56
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	172.28
WATCH GUARD	EQUIPMENT	5070.00

ROAD FUND-

SALARIES		5383.73
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	462.16
BLUE CROSS	INSURANCE	558.44
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES	92.57
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER	UTILITIES	105.45
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	2772.50
HODGES CONOCO INC	ROAD FUEL	339.69
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	1058.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAX	113.88
NIOBRARA VALLEY	SURVEYOR	
CONSULTANTS	FEES	2610.22
NMC	REPAIR	1886.66
RODOCKER, THAYNE	CDL PHYSICAL	107.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	138.80
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAX	1017.11

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	TELEPHONE	51.05
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LIBRARY FUND-

SALARIES		1250.88
AFLAC	INSURANCE	26.50
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	36.04
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK	BOOKS	238.50
CONSOLIDATED	TELEPHONE	92.27
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER	UTILITIES	475.95

DEMCO INC	SUPPLIES	100.71
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	12.13
FOLLETT SOFTWARE CO	BOOKS	240.00
NATIONAL GEOPRAPHIC	BOOKS	15.90
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	57.90
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAX	12.80
PENWORTHY COMPANY	BOOKS	241.95
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	131.69
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAX	203.90

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	TELEPHONE	98.86
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER	UTILITIES	345.60
DEPT. OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	158.00
PURDUM STATE BANK	PAYMENT	1050.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	25.00

Office reports were given. The Sheriff reported that their office had received the Forest Service grant money to purchase equipment. Emergency Manager reported that Region 26 has been discussing their billing procedures. He will have more information on this in May. Clerk reported on Noah Nutter's confirmation as the Veteran's Service Officer, County Government Day on March 23rd, agland values have been set for the abstract due on March 19th, the purchase of a computer to be used as a server in IT room, and that the road personnel needs to assist the clerk in finishing the FEMA forms. The Treasurer reported that she had hired Johna Eaton as her Deputy and that the tax sale was held on Monday March 2nd.

Motion to approve office and fee reports as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

John Webster of Murphy Tractor visited with the board regarding the equipment they have for sale. No action taken.

Motion to accept the Auditor's Management Discussion and Analysis report made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the US Bank Purchasing Card. Board advised clerk to contact Danene Miller of US Bank and see if she could attend the next board meeting. No action taken.

Discussion on patchwork projects and other road projects was held. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be held March 17, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman/Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 17, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:02 a.m., March 17, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, County Road Superintendent Lloyd Smith, MaryAnn Mintle, George Mintle, and Steve Brown.

Chairman Atkins stated public meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on March 5, 2009.

Motion to adopt the March 17, 2009 agenda made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve March 3, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published March 12, 2009 in the Thomas County Herald made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Visitors.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve claim items as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

AS IMSERVICES	SERVICES	51.19
AT&T	UTILITIES	39.86
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	110.84
L & L GRAVEL	SERVICES	75.00
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH	ASSESSMENT	274.25
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	4.59
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	129.89
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	PUBLISHING	534.80

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	1988.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	64.13
RODOCKER CONST CO INC	SERVICES	400.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

COUNTY VISITORS FUND-

JANELLE JENNINGS	SERVICES	35.00
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LIBRARY FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	COPIER EXP.	425.00
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER	UTILITIES	426.02

Office reports were given. The Clerk reported on the County Board of Equalization Workshop to be held in Kearney on May 14th and visited with the board about the surplus inventory sale. The Treasurer reported on tax sales and County Government Day. The Sheriff reported on activity at the forest and the estimated date the construction will start on the viaduct. The Emergency Manger reported that Region 26 would like to meet with the Fire Departments and EMT's regarding the new 911 addresses.

Motion to approve office reports as presented made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Steve Brown of the Thedford Economic Development Committee visited with the board about the possibility of raising the lodging tax. The board determined they would like to visit with the Thomas County Visitors Committee. No action taken. Discussion was held on the items to be listed on the surplus sale. No action taken.

Discussion was held on the NACO sponsored Long-term Disability Insurance Program for employees. No action taken.

MaryAnn and George Mintle visited with the board about the possibility of a installing a new county road east of their current road. No action taken, pending further discussion with the County Attorney.

Discussion on roads held.

County Road Superintendent Lloyd Smith presented the board with the Nebraska Department of Roads - Timber Bridge Inspection and Ratings 2008 report for Thomas County.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be held April 7, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk.

Additions may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 7, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:02 a.m., April 7, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Attorney Warren Arganbright, road personnel Thayne Rodocker, Danene Miller of US Bank, Tagg From, and Kirby Linse of NMC.

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

Notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on March 26, 2009.

Motion to adopt the April 7, 2009 agenda made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve March 17, 2009 regular meeting minutes with spelling corrections, published March 26, 2009 in the Thomas County Herald made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Visitors.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	446.89
ALAMAR UNIFORMS	UNIFORMS	680.35
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1684.78
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
AT&T	UTILITIES	61.02
B & D OFFICE CITY	OFF SUPPLIES	509.76
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2403.58
CENTRAL SANDHILLS AREA EXT OFFICE	ASSESSMENT	3387.29
CONSOLIDATED	UTILITIES	455.78
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	425.38
GARY J. ENG	OFF SUPPLIES	26.26
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	29.73
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	77.790
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	79.20
HOOKER COUNTY SHERIFF	SERVICES	35.00
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	SERVICES	95.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	789.63
NE ASSOC. OF COUNTY TREASURERS	REGISTRATION	75.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	REPAIRS	3.49
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAX	362.27
NEBRASKA UC FUND	TAX	167.58
DAN OSMOND	SERVICES	75.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	59.60
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	476.70
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER	ASSESSMENT	258.00
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	3363.97
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	928.11
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED. TAXES	4015.85
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	96.00
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	PUBLISHING	106.14
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	300.00
DONALD D WILSON	SERVICES	5900.00
SALARIES		17054.35

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	462.16
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	558.44
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	109.29
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	125.30
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	4535.73
HARSH MERCANTILE	SUPPLIES	15.94
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	1728.26
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	74.15
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	113.88
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	850.50
NMC	REPAIRS	2821.86
PAULSEN INC	SUPPLIES	790.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	84.08
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED.TAXES	1017.11
SALARIES		5383.73

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	UTILITIES	51.14
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COUNTY VISITORS FUND-

THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	PUBLISHING	53.87
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COUNTY ASSISTANCE FUND-

EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	97.17
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LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	26.50
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	44.00
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76

AUDIO CRAFT PUBLISHING	BOOKS	85.67
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	238.50
CONSOLIDATED	UTILITIES	91.89
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	357.33
NATIONAL GEOPGRAPHIC COLLECTION	BOOKS	15.90
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	75.80
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAX	15.38
PENWORTHY COMPANY	BOOKS	186.80
PUMPKIN BOOKS	BOOKS	176.04
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	74.53
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED. TAX	228.40
SALARIES		1298.05
AIRPORT FUND-		
DONALD D WILSON	SERVICES	600.00

Motion to approve the office and fee reports as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Danene Miller of US Bank visited with the board regarding the US Bank Purchasing Card program they have available.

Motion to enter into agreement with US Bank and open a US Bank Purchasing Card for Thomas County was made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on setting the minimum bids for the surplus items listed for sale by auction on April 7, 2009.

Motion to approve the completed year ending June 30, 2008 Audit Report of Thomas County made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried. A copy of the Audit Report will be kept on file in the Thomas County Clerk's office.

Discussion was held on the capabilities of the Reverse 911 system that Region 26 is looking to purchase.

Motion to write a letter of support from the Thomas County Board of Commissioners to the Region 26 board members stating their support of the Reverse 911 system made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion on the Werner Ave road project was held.

Tagg From visited with the board about the possibility of installing a 16 foot auto gate at the entrance of the Thomas County Fairgrounds.

Motion to install a 16 foot auto gate at the entrance to the Thomas County Fairgrounds made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Tagg From will contact Thayne Rodocker when they are ready to start the project.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins, Pettit. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:16 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be held April 21, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 21, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:02 a.m., April 21, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Charles Daly, Stan Pettit, and Alan Atkins. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Road personnel Thayne Rodocker, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Bethany Johnston – Central Sandhills Area Extension Office, and Cody Moore – Ames Construction Co. Chairman Atkins stated public 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 April 9, 2009.

Motion to adopt the April 21, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to approve April 7, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Pettit, second by Daly.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Visitors.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins.

GENERAL FUND-

AS IMSERVICES	SERVICES	52.26
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF	JAIL	150.00
L & L GRAVEL	SNOW REMOVAL	75.00
TERRI LICKING	MILEAGE	19.80
NACO	REGISTRATION	240.00
NEBRASKA COUNTY ASSESSORS ASSOC	DUES	50.00
STEPHENS-PECK INC	SUBSCRIPTIONS	65.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	OFFICE EXPENSE	74.87

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	340.88
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	7900214532-835	56.41
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COUNTY ASSISTANCE FUND-

PHILLIPS 66-CONOCO 76	FUEL	9.85
MARISSA SAWYER	SERVICES	20.00

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	UTILITIES	98.86
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	345.63
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	158.00

Clerk reported that change of value notices would be sent out the second week of May. Informal protest hearings will be held on May 26th. The Clerk also reported that she will be in Lincoln on May 27th to testify at the State Capitol regarding the Grant application with the NE State Records Board.

Treasurer reported that she has had someone use the service to register their vehicle online. The Treasurer also wanted to remind everyone that taxes are due on April 30th.

Emergency Manager reported on a storm spotter training to be held April 23rd. The mapping meeting with Region 26 and emergency personnel has been scheduled for April 27th.

Motion to approve the office reports as presented made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins called the public hearing open for the Special Use Permit for Ames Construction Company open at 10:32 a.m.

Chairman Atkins closed the public hearing at 10:43 a.m.

Motion to approve the recommendation from the Thomas County Planning Commission for the special use permit to Ames Construction Company made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Thomas County Purchase Card Policy for the US Bank Purchase Card made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Bethany Johnston visited with the board about the budget request for the Central Sandhills Area Extension office.

Motion to approve the Central Sandhills Area Extension Office budget for FY2010 made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-5 Agreement with West Central District Health Department and to extend the term of the agreement to June 30, 2010 made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to release original lease and right of first refusal with Kris & Kristen Ganoung dated April 26, 2008 made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to offer to enter into revised lease with Kris & Kristen Ganoung made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be held May 5, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 5, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:08 a.m., May 5, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Alan Atkins, Charles Daly, and Stan Pettit. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker, Sheriff Gary Eng, Sally Vaughn, Rick McFadden, and Bill Elliott.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 April 23, 2009.

Motion to adopt the May 5, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve April 21, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Pettit, second by Daly.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly.

Acknowledgement of Visitors. None present at this time.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	446.89
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1684.78
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	52.59
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2403.58
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT ASSOCIATION	DUES	25.00
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	432.31
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	533.18
GARY J. ENG	MEALS	21.66
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	24.00
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	500.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	789.63
NACO	REGISTRATION	75.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	173.41
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAX	366.63
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	90.30
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAX	4048.44
SINCLAIR	FUEL	42.70
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	5.20
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	PUBLICATIONS	486.98
SALARIES		17173.35

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	546.54
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	558.44
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	120.52
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	95.55
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	896.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAX	113.09
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAX	1017.11
SALARIES		5350.77

LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	26.50
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	31.43
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	373.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	91.93
H. W. WILSON CO	BOOKS	248.00
RHONDA HAUMANN	REPAIRS	74.90
MIDAMERICA BOOKS	BOOKS	134.55
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	80.08
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAX	12.22
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	91.47
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAX	202.66
UPSTART	BOOKS	32.60
SALARIES		1198.36

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.24
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	357.58
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	1308.00

Clerk reported on upcoming workshops, NACO/Blue Cross Blue Shield meeting on May 13th at 3:00 p.m. in Kearney and Assessor workshop on May 7th in North Platte.

Sheriff reported on continuing education classes he will be attending this month. He also gave recap of incidents that he responded to for the month of April.

Treasurer reported on taxes that had been paid.

Emergency Manager reported on Region 26 budget discussions.

Motion to approve and accept office and fee reports made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Discussion on delinquent foreclosure on real estate tax on parcel #860015319. No action taken. Tax was paid on parcel prior to meeting.

Sally Vaughn of Region II Services presented the annual update on their services.

Discussion on road projects was held.

Discussion on the moving of fence located on the ground sold to the State of Nebraska in Section 16-23-28.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 11:52 a.m.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 1:01 p.m.

Motion to enter into contract with Bill Elliott to move the fence as per the road project specifications made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:16 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be May 19, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 2, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:10 a.m., June 2, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker, and County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith. Chairman Atkins stated public 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 May 21, 2009.

Motion to adopt the June 2, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve May 19, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Pettit, second by Daly.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Visitors.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	446.89
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1685.12
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	139.22
BLAINE COUNTY	SHERIFF MLG	18.56
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2403.58
CAROL CONARD	EXPENSES	3644.70
CONSOLIDATED	TELEPHONE	346.36
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	406.90
GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE	164.28
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	5.69
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	344.30
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	135.90
LINDEMEIER & ASSOCIATES	FEES	334.00
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	500.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	789.63
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	352.76
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	39.00
QUILL	SUPPLIES	62.99
LARRY REXROTH	SERVICES	1050.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	424.10
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	4029.27
THEDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS	MILEAGE/BUS	79.20
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	2.58
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	PUBLISHING	472.61
TYLER GRAPHIC	ELECTION	93.00
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	POSTAGE	759.20
SALARIES		17183.09

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	546.54
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	558.44
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES	190.97
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	34.64
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	288.13
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	48.48
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	113.09
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	1386.79
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	1017.11
SALARIES		5350.77

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	TELEPHONE	53.04
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COUNTY VISITOR FUND-

THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	PUBLISHING	131.72
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LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	26.50
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	22.63
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	238.50
CONSOLIDATED	TELEPHONE	93.21
DIAMOND LAKE BOOK CO	BOOKS	20.90
ROSA LEE HAMILTON	BOOKS	12.00
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	30.80
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	12.62
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	195.02
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	POSTAGE	59.60
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	300.00
SALARIES		1155.30

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	TELEPHONE	99.24
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	297.20
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	158.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	50.00

Clerk reported on the scheduling of Board of Equalization meeting for July 7, 2009 at 10:30 a.m., and the janitor position. She also reported on the grant hearing at the State Capitol on May 27th, Thomas County will be receiving a grant in the amount of \$25,000 to be used as payment to GIS Workshop for the software purchased in May 2007 on an installment plan.

Treasurer reported on receipts and disbursements for the month of May.

Sheriff reported on the Forest Contract and services provided over Memorial Day weekend and the vandalism in the Village of Thedford.

Emergency Manager reported on the Region 26 budget discussions.

Motion to approve office and fee reports made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the recommendation from the Thomas County Visitors Committee and appoint Tom Witt as the representative to the Western Nebraska Travel Coalition made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Discussion on various roads projects included: Patching projects for the summer, Ewoldt Road auto gate, Peters Ln auto gate, Avey Ln abandoned road, Purdum Ave road project, and road signs.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m. The next meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be June 16, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 16, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:18 a.m., June 16, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Alan Atkins and Charles Daly. Members absent were Stan Pettit. Motion to excuse Stan Pettit made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Tom Witt, Steve Brown, Kevin Hood, Ronnell Jonas, Mike Kovanda, and Thayne Rodocker.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 June 4, 2009.

Motion to adopt the June 16, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve June 2, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Daly, second by Atkins.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Visitors.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

ALAMAR UNIFORMS	SUPPLIES	139.32
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	144.32
CHERRY COUNTY SHERIFF	INMATE FEES	1365.00
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF	INMATE FEES	100.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	67.24
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEALS	385.39
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	149.90
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	79.20
NATIONAL SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION	DUES	50.00
REDFIELD & COMPANY INC	SUPPLIES	142.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	61.02
THOMAS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY	UTILITIES	2000.00

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	1197.00
MENARD'S	SUPPLIES	11.90
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	FEES	410.00
NMC	REPAIRS	819.03
RODOCKER CONST CO INC	CATTLE GUARD	200.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14
WESTERN ENGINEERING	COLD MIX	2122.12

LIBRARY FUND-

CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	67.90
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COUNTY DEBT SERVICE FUND-

SECURITY FIRST BANK	BLDG PAYMENT	33330.30
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Chairman Atkins opened public hearing for 2% Increase to Lodging Tax to create a County Visitors Improvement Fund at 10:31a.m. Testimony was heard regarding the 2% increase. Chairman Atkins closed the public hearing at 10:59a.m.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-7, 2% increase to lodging tax to create a County Improvement Fund made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2009-7

WHEREAS, Section 81-1255 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes 1943, R.R.S. 2008, provides for the creation of a County Visitors Improvement Fund, after public hearing and consideration by the County Board of Thomas County, Nebraska; and,

WHEREAS, the Statutes of the State of Nebraska, particularly Section 81-1254, Neb. Rev. Stat. 1943, R.R.S. 2008, provide for imposition of an additional sales tax not to exceed 2% upon the total consideration charged for occupancy of any space furnished by any hotel in Thomas County, Nebraska, if a County Visitors Improvement Fund has been created by the County Board of Thomas County, Nebraska; and,

WHEREAS, on the 16th day of June, 2009, a hearing was held pursuant to published notice in the Thomas County Herald, a copy of the Affidavit of Publication of such published notice is attached hereto and specifically made a part hereof by this reference; and,

WHEREAS, at such public hearing, testimony was taken for the purpose of considering the creation of a County Visitors Improvement Fund and imposition of the additional sales tax not to exceed 2%.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF THOMAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, that there is hereby created the Thomas County Visitors Improvement Fund for the receipt and disbursement of Thomas County Visitors Improvement Fund receipts as provided by statute.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Board of Thomas County, Nebraska, resolves to impose as additional sales tax of 2% upon the total consideration charged for occupancy of any space furnished by any hotel in the County as provided by statute.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Thomas County Visitors Committee is already in existence and modification is not necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Treasurer of Thomas County, Nebraska, should create such funds and make such entries as be necessary to create and effectuate the Thomas County Visitors Improvement Fund.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-6, transferring funds from County General to Roads made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2009-6

WHEREAS, in order to properly account for Thomas County General Funds and to transfer General Funds to the Thomas County Road Fund, it is necessary to adopt this resolution authorizing the same and directing the Treasurer to make such notations and modifications on the books and records of the County Treasurer of Thomas County, Nebraska, as may be necessary to properly reflect said transaction.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF THOMAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, that it is hereby transferred from the Thomas County General Fund the sum of \$150,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said sum shall be transferred from the Thomas County General Fund to the Thomas County Road Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Treasurer of Thomas County, Nebraska, is hereby directed to make such transfers on the books and records of the Thomas County Treasurer, Thomas County, Nebraska, as may be required to properly reflect the transaction and transfer above as set forth herein.

Discussion on various road projects included: Werner Ave., Milroy Ave., N. Seneca Ave, and S. Seneca Ave. No action taken.

Emergency Manager reported on storms in the area for the last couple of weeks.

Clerk reported on Clerk of the District Court workshop in Kearney, Clerk, Election Commissioner and Register of Deeds workshop in North Platte, and protest forms that had been filed.

Motion to approve 3 percent salary increase for full time road personnel for FY 2009-2010 made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

The commissioners reviewed the NIRMA Safety Audit Report.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m. The next meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be July 7, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 7, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:07 a.m., July 7, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Larry Rexroth, County Attorney Warren Arganbright, Bill Jorgensen-Blue Cross Blue Shield, and Road personnel Thayne Rodocker.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 June 18, 2009.

Motion to adopt the July 7, 2009 agenda made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve June 16, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Abstain – Pettit. Motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Visitors.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	569.53
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1684.78
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	51.17
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	349.65
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2667.70
CENTRAL SANDHILLS AREA EXT OFFICE	1ST QUARTER	3498.39
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	379.37
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	388.42
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	27.63
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	390.59
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS	LODGING	140.00
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	272.80
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	500.00
MARSHALL & SWIFT/BOECKH	SUBSCRIPTIONS	325.95
MIPS INC	SERVICES	256.95
NACO	DUES	714.11
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	25.78
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	363.31
NIELSEN & BIRCH	COURT COSTS	1305.60
NIRMA	INSURANCE	8770.00
PRESTO X LLC	PEST CONTROL	39.00
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER	ASSESSMENT	268.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	64.05
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	4062.23
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	4.95
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	78.59
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	360.00
SALARIES		17368.02

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	560.42
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	619.81
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	222.86
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	26.00
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	1691.76
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	514.84
K C ELECTRIC	SERVICES	147.09
KOVANDA MIKE	CELL PHONE	120.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	6.68
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	112.76
NIRMA	INSURANCE	12459.00
NMC	REPAIRS	459.49
PAULSEN INC	SUPPLIES	880.00
RODOCKER, THAYNE	CELL PHONE	120.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	1956.05
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	1064.80
SALARIES		5592.04

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	PHONE	72.78
THEDFORD RESCUE SQUAD	1/2 ATV	800.00

LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	72.00
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	54.90
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	148.00
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	92.18
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	122.16
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	11.17
MIDAMERICA BOOKS	BOOKS	119.47
NATIONAL GEOPGRAPHIC COLLECTION	BOOKS	15.90
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	84.90
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	16.22

NIRMA	INSURANCE	1033.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	157.60
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	244.74
SALARIES		1438.91

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.22
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	239.15
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	LOAN PAYMENT	158.00
NIRMA	INSURANCE	553.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	25.00

Bill Jorgensen of Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance visited with the board regarding the health insurance increase.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 10:38 a.m. for Board of Equalization.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 11:37 a.m.

Treasurer reported on receipts for the month. Sheriff reported on 4th of July weekend. Clerk reported on rain gutter repair on west side of courthouse, moving thermostat in the Central Sandhills Extension Office, scheduling budget workshop date, road signs and driveway behind courthouse. Emergency Manager reported on Red Cross correspondence and Region 26 budget.

Motion to accept all office and fee reports as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote:

Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Discussion on road projects included Dan Naber’s road, W. North Loup Rd., Koroy Loop, and concrete from Jackie Sevier in Seneca.

Motion to authorize Alan Atkins to sign any documents as needed for the Halsey North Road Project made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion on West Central District Health Department Interlocal Agreement. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m. The next meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be July 21, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 21, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:07 a.m., July 21, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were: Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Road Superintendent Lloyd Smith, and road personnel Mike Kovanda.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 9, 2009.

Motion to adopt the July 21, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes- Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve July 7, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Acknowledgement of Visitors.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	51.90
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	29.57
CARROT TOP INDUSTRIES	SUPPLIES	329.06
MARSHALL & SWIFT/BOECKH	SERVICES	462.20
MIPS INC	SERVICES	813.88
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	68.92
NOTARY PUBLIC UNDERWRITERS, INC	SUBSCRIPTIONS	95.50
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	3040.22
SECURITY FIRST BANK	SUPPLIES	24.74
JUDY TAYLOR	MILEAGE	132.00
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	PUBLISHINGS	288.45
WEST CENTRAL NEBR AREA AGENCY	ASSESSMENT	370.00

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
NMC	REPAIRS	28.97
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYENT	1717.14
WESTERN ENGINEERING	COLD MIX	1125.74

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	PHONE	68.44
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LIBRARY FUND-

JUDY RATH	COMPUTER	477.05
LIBRARY AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	BOOKS	53.06

Office reports:

Clerk reported that Frey's Heating & Air Conditioning had been contacted in regards to the Extension Office thermostat and also reported on the computer issues at the courthouse.

Treasurer reported that 2nd half taxes are due August 31, 2009.

Sheriff reported about an investigation he will be involved with in Lincoln County.

Discussion regarding NPERS correspondence involving payroll deductions. Tabled pending further investigation and correspondence.

Discussion regarding Deputy Sheriff's position. Tabled pending further investigation.

Review of Assessor Three Year Plan. Motion to accept assessor's three year plan made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes- Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding correspondence received from Viaero Wireless on Broadband for Thomas County. No action taken.

Various road projects discussed included: Naber road, Ryman Lane, culvert for turnoff at Kennedy place on S. Seneca Ave., and belly dump trailers for sale by Cherry County. Lloyd Smith also visited with the board regarding the status of the Halsey North Road Project.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be August 4, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 4, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:01 a.m., August 4, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng, and Road Superintendent Lloyd Smith.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 23, 2009.

Motion to adopt the August 4, 2009 made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve July 21, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Daly, second by Pettit.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

No visitors present.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Pettit, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	569.53
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1689.41
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2667.70
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	388.23
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	468.50
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	38.54
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEAL	48.47
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	281.23
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	79.20
	PROBATION	
LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK	FESS	582.18
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	500.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	928.36
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	5.39
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	361.60
NSA/POAN CONFERENCE	REGISTRATION	130.00
PLATTE VALLEY SEAMLESS CUTTERS	REPAIR	50.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	61.00
PRESTO X LLC	PEST CONTROL	39.00
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	491.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	285.60
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SANDHILLS ELECTRIC	REPAIR	40.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	4051.07
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	19.35
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	ADMINISTRATIVE	184.03
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	PUBLICATIONS	305.31
SALARIES		17300.66

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	560.42
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	619.81
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	259.79
CHERRY COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT	ASPHALT	7514.43
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	26.14
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	3101.00
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	2828.31
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	4.79
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	112.76
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SURVEYOR	2354.31
NMC	REPAIRS	706.88
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	162.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1064.80
SALARIES		5592.04

LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	72.00
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	47.68
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	92.46
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	170.08
EBSCO SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES	BOOKS	535.19
NATIONAL GEOPGRAPHIC COLLECTION	BOOKS	15.90
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	47.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	12.21
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	98.28
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	199.64
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	35.00
SALARIES		1173.81

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.54
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	179.79
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	1308.00

VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	25.00
DAN WADAS	MOWING	375.00
WAITE, MCWHA & HARVAT	RETAINER	1000.00
WERNER CONSTRUCTION INC	LABOR	3335.00
YANT EQUIPMENT INC	FUEL PUMP	240.48

Office reports:

Clerk reported on the West Central District meeting in North Platte on September 24th, NEMA reports completed for the State of Nebraska for disaster 1706 and 1770, Request for gravel on Llama Lane (Monte Dickman's road), NACO convention December 9 – 11, safety committee meeting on September 15th, and the Dell server.

Sheriff reported on the law enforcement contract with the Halsey forest, horses abandoned at the Halsey forest, and special thanks to Thayne Rodocker for repairing the north driveway at the courthouse.

Emergency Manager reported on the Region 26 budget and the talks being held with Cherry County Communications Director regarding the cell phone tower at Brownlee to route 911 calls to Region 26.

Motion to approve office and fee reports as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Road projects discussed included: Ryman Lane, Naber Road, and updates on the Halsey North Project from Lloyd Smith.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be August 18, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 18, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:05 a.m., August 18, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Charles Daly, Stan Pettit, and Alan Atkins. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood and road personnel Thayne Rodocker. Chairman Atkins stated public meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested.

Notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on August 6, 2009.

Motion to adopt the August 18, 2009 agenda made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to approve August 4, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Daly, second by Pettit.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

No visitors present.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	97.00
GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE	147.40
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEAL	81.39
MIPS INC	SUPPLIES	27.94
NEBRASKA COUNTY ASSESSORS ASSOC	DUES	100.00
NIELSEN & BIRCH	FEES	210.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	857.89

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14
WESTERN ENGINEERING	COLD MIX	4356.66

VISITORS FUND-

THE COPY HOUSE	PRINTING	121.61
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Office reports:

Sheriff reported on forest contract, presented Distress Warrant Report to the board, and also reported on NIRMA conference he attended in Kearney.

Clerk reported that Lloyd Smith had contacted Tim Ryan of Keith County to serve as RC for Thomas County on the Halsey North Project and that certificate of valuations had been completed and mailed out to all political subdivisions.

Treasurer reported on the receipt of Forest Reserve Funds in the amount of \$213,885.93. The funds were disbursed in this manner. Thomas County Roads received \$33,051.22. Thedford School District #1 received \$44,068.29. Mullen School District received \$44,068.29. Dunning School District #71 received \$60,615.24. Thedford Rural Fire Department received \$8,020.73. Halsey Rural Fire District received \$8,020.72. Purdum Rural Fire Department received \$8,020.72. Dunning Rural Fire District received \$8,020.72.

Emergency Manager reported on working with Cherry County 911 and the fire district boundaries.

Motion to approve office and fee reports as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt the Upper Loup Hazard Mitigation Plan made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-8 made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Resolution #2009-8

WHEREAS, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 was signed into law on October 30, 2000, placing new emphasis on state and local mitigation planning for natural hazards and requiring communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and

WHEREAS, a Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan was prepared by Upper Loup Natural Resources District with assistance from JEO Consulting Group, Inc. of Lincoln, NE which includes Thomas County.

WHEREAS, the purpose of the mitigation plan was to lessen the affects of disasters by increasing the disaster resistance of the District and participating jurisdictions located within the planning boundary by identifying the hazards that affect the District and prioritize mitigation strategies to reduce potential loss of life and property damage from those hazards, and

WHEREAS, FEMA regulations require documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of Thomas County in the form of a resolution and further requesting approval of the plan at the Federal Level; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body of Thomas County does herewith adopt the Upper Loup Natural Resources District Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan in its entirety; and

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of August 2009.

Discussion was held regarding the NIRMA letter dated July 27, 2009 in regards to insurance coverage for the Sheriff when he is acting outside of the county line. The board instructed the County Attorney to pursue an interlocal agreement with Blaine County.

Discussion was held regarding the NPERS letter dated May 26, 2009 in which they advised Thomas County that retirement was not being withheld on Lloyd Smith and Tim Sierks. Previous audits had been performed and had never discovered this error.

Motion to pay county share of retirement for the last two years based on Statute 23-2330.01 on Lloyd Smith and Tim Sierks to be paid over the elected period selected by the employees made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Discussion on various road projects included: Ryman Lane easement, Hanna Lane upkeep of the road located in Thomas County, and Sherman land for sale in Thedford.

Discussion was held in regards to the dirt removal on the land owned by Thomas County in Section 16-23-28 and the temporary easement for the Thedford South Viaduct. County Attorney was instructed to write a letter to Toby Thompson of the Nebraska Department of Roads asking that when the temporary road is removed the County would like the dirt to be returned to site it was taken from.

Motion to authorize chairman to sign Forms NBCS Form 1f and NBCS Form 6 for the Annual Road Program Report made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 1:09 p.m.

Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Librarian Ronda Haumann and Susan Maline of McChesney, Martin & Sagehorn.

Budget work session held.

Motion to accept annual inventory statements of county offices made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to provide letter of support for U.S. Cellular and broadband service in Thomas County made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – none, Nays – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion failed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be September 1, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 1, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:03 a.m., September 1, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Patti Barney of Bessey National Forest, road personnel Thayne Rodocker, and Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith.

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

Notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on August 20, 2009.

Motion to adopt the September 1, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve August 18, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	569.53
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1703.99
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	71.98
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2667.70
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	400.16
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	408.96
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	432.50
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	416.90
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	79.20
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	500.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	88.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	359.28
POSTER COMPLIANCE CENTER	SUPPLIES	79.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	44.00
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	39.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	233.15
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	4038.03
SALARIES		17,218.04

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	560.42
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	619.81
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES	38.26
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	26.00
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	1431.88
GCR TIRE CENTERS	TIRE	929.16
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	2489.54
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	112.76
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	FEES	4555.55
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	70.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	1064.80
SALARIES		5592.04

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	PHONE	59.96
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LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	72.00
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	43.10
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
BIG RED PRESS	BOOKS	24.06
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	133.37
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	92.20
FOLLETT SOFTWARE CO	BOOKS	467.11
GOLDEN HORSE LTD.	BOOKS	13.77
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	13.06
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	200.94
UPSTART	BOOKS	92.40
SALARIES		1182.46

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.54
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	82.00
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	276.82
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	158.00
TED J ORMESHER	SERVICES	675.00
RYDER-ROSACKER-MCCUE & HUSTON	INSURANCE	2435.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	25.00

Office reports:

Sheriff reported on the Forest contract and horse sale held down at the forest on August 31, 2009.

Clerk reported on thermostat in Extension office, yearly maintenance of heating and cooling system, West Central District meeting on September 24th, janitor position, NIRMA safety seminar September 30th, and road signs.

Treasurer reported on distress warrants.

Emergency Manager reported on Cherry County 911 addresses and letter from the State of Nebraska Emergency Management Agency in regards to LEPC contacts, Region 26 will handle this committee.

Motion to approve office and fee reports as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Patti Barney of Bessey National Forest reported on programs and activities happening at the forest.

Discussion on various road projects included: Naber road, road signs, and Blaine County's request to use the rubber tire packer.

Discussion was held on the Interlocal Agreement with Keith County for Responsible Charge position for the Halsey North Road Project. Tabled until September 15th.

Motion to sign UNK Cooperative Agreement for FY 2010 MSHA Annual Refresher Training with a change in the location of training to be at the Thedford site instead of the North Platte site made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins recessed meeting at 12:09 p.m.

Chairman Atkins reconvened meeting at 1:15 p.m. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, and Susan Maline of McChesney, Martin and Sagehorn.

Chairman Atkins opened budget hearing at 1:16 p.m.

Chairman Atkins closed budget hearing at 2:07 p.m.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-9 made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Resolution #2009-9

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the budgeted expenditures for 2008-2009 fiscal year will allow an additional 1.0% increase in the Total 2008-2009 funds subject to limitation; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for Thomas County Board of Commissioners to approve an additional 1.0% increase in the Total 2008-2009 Funds Subject to Limitation per Nebraska Statute; and

WHEREAS, a motion was made by Commissioner Daly and seconded by Commissioner Pettit to approve an additional 1.0% increase in the total 2008-2009 Funds Subject to Limitation.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE Commissioners Pettit, Atkins and Daly voted "aye."

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the 2009-2010 Budget is allowed an additional 1% increase in the Total 2008-2009 Funds Subject to Limitation.

Motion to adopt the 2009-2010 Thomas County Budget showing a tax request of \$515,971 made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve FY 2009 Secure Rural Schools Act/PILT payment election of funds to 85% for Title I and 15% for Title III made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the letter received from the State of Nebraska Department of Agriculture in reference to Animal Control Facility license for Thomas County.

Motion to appoint Cow Country Animal Clinic and Dr. Rod Petrie as Thomas County's designated Animal Control Facility with an annual payment of \$50 for the facility license made by Daly, second by Pettit.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be September 15, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioner

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 15, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:03 a.m., September 15, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Alan Atkins and Charles Daly. Absent – Stan Pettit. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, and Attorney Warren Arganbright.

Motion to excuse Stan Pettit made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 3, 2009.

Motion to adopt the September 15, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve September 1, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	351.88
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	2.09
	ATTORNEY	
LINDEMEIER & ASSOCIATES	FEES	597.67
MIPS INC	SERVICES	931.88
REDFIELD & COMPANY INC	SUPPLIES	106.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	7.02
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT	REGISTRATIONS	137.50

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	REPAIRS	36.06
NMC	REPAIRS	1250.10
OPHEIM-BOOTH REPAIR	REPAIRS	217.10
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

LIBRARY FUND-

CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	150.52
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	16.44

Office reports:

Clerk reported on Frey's Heating & Air Conditioning fees for yearly maintenance on units in the courthouse, Legislative Conference October 8th in Kearney, and the janitor position.

Treasurer reported on outstanding taxes in the county.

Sheriff reported on fire at the Halsey forest and the conference in Kearney the first week of October.

Motion to accept all office reports made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-13 made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Resolution #2009-13

WHEREAS, Certain transportation facilities (roads, streets, trails, and others) in Thomas County have been designated as being eligible for federal funds by the Federal Highway Administration in compliance with federal laws pertaining thereto;

WHEREAS, Thomas County desires to continue to participate in Federal-Aid transportation construction programs;

WHEREAS, The Nebraska Department of Roads as recipient of said Federal funds is charged with oversight of the expenditures of said funds;

WHEREAS, Thomas County as a sub-recipient of said Federal Aid funding is charged with the responsibility of expending said funds in accordance with Federal and State law, the rules and regulations of the Federal Highway Administration, the requirements of the Local Public Agency (LPA) Guidelines Manual of the Nebraska Department of Roads, including the Consultant Selection process as stated in the LPA Guidelines Manual, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act (Uniform Act) and the maintaining of adequate Financial Management Systems; and

WHEREAS, Thomas County understands that the failure to meet all requirements for federal funding could lead to a project(s) being declared ineligible for federal funds, which could result in Thomas County being required to repay some or all of the federal funds expended for a project(s).

BE IT RESOLVED, The Thomas County Board of Commissioners does hereby adopt and bind itself to comply with all applicable federal law, including the rules and regulations of the Federal Highway Administration, all applicable state law and rules and regulations (Nebraska Administrative Code) and the requirements of the LPA Guidelines Manual of the Nebraska Department of Roads, including the consultant selection process as stated in the LPA Guidelines Manual, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act (Uniform Act) and the maintaining of adequate Financial Management Systems.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Thomas County Board of Commissioners does hereby designate the following as responsible for the management of the following processes:

- A. Consultant Selection Process: by Interlocal Agreement, Thomas and Keith Counties in Nebraska, and specifically by Tim Ryan, Keith County Highway Superintendent;

- B. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA): by Interlocal Agreement, Thomas and Keith Counties in Nebraska, and specifically by Tim Ryan, Keith County Highway Superintendent;
- C. The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act (Uniform Act): by Interlocal Agreement, Thomas and Keith Counties in Nebraska, and specifically by Tim Ryan, Keith County Highway Superintendent.

The following individual is hereby authorized to sign the Financial Management Systems Certification attached to this Resolution:

Tim Ryan, Keith County Highway Superintendent

Motion to approve Interlocal Agreement with Keith County and Thomas County for Responsible Charge position for the Halsey North Road Project made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to amend the agenda and to add emergency agenda item discussion/action regarding Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between Thomas County and State of Nebraska Department of Roads referencing project STPE-1755(13) Halsey North and to amend previously approved agreement signed by the board on July 29, 2009. Emergency declared referencing letter received on September 15, 2009 from Gary Thayer – District Engineer State of Nebraska Department of Roads requesting “expedited signing of the agreements because this is the programming document that needs to meet a timeline to be eligible for stimulus funding” made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between Thomas County and State of Nebraska Department of Roads Project No. STPE-1755(13) Halsey North made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion on various road projects.

Chairman Atkins recessed meeting at 12:16 p.m.

Chairman Atkins reconvened meeting at 1:05 p.m. Members present were Alan Atkins and Charles Daly. Absent – Stan Pettit. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman and Treasurer Judy Taylor.

Chairman Atkins opened Tax Levy Hearing at 1:06 p.m.

Chairman Atkins closed Tax Levy Hearing at 1:25 p.m.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-12 to set 2009-2010 property tax request at \$515,971 and the 2009 tax rate of 0.326609 made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Resolution #2009-12

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the property tax request for the prior year shall be the property tax request for the current year for the purpose of the levy set by the County Board of Equalization unless the Governing Body of the County passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request at a different amount; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County that the property tax request for the current year be a different amount than the property tax request for the prior year.

NOW, THEREFORE, the County Commissioners of Thomas County, Nebraska by a majority vote, resolves that:

1. The property tax request for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 be set at \$515,971.
2. The County Clerk certify and file a copy of this resolution with the office of the County Clerk prior to October 13, 2009.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be October 6, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioner

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
October 6, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:07 a.m., October 6, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, road personnel Thayne Rodocker, Attorney Warren Arganbright, and Clay Mohr, Shanaell Gunther and Ian Beshaier of Arnold Public Schools. Chairman Atkins stated public 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 24, 2009.

Motion to adopt the October 6, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve September 15, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Daly, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins. Abstain – Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	569.53
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1684.78
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	95.57
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2667.70
CENTRAL SANDHILLS AREA EXT OFFICE	ASSESSMENT	3498.39
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	397.14
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	782.83
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	384.50
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	81.79
FREY'S HEATING AND AIR	REPAIRS	146.8
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	75.35
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	176.56
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	500.00
MCCHESNY MARTIN SAGEHORN, PC	SERVICES	4800.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	926.88
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	30.32
PAT NEBEN	MILEAGE	132.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	359.25
PLATTE VALLEY FIRE & EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	18.00
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	39.00
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	491.00
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER	ASSESSMENT	268.00
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	3040.22
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	404.20
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECRETARY OF STATE	TRAINING	25.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	4052.77
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	3.63
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	90.39
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	153.58
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	SUBSCRIPTION	25.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	300.00
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT	DUES	20.00
SALARIES		17315.07

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	560.42
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	619.81
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	106.00
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	26.00
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	1633.50
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	2437.76
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	371.00
MENARD'S	SUPPLIES	65.32
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	112.76
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	3755.65
NMC	REPAIRS	74.08
OPHEIM-BOOTH REPAIR	REPAIRS	2887.12
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	317.43
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	1064.80
WESTERN ENGINEERING	COLD MIX	1633.17
SALARIES		5592.04

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	PHONE	51.57
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COUNTY VISITORS FUND-

IDEA BANK MARKETING, INC	SERVICES	242.09
WESTERN NEBRASKA TOURISM COALITION	DUES	273.49

COUNTY ASSISTANCE FUND-

DAN HODGES	RENT	200.00
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LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	72.00
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	47.68
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76

MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	92.33
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	134.59
NATIONAL GEOPRAPHIC COLLECTION	BOOKS	15.90
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	13.92
PLATTE VALLEY FIRE & EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	18.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	32.10
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	209.92
UPSTART	BOOKS	82.95
SALARIES		1233.87

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.54
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	468.72
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	158.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	25.00
WAITE, MCWHA & HARVAT	SERVICES	1199.30

Office reports:

Sheriff office and fee reports presented to the board.

Clerk reported on County Assistance request guidelines, NPERS correspondence regarding Lloyd Smith, NACO voter registration form, presented the NIRMA quarterly loss report, and discussion on County Government Day.

Treasurer reported on taxes received and letters she sent out on delinquent taxes and the good response she has had in collecting taxes.

Emergency Manager reported on the 911 mapping in Cherry County.

Motion to approve all office and fee reports made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes- Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Clay Mohr, Shanaell Gunther and Ian Bashaier of the Arnold Public Schools talked with the board about road signs for Thomas County. Estimate of cost for the road signs will be provided at a later date.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-10 made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Resolution #2009-10

WHEREAS, the County of Thomas has a Special Road/Bridge Fund, and

WHEREAS, Thomas County has determined there is no longer a need to have a separate Special Road/Bridge Fund,

WHEREAS, the Thomas County Special Road/Bridge Fund will be closed as of October, 2009. The County Treasurer is directed to transfer all money remaining in the Thomas County Special Road/Bridge Fund, the sum of \$5,923.06 to the Thomas County Road Fund. The County Treasurer is further directed to automatically transfer any future collections for the Thomas County Special Road/Bridge Fund directly to the Thomas County Road Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF THOMAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, that the Thomas County Treasurer shall transfer from the Thomas County Special Road/Bridge Fund to the Thomas County Road Fund the sum of \$5,923.06, according to law.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-11 made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Resolution #2009-11

WHEREAS, the County of Thomas has a Veterans Aid Fund, and

WHEREAS, Thomas County has determined there is no longer a need to have a separate Veterans Aid Fund,

WHEREAS, the Thomas County Veterans Aid Fund will be closed as of October, 2009. The County Treasurer is directed to transfer all money remaining in the Thomas County Veterans Aid Fund, the sum of \$1,088.43 to the Thomas County General Fund. The County Treasurer is further directed to automatically transfer any future collections for the Thomas County Veterans Aid Fund directly to the Thomas County General Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF THOMAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, that the Thomas County Treasurer shall transfer from the Thomas County Veterans Aid Fund to the Thomas County General Fund the sum of \$1,088.43, according to law.

Road project discussion was held.

Motion to approve duplicate Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between Thomas County and Nebraska Department of Roads Project No. STPE-1755(13) Halsey North made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins recessed meeting at 12:08 p.m.

Board of Equalization meeting held. See separate minutes.

Chairman Atkins reconvened meeting at 1:31 p.m. Members present were Alan Atkins, Charles Daly, and Stan Pettit. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor and Deputy Clerk Pat Neben.

Deputy Clerk Pat Neben reported on NIRMA safety meeting she attended in Ogallala.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be October 20, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioner

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
October 20, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., October 20, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Alan Atkins, Charles Daly, and Stan Pettit. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith and Kirby Linse of NMC.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 October 8, 2009.

Motion to adopt amended October 20, 2009 agenda with emergency agenda item #15A added, discussion/action regarding Resolution #2009-15 authorizing Alan Atkins-Chairperson of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners to sign agreement between Thomas County and Nebraska Department of Roads. Emergency declared referencing communications between Nebraska Department of Roads, Mitch Doht and Thomas County for the paper work required to be eligible for stimulus funding on the Halsey North Project, made by Daly second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes: - Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	95.05
CARROT TOP INDUSTRIES	FLAG	46.80
CVSOAN	DUES	25.00
GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE/MEALS	166.33
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	5.73
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	206.85
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	79.20
LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATES	EQUIPMENT	125.00
NACO	SUPPLIES	10.00
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	50.15
PRO PRINTING & GRAPHICS	SUPPLIES	135.06
THOMAS CO TREASURER	COMM REG	30.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	SERVICES	372.49

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	TESTING	29.90
NMC	REPAIRS	302.05
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

ALLTEL	UTILITIES	56.47
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LIBRARY FUND-

MICHAEL FREDERICK	BOOKS	44.00
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	103.15

Office reports:

Clerk reported on Election Workshop she will be attending in Grand Island on Wednesday October 28th, the Legislative Revenue Committee Hearings to be held in Hyannis on Tuesday October 27th, presented the board with NACO's 2010-2014 salary recommendation for county officials, special use permit application submitted to the Planning Commission, and ag-land valuation issues for the upcoming year.

Treasurer reported on the 4 distress warrants she issued to the Thomas County Sheriff for collection.

Sheriff reported on his continuing education hours he has completed, new tires for the sheriff vehicle, and the purchase of a new video camera. He also reported that the Forest may reimburse the county for the cost of the video camera.

Motion to approve office reports was made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Interlocal Agreement with the Thomas County Sheriff and Blaine County Sheriff to provide each other with law enforcement back-up and assistance in certain necessary circumstances and on certain occasions. No action taken.

Discussion was held on the Thedford Community Development Corporation's request to place concrete picnic tables on the northwest corner of the courthouse lawn. No action taken.

Discussion on various road projects included road sign placement on the South Seneca Ave road, road sign posts, and looking into purchasing fire extinguishers for the road equipment.

Motion to approve Interlocal Agreement with Blaine County for road maintenance responsibilities on roads located along the boundaries between Thomas and Blaine Counties made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Discussion on designating Alan Atkins as the authorized signer for the Project Program Agreement between Thomas County and Nebraska Department of Roads for the Halsey North Project.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-15, to authorize Alan Atkins-Chairperson of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners to sign Project Program Agreement between Thomas County and the NDOR made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

All amended documents apply to previously approved documents for Halsey North Project and were required by the Nebraska Department of Roads in their templates for eligibility for federal aid on this project.

Motion to approve amended Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Keith County for the purpose of establishing a responsible charge position for federal aid projects made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes- Daly, Pettit, Atkins.

Discussion on appointing Tim Ryan, Keith County Highway Superintendent as the Responsible Charge person for the Halsey North Project. The Responsible Charge person is required to remain eligible for federal-aid transportation project funding.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-14 designating Tim Ryan, Keith County Highway Superintendent as the Responsible Charge person for the Halsey North Project No. STPE-1755(13), Control No. 61252 made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on amending Resolution #2009-13 designating the Combined Consultant Selection, NEPA, Uniform Act and Financial Management Systems Certification. This amendment was done on the recommendation of the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Motion to approve amended Resolution #2009-13 designating the Chairman of the Board responsible for the Combined Consultant Selection, NEPA, and Uniform Act; and designating the Thomas County Treasurer responsible for the Financial Management System made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding the request from the Nebraska Department of Roads to have a Registered Land Surveyor tie out land monuments prior to the start of construction for Project No. RD-2-2(1013) Project Name/Thedford-Seneca and tie out and remonument after construction. The State agrees to reimburse the County up to \$1,000 for the surveying services.

Motion to sign agreement with the Nebraska Department of Roads for Land Surveying for Project No. RD-2-2(2013) Project Name/Thedford-Seneca made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be on November 3, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 3, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:08 a.m., November 3, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Alan Atkins, Charles Daly, and Stan Pettit. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Road personnel Thayne Rodocker, Carolyn Warren, and J R Giles.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 October 22, 2009.

Motion to adopt November 3, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve October 20, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. NIRMA Winter Preparedness Workshop to be held November 10, 2009 at Custer County Shop in Broken Bow. Board decided to have road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker attend workshop.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	569.53
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1708.63
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	74.59
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2667.70
CARROT TOP INDUSTRIES	BLDG SUPPLIES	9.84
CONSOLIDATED	UTILITIES	395.80
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	240.16
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	464.50
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	8.39
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	176.63
HOLIDAY INN GRAND ISLAND	LODGING	70.00
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	500.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	931.88
NACO	REGISTRATIONS	600.00
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	DUES	400.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	361.26
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	39.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	121.70
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	4074.13
THOMAS CO TREASURER	CHECKS	69.25
SALARIES		17432.10

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	560.42
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	619.81
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	87.98
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	30.03
NEAL LUMBER CO	TOOLS/SUPPLIES	76.47
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	112.76
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	CONSULT FEES	461.50
NMC	REPAIRS	805.87
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	66.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1064.80
SALARIES		5592.04

ASSISTANCE FUND-

DAN HODGES	RENT	200.00
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LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	72.00
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	40.35
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	UTILITIES	82.40
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	124.19
KNOWBUDDY RESOURCES	BOOKS	855.00
MIDAMERICA BOOKS	BOOKS	170.96
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	66.90
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	11.74
PUMPKIN BOOKS	BOOKS	120.48
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	64.32
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	190.60
SALARIES		1122.53

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	UTILITIES	99.42
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	169.75
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	LOAN PAYMENT	1308.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	25.00

Office reports:

Sheriff reported that he will be gone November 12th through 15th, tires are ordered for the sheriff vehicle, and remaining balance left on the forest contract.

Chairman Atkins opened public hearing for Special Use Permit Application from JR Giles at 10:30 a.m. Members present were Alan Atkins, Charles Daly, and Stan Pettit. Also present during the public hearing were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Carolyn Warren and JR Giles.

Carolyn Warren expressed concern about the road to be built by JR Giles to the Warren's bridge west of their home place and also the concerns they have about flooding and drainage of water west of their home. J R Giles stated that the lease he has states that a road will be maintained at all times to the Warren Bridge. He also stated he planned to build a berm to help with the drainage and flooding issues.

Chairman Atkins closed the public hearing at 10:40 a.m.

Motion to accept the recommendation from Thomas County Planning Commission and approve the Special Use Permit from J R Giles made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins.

Motion carried.

Clerk reported on the Election Workshop she attended in Grand Island, the West Central District Assessor meeting scheduled for November 5th in North Platte to discuss valuing ag land in the future, training in Grand Island with the Sheriff and Clerk of the District Court on the Nebraska Sex Offender Registry scheduled for Friday November 6th, visited with the board about having Lewis Herbaugh take care of snow removal in the parking lots of the courthouse, and asked one of the board members to attend the Village of Thedford Board meeting on November 10th to discuss Interlocal agreement for trash services.

Treasurer reported on the status of the Distress Warrants issued in the county.

Motion to approve office and fee reports as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Discussion on the Amended Interlocal Agreement with Blaine County for road maintenance was held. The original Interlocal Agreement stated each county would be responsible for materials. The amended Interlocal Agreement excludes the cost of road materials.

Motion to approve Amended Interlocal Agreement with Blaine County for road maintenance responsibilities on roads located along boundaries between Thomas and Blaine counties made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion held on various road projects: Installing autogate for the Maseberg's, forms needed for the autogate on Fuller Road, installing signs on Purdum Ave, gravel requests on various roads, crushed concrete for roads and tree hanging over the road by Karl Marten's needs cut.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-15 authorizing Alan Atkins-Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Thomas County to sign Project Program Agreement with Nebraska Department of Roads made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the courthouse hours for the Christmas holiday.

Motion to close the courthouse on Thursday December 24th and Friday December 25th for Christmas made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Atkins; Nays – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be on November 17, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 17, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., November 17, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, and Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 5, 2009.

Motion to adopt November 17, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve November 3, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. Email from U.S. Census Bureau presented with their request to use office space in the courthouse from February 2010 to April 2010. Clerk was directed to let them know that we do not have any vacant rooms to be used for that length of time.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE/MEALS	188.07
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	21.24
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEALS	77.16
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL/TIRES	1181.15
LINDEMEIER & ASSOCIATES	FEES	422.60
MIPS INC	SUPPLIES	32.03
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	14.99
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	4141.19
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	549.78

ROAD FUND-

CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	106.00
CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
G-3 ENTERPRISES	SUPPLIES	2783.97
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	1180.38
NMC	REPAIRS	1.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	GRADER	1717.14

LIBRARY FUND-

STAMP FULFILLMENT CENTER	POSTAGE	59.60
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Office reports:

Clerk reported on the status of naming parcels for GIS software, letter to Phillip Licking in regards to road maintenance on abandoned road and request to change one of his parcels from small acreage value to ag land value, and she reported conversation with Emergency Manager Kevin Hood that neither office had heard anything from the Arnold Public Schools in regards to the road sign project.

Treasurer reported that the Assessor had provided her with the tax roll and that tax statements will be printed the week of December 14th.

Sheriff reported on camper he seized for the collection of a distress warrant on delinquent personal property taxes and intoxilyzer training for the sheriff's office in Grand Island on December 10th.

Highway Superintendent reported that the Halsey North Project was not listed for the December bid letting. He will keep us updated as to when it will be opened for bids.

Motion to accept all office reports made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins.

Discussion on various road projects included patching project on Windmill Road, work on Atkins Road, and road sign posting on the S. Seneca Ave. Road.

Motion to approve certification of Lloyd Smith as County Highway Superintendent made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Commissioners will be on December 1, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 1, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:04 a.m., December 1, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Charles Daly, Stan Pettit and Alan Atkins. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Road personnel Mike Kovanda, and Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith. Chairman Atkins stated public 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 19, 2009.

Motion to adopt December 1, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve November 17, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	569.53
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1690.08
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	162.56
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	127.85
BLAINE COUNTY	MILEAGE	63.8
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	2667.70
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	438.97
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	302.18
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	39.03
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1231.31
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	79.20
HOOKE COUNTY SHERIFF	BREATH TEST	35.00
MARILYN MASEBERG	RETIREMENT	60.00
LOUISE MILLER	RETIREMENT	96.00
MIPS INC	SUPPLIES	76.34
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	358.39
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	44.00
QUILL	SUPPLIES	31.62
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	UTILITIES/FUEL	706.00
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	4042.67
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	13.53
SALARIES		17252.75

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	560.42
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	619.81
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	87.49
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	2688.95
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	1888.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	112.76
PAULSEN INC	AUTOGATES	970.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	73.00
SANDHILLS FAMILY MEDICINE	DRUG TEST	35.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	1064.80
SALARIES		5592.04

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE	50.48
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VISITORS FUND-

NE TRAVEL ASSOCIATION	NETA DUES	75.00
THEDFORD BULL FEST	ADVERTISING	2130.00

LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	72.00
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	27.50
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	82.65
FOLLETT SOFTWARE CO	BOOKS	240.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	11.34
OLLIS BOOK CORPORATION	BOOKS	55.80
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	148.14
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	185.70
UPSTART	BOOKS	51.60
WALDEN BOOKS	BOOKS	31.78
SALARIES		1098.26

Office reports:

Clerk reported that Certificate of Taxes Levied report had been filed with the state, presented the office fee report for the Clerk and Clerk of the District Court, election certification forms had been mailed to the political subdivisions, Deputy Clerk Pat Neben was attending a two day workshop in North Platte for Election software, and reminded everyone about the NACO conference for the week of December 8th.

Sheriff reported that he should have the forest service contract to review at the next commissioners meeting, cell phone for the sheriff's office has broken and he will use a loaner phone until the contract is up, and reported on traffic and calls for the Thanksgiving weekend.

Treasurer reported that all FEMA money had been received for the disaster road projects, tax statements will be printed the week of December 14th, delinquent tax notices, employee Christmas party will be December 12th, and the Holiday Open House for the Courthouse will be December 23rd from 9 – 4.

Emergency Manager reported that he had not heard back from the Arnold Schools yet for the road sign project and discussed Cherry County 911 mapping.

Motion to accept all office and fee reports as presented made by Daly, second by Pettit.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion on various road projects included cost estimate for the Halsey North Project, N. Seneca Ave, W. North Loup Road, purchase of millings, Windmill Road patch project, possibility of obtaining railroad rock from Burlington Northern next summer and posts for the road signs are in Lincoln and waiting for next delivery truck from the Department of Roads to deliver.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be on December 15, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 15, 2009

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:15 a.m., December 15, 2009, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Charles Daly. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Lisa Eng, Road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Mike Kovanda, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, and Attorney Warren Arganbright.

Chairman Atkins stated public 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 December 3, 2009.

Motion to adopt December 15, 2009 agenda made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve December 1, 2009 regular meeting minutes as published made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Pettit, second by Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Daly, Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	86.98
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLICATIONS	419.99
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF	HOUSING	50.00
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	29.34
LINCOLN COUNTY ATTORNEY	FEES	150.00
MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIPMENT	SERVICES	30.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	931.88
NACO	DUES	714.11
NEBEN,PAT	MILEAGE/MEALS	95.88
POSTMASTER - HALSEY	POSTAGE	44.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	3.12
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	48.35

ROAD FUND-

AUTO GLASS CENTER	REPAIR	227.91
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIR	522.89
CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
DAN NAGY	SHOP RENT	450.00
RODOCKER CONST CO INC	DIRT WORK	2970.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

LIBRARY FUND-

CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	332.80
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	86.90
WALDEN BOOKS	BOOKS	14.39

DEBT FUND-

SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	33330.30
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Office reports:

Lisa Eng presented the board with the fee report from their office she also reported that the Sheriff's office had not yet received the Forest contract for the next year.

Clerk reported that jury summons were to be mailed out this week for a county court jury trial in January and that a new jury list would also need to be established for another jury trial scheduled for February, mileage rate starting January 1, 2010 will be .50 cents per mile, and discussed preliminary figures for ag values for the upcoming year.

Treasurer reported that tax statements had been mailed out the first part of the week and she reminded everyone of the Holiday Open House on December 23rd.

Motion to approve all office and fee reports made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Discussion held on heating issues at the courthouse. Clerk is to talk with Frey's Heating & Air Conditioning to get information and report back to the board. No action taken.

Discussion on various road projects included auto gate repairs, Naber Road, and discussion on purchasing used Mack Truck.

Discussion was held on the 1 & 6 year road plan. No action taken.

Discussion was held regarding Avey Lane. No action taken.

Discussion on elected official salaries for 2011-2014 terms. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Daly, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Daly. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:44 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be on January 5, 2010 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse in Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

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