

Thomas County Commissioners
Organizational Meeting
January 6, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:01 a.m., January 6, 2011, in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor and Sheriff Gary Eng. 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 30, 2010.

Motion to adopt January 6, 2011 organizational agenda made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to set the regular meeting dates of the Thomas County Commissioners as the 1st & 3rd Tuesday's of the month at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse made by Pettit, second by Butler.

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

Motion to observe 2011 holidays as: January 17th – Martin Luther King Jr., Day, February 21st – Presidents Day, April 22nd – Good Friday, April 29th – Arbor Day, May 30th – Memorial Day, July 4th – Independence Day, September 5th – Labor Day, October 10th – Columbus Day, November 24 & 25th – Thanksgiving, December 26th – Christmas, made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Motion to set the Thomas County Herald as the official news publication of the county made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-1 naming Security First Bank, Thedford as the county depository made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call votes: Aye – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-2 regarding the investment of funds for Thomas County made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Carol Conard as the Thomas County Weed Superintendent made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Kevin Hood as Thomas County Emergency Manager Director, and Judy Taylor as alternate for meetings, made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Lloyd Smith as Thomas County Highway Superintendent made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Lloyd Smith as Thomas County Surveyor made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Lorissa Hartman as the Thomas County Zoning Administrator made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

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

Motion to appoint members to the following boards for 2011 made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried. Region II – Alan Atkins, Sandhills District Health Department – Norma Butler, 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, Thomas County Safety Committee – Norma Butler.

Motion to unanimously elect Stan Pettit as the Board of Commissioners Chairperson for 2011 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Abstain – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to unanimously elect Alan Atkins as the Board of Commissioners Vice-Chairperson for 2011 made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m. by Pettit.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners

Regular Meeting

January 6, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:02 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Alan Atkins, Norma Butler, and Stan Pettit. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Sheriff Gary Eng, Highway Superintendent/Surveyor Lloyd Smith, and road personnel Thayne Rodocker.

Chairman Pettit 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 30, 2010.

Motion to adopt January 6, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt December 21, 2010 regular meeting minutes as published December 30, 2010 in the Thomas County Herald made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	694.69
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1824.49
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE	INSURANCE	136.64
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	72.22
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1537.37
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	426.01
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	402.60
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	80.00
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	371.23
HOLIDAY INN DOWNTOWN	LODGING/MEALS	1492.90
L & L GRAVEL	SNOW REMOVAL	175.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	974.64
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS	DUES	75.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	486.66
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	44.00
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	500.82
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER	ASSESSMENT	273.00
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	4962.68
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	155.00
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	548.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	5265.28
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	117.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	240.10
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	315.00
DAVE YOUNG	MILEAGE	14.50
SALARIES		19685.91

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	827.82
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	669.39
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	103.26
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	56.82
G-3 ENTERPRISES	ROCK/GRAVEL	334.21
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	3721.55
INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	REPAIRS	388.51
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	136.56
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	135.93
NEBRASKA TRUCK & EQUIPMENT	REPAIRS	42.63
NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC	REPAIRS	86.11
NMC	REPAIRS	885.67
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1169.76
SALARIES		5624.15

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.26
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LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	76.81
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AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	84.35
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE	INSURANCE	11.76
BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	87.22
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	306.16
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	13.57
RONDA HAUMANN	POSTAGE	11.50
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	40.43
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	89.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	9.42
PENWORTHY COMPANY	BOOKS	54.47
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	66.81
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	124.37
UPSTART	BOOKS	49.35
SALARIES		838.96

AIRPORT FUND-		
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.58
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	175.97
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	LOAN PAYMENT	158.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	25.00

Office Reports:

Assessor reported that Data Collection for properties in Thedford is about complete and they will be starting in Seneca soon. Assessor will be attending a the West Central Assessor's meeting in North Platte on Thursday January 13th.

Assessor has also completed certification with the state to keep assessor certificate current for another four years.

Treasurer reported on the tax collection for this year and some delinquent taxes. The County Attorney and Treasurer will begin the foreclosure on a property for delinquent taxes.

Sheriff reported on the forest contract.

Emergency Manager reported that he visited with Custer Public Power District on the tower rent bill for 2011. Thomas County no longer owns any equipment on this tower and should not have to pay for any tower rent in the future.

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

Discussion on the NIRMA assist grant received for safety equipment. The Thomas County Safety Committee will review. Tabled until future meeting.

Roads discussion included: We are waiting on the State of Nebraska to supply us with the load ratings for bridges within the county; once they are received we will be able to change weight limit signs for the bridges. Lloyd Smith will be contacting Village of Seneca about the stop sign on Broadway Street and the possibility of removing the sign and replacing with a Yield sign. Lloyd also reported that he had talked with Donny Christenson of NEMA and that the county will not receive any funding from FEMA for the repairs to the South Seneca Ave from the summer rains this year. Lloyd will be contacting Paul Kieper from State Department of Roads and check on the Federal Aid Route assistance.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, January 18, 2011 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:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners

Regular Meeting

January 18, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:05 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Deputy County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, John Webster of Murphy Tractor, road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker.

Chairman Pettit 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 6, 2011.

Motion to adopt January 18, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt January 6, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published January 13, 2011 in the Thomas County Herald made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to pay claims as presented with the provision that Western Materials ticket for rock be accounted for made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	75.15
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBL/NOTICES	284.82
DELL MARKETING L.P	COMPUTER	1121.42
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	ELECTION	180.00
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEAL	88.73
NACO	REGISTRATION	400.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	24.61

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
NMC	REPAIRS	576.67
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14
WESTERN MATERIALS	ROCK	6049.20

Office reports:

Clerk reported that the heat in the County Court office did not work last week. After contacting Frey's Heating & Air Conditioning they climbed on the roof and discovered the vent had frozen shut with snow. She also reported on LB33, LB186 and LR2CA.

Treasurer had no report.

Sheriff reported that he would like the commissioners to think about hiring a Reserve Deputy. He will check into the costs to train.

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

Chairman Pettit opened public hearing for General Assistance at 10:35 a.m.

Chairman Pettit closed public hearing for General Assistance at 10:58 a.m.

Motion to approve Thomas County General Assistance Policy made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-3, General Assistance Eligibility & Assistance made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Roads discussion.

The commissioners discussed the removal of snow on the airport runway. They would like the clerk to set up a discussion with the airport board at a future meeting.

The Western Materials bill for rock was discussed with Mike Kovanda.

John Webster visited with the board about the loaders they have for sale.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:44 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, February 1, 2011 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:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners

Regular Meeting

February 1, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:03 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Alan Atkins, Norma Butler, and Stan Pettit. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker, and Mike McCann of Titan Machinery.

Chairman Pettit 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 20, 2011.

Motion to adopt February 1, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt January 6, 2011 organizational minutes as published January 13, 2011 in the Thomas County Herald made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt January 18, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published January 27, 2011 in the Thomas County Herald made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	694.69
AMERITAS	RETIRMENT	1824.88
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	136.64
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	133.44
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1537.37
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE SERVICE	384.69
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	340.28
DASH MEDICAL GLOVES	SUPPLIES	53.91
DES MOINES STAMP	OFFICE SUPPLIES	119.30
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	4.47
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	75.32
HOOKER COUNTY SHERIFF	MILEAGE	27.54
L & L GRAVEL	SNOW REMOVAL	305.50
LINCOLN COUNTY ATTORNEY	ATTORNEY FEES	100.00
MIPS INC	EXPENSE	437.95
NE ASSOC. OF COUNTY TREASURERS	DUES	75.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	479.64
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	132.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL/PROPANE	1184.13
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	548.50
SANDHILLS R C & D	DUES	50.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	5195.85
SINCLAIR	FUEL	61.30
STAMP FULFILLMENT CENTER	ENVELOPES	255.60
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	5.95
DAVE YOUNG	MILEAGE	99.45
SALARIES		19265.78

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIRMENT	574.68
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	669.39
CALLS GARAGE INC	ROAD REPAIRS	132.37
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	35.21
HODGES CONOCO INC	GAS/TIRE REP	1470.52
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	138.31
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SURVEYOR EXP	2104.50
NMC	REPAIRS	1102.05
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	925.20
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1175.55
SALARIES		5717.23

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	52.26
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LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	76.81
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	89.86
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	415.66
CONSOLIDATED	TELEPHONE	87.46
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	487.91
MIDAMERICA BOOKS	BOOKS	58.80
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	63.20
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	11.19
PENWORTHY COMPANY	BOOKS	199.08
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	39.90
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	119.76
SALARIES		802.28

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	TELEPHONE	100.10
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	525.56
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	1308.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	25.00
WAITE, MCWHA & HARVAT	SERVICES	327.00

Office reports:

Clerk reported that the West Central District meeting will be held April 13th in North Platte. The County Court will be having a jury trial on March 1st; jury summons will be mailed out the week of February 14th. The District Court will have a jury trial on March 9th; jury summons will be mailed out the week of February 21st. The preliminary figures for 2011 ag- land values shows a decrease in value to \$260 per acre. The 2010 value was \$305 per acre. The final values will be set by March 19th.

Sheriff reported that the forest contract has been approved.

Treasurer reported on the semi-annual statement. The delinquent taxes will be advertised the first three weeks of February. The delinquent taxes will be sold on the first Monday of March at 8:30 a.m.

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

Chairman Pettit recessed the meeting at 10:34 a.m. for the Board of Equalization meeting.

Chairman Pettit reconvened the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Discussion was held on the purchase of safety equipment. Motion made by Atkins to purchase the safety equipment and submit the receipts to NIRMA to be reimbursed for the grant that was approved for half of the cost, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Chairman Pettit opened the public hearing for the 1 and 6 Year Road plan at 10:58 a.m.

Road discussion: Lloyd Smith will check with Werner Construction about the cost of purchasing hot mix next year when they have the plant set up to do the Purdum road. The hot mix will be used to do some patch work on various roads depending on the cost.

Thayne Rodocker visited with the board about purchasing new tires for the grader. He will purchase 4 tires at the price of \$900 per tire.

Chairman Pettit closed the public hearing on the 1 and 6 Year Road plan at 11:52 a.m.

Motion to adopt the 1 and 6 Year Road plan made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the NDOR correspondence for NH-2-2(113) Seneca East & West C.N. 61009. Lloyd Smith reported that no agreement was required. No action taken.

Discussion on Resolution #2011-5, Signing of Project Agreement for South Seneca Ave. Lloyd Smith reported that he will prepare the paperwork required by the NDOR and contact Tim Ryan about being the RC for the project. Tabled until later date.

Mike McCann of Titan Machinery talked with the board about loaders and financing they have available.

No action taken.

Chairman Pettit recessed the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

Chairman Pettit reconvened the meeting at 1:02 p.m.

Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the afternoon were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker, JR Giles, Allan Jameson, Tim Maseberg and Carol Conard.

The Airport Authority members discussed snow removal at the airport.

Motion made by Butler to enter into a temporary agreement until spring with the Thomas County Airport Authority to furnish snow removal at the rate of \$100 per hour with a minimum charge of \$100, with the agreement that the main arterial roads will be opened first, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried. Allan Jameson will be responsible for calling Alan Atkins to tell him when the runway needs cleaned.

Carol Conard presented his annual weed report to the board.

Motion to approve annual weed report made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

The board discussed the vacancy on the Thomas County Airport Authority board. Anyone interested in serving on the Airport Authority board should contact the Thomas County Clerks office to submit your name for consideration, by February 28th.

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

Meeting adjourned at 2:24 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2011 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:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

Thomas County Commissioners

Regular Meeting

February 15, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Norma Butler, Stan Pettit and Alan Atkins. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, Deputy County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Linda Fettig of the Rural Development Commission, road personnel Thayne Rodocker, and Kirby Linse of Nebraska Machinery.

Chairman Pettit 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 3, 2011.

Motion to adopt February 15, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt February 1, 2011 regular meeting minutes made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. Chairman Pettit signed auditor Don Wilson's request for county attorney to disclose information for audit.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	115.49
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUB/NOTICES	547.95
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	7.76
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	66.30
HOOVER COUNTY SHERIFF	SERVICES	35.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	947.89
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	2.58
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	659.23

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
NMC	REPAIRS	790.36
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14
U S BANK	SAFETY EQUIP	44.96

LIBRARY FUND-

MIDAMERICA BOOKS	BOOKS	77.75
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Office reports:

Clerk asked the commissioners to step outside to see the problem with ice behind the building and she pointed out the vent that is causing problems for the heat in the county court office.

Treasurer reported on delinquent taxes.

Commissioners reported on the County Board Workshop in Kearney.

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

Motion carried.

Linda Fettig of the Rural Development Commission discussed with the board about the Sandhills Project and the projected population of the Sandhills in the future.

Sheriff Eng discussed the 2011 Forest contract.

Motion to approve the 2011 Forest contract in the amount of \$8,900 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Clerk discussed the contract with ES & S and what the savings to the county would be for elections.

Motion to sign the contract with ES&S for election services made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Kirby Linse of Nebraska Machinery visited with the board about new and used loaders.

Commissioner Atkins asked the clerk to contact Larry Dix of NACO about the status of the stimulus money for the Halsey North Project.

Discussion was also held on the crushed concrete being hauled in by road personnel Mike Kovanda.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 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:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 1, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Rhonda Theiler and Tracy Eveland of Sandhills District Health Department, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith and road personnel Thayne Rodocker.

Chairman Pettit 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 24, 2011.

Motion to adopt March 1, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt February 15, 2011 regular meeting minutes made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. Letter of resignation from Terri Licking for the Thomas County Planning Commission presented. No action taken until March 15, 2011 meeting. Clerk presented “Thank You” letter addressed to the Nebraska Department of Roads for the board to sign for their assistance in removing the ice on the North Seneca Avenue.

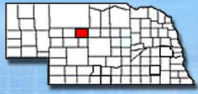
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GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	694.69
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1812.40
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE	INSURANCE	136.64
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	4.59
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1537.37
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	383.16
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	410.28
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	14.58
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	389.75
JOHN DEERE CREDIT	PAYMENT	2340.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	468.39
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	UTILITIES	939.89
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	548.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	5079.78
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	5.65
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	44.00
THOMAS COUNTY LIBRARY	BOOKMOBILE	315.60
U S BANK	SHERIFF FUEL	53.77
DAVE YOUNG	MILEAGE	17.85
SALARIES		18471.46

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	574.68
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC	SUPPLIES	566.16
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	669.39
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	131.61
GCR TIRE CENTERS	TIRES	387.04
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	138.31
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	FEES	958.18
NMC	REPAIRS	607.71
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	81.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1175.55



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SALARIES		5717.23
PRE-TRIAL FUND-		
VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.03
VISITORS FUND-		
JANELLE JENNINGS	WEBSITE MAINT	105.00
SANDHILLS JOURNEY SCENIC BYWAY	MEMBERSHIP	575.00
DAWN HAAKE	GRANT	353.61
LIBRARY FUND-		
AFLAC	INSURANCE	76.81
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	91.70
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE	INSURANCE	11.76
BRODART	BOOKS	241.5
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	87.33
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	12.89
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	13.17
PUMPKIN BOOKS	BOOKS	203.77
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	134.89
SALARIES		907.05
AIRPORT FUND-		
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	100.10
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	367.87
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	158.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	POWER BROOM	1500.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	25.00

Office reports:

Clerk presented the fee report for the office, reminded the elected officials to submit their Statements of Financial Interest to the state by April 1st, 2011, from the assessor's office she reported that grass land values will decrease by 15% from \$305 acre to \$260 acre for the 2011 assessment year and the board will also have to look for replacements for the Thomas County Planning & Zoning Committee.

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Motion to accept all office and fee reports made by Butler, second by Atkins. Motion carried.

Rhonda Theiler and Tracy Eveland gave a report on the Sandhills District Health Department and all of their activities. To view their calendar and what they have to offer you can go to www.sdhd.org.

Discussion was held on the Auditors report.

Motion to approve the Thomas County Management Discussion and Analysis report made by Butler, second by Atkins.

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

Discussion held on the Mutual Aid Agreement for the Sheriff's office. Tabled until April 5, 2011.

Roads discussion included:

Lloyd Smith reported that he had been in contact with Werner Construction in regards to the Halsey North Project and they are planning to come and start the project at the end of April or early May. He also reported on the DR53 and DR530 he submitted to the state for the South Seneca Avenue.

A new time card and maintenance report will be implemented by the road personnel to better track the maintenance and history of a vehicle.



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

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2011 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:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 1, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Rhonda Theiler and Tracy Eveland of Sandhills District Health Department, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith and road personnel Thayne Rodocker.

Chairman Pettit 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 24, 2011.

Motion to adopt March 1, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt February 15, 2011 regular meeting minutes made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 15, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Tom Licking, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Trina Mintle and road personnel Thayne Rodocker.

Chairman Pettit 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 March 3, 2011.

Motion to adopt March 15, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt March 1, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to pay claims as presented made by Atkins, second by Butler. Discussion was held on the possibility of the road men performing minor repairs themselves. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	143.63
CALLS GARAGE INC	SHERIFF REPAIR	144.00
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT ASSOC	DUES	25.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLICATIONS	487.78
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPPLIES	58.74
HODGES CONOCO INC	SHERIFF FUEL	430.56
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	73.44
LECC	REGISTRATION	100.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	947.89
NEAL LUMBER CO	BLDG SUPPLIES	6.98
LARRY REXROTH	SERVICES	1250.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	128.89
U S BANK	SHERIFF GAS	92.20

ROAD FUND-

CALLS GARAGE INC	ROAD REPAIR	453.44
CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
HODGES CONOCO INC	ROAD FUEL	4611.80
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	22.96
NEBRASKA SAFETY CENTER	TRAINING	140.00
NMC	REPAIRS	592.40
OPHEIM-BOOTH REPAIR	REPAIRS	210.00
PLATTE VALLEY FIRE & EQUIPMENT	EQUIPMENT	514.40
SECURITY FIRST BANK	GRADER PAYMENT	1717.14

VISITOR FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLICATIONS	4.82
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LIBRARY FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	COPIER EXPENSE	425.00
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	537.71
RONDA HAUMANN	REIMBURSEMENTS	105.33
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	44.60
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	114.68

Office reports:

Clerk reported on the West Central District Meeting on April 13th in North Platte, Legislative Day April 7th in Lincoln, and the Board of Equalization Workshop May 26th in Kearney. Thayne completed construction of the storage box for the election equipment last week.

Treasurer had no report.

Sheriff reported on thefts and accidents in the county. He will also be attending a sheriff's meeting in Hyannis this week.

Emergency Manager reported on the changes he would like seen to the zoning regulations.



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Motion to accept all office reports made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.
At 10:30 a.m. lawn care bids were opened. Only one bid submitted from advertised notice.

Motion to accept the bid from Chauncey J. Linn for lawn care at the courthouse for \$510 per month made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Trina Mintle visited with the board about the possibility of staying open until 2 a.m. for special designated liquor licenses in the county. The commissioners can only set a Resolution for any activities held outside of the village limits within the county. No action was taken at this time. The board will consider a Resolution at their April 5th meeting.

Motion to accept the resignation of Terri Licking from the Thomas County Planning/Zoning Commission made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried. The commissioners would like to thank Terri for her years of service to the board.

Motion to reappoint Mark Nutter and Bob Childers and appoint Lemoyne Daily to the Thomas County Planning/Zoning Commission with their terms expiring in 2014 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve request for general assistance in the amount of \$300 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Tom Licking visited with the board about maintenance on the South Seneca Ave.

Norma will be having meetings with the road personnel to discuss road projects and the equipment forms that will need to be filled out daily.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2011 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:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 5, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:02 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Bob Broweleit – RC & D, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Mike Kovanda, and Lee Ray.

Chairman Pettit 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 March 24, 2011.

Motion to adopt April 5, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve March 15, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	694.69
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1837.49
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE	INSURANCE	136.64
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	451.25
BLAINE COUNTY	MILEAGE	43.20
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1537.37
CENTRAL SANDHILLS AREA EXT	ASSESSMENT	3305.90
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	375.23
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLICATIONS	328.63
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	371.56
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	7.69
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	73.44
HOOKER COUNTY SHERIFF	MILEAGE	29.70
LARRY'S GLASS	SUPPLIES	78.53
MIPS INC	SERVICES	947.89
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	548.99
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	500.82
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER	ASSESSMENT	275.00
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	4962.68
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	424.37
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	548.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	5134.28
STEPHENS-PECK INC	SUPPLIES	70.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	16.95
THOMAS CO TREASURER	REGISTRATONS	128.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	48.23
THOMAS COUNTY COURT	CLAIMS	385.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	315.00
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT	REGISTRATONS	110.00
DONALD D WILSON	SERVICES	5900.00
SALARIES		18,622.75

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	INSURANCE	1241.86
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	669.39
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	550.13
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	91.57
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	830.00
MENARD'S	TOOLS	23.87
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	140.85
NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC	REPAIRS	213.71



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NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SURVEYOR	1505.65
NMC	REPAIRS	19.60
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	REPAIRS	25.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1169.76
SALARIES		5453.62

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.03
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLICATIONS	10.93
IDEA BANK MARKETING, INC	SERVICES	59.85
POLAR BEAR TANK RACE	TOURISM	250.00

COUNTY ASSISTANCE FUND-

SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	29.99
THOMAS CO TREASURER	ASSISTANCE	300.00

LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	76.81
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	103.62
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE	INSURANCE	11.76
BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	87.33
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	422.90
FOLLETT SOFTWARE CO	BOOKS	240.00
RONDA HAUMANN	POSTAGE	51.77
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	101.19
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	17.08
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	82.39
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAX	175.73
SMART APPLE MEDIA	BOOKS	206.60
SALARIES		1188.01

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	100.10
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	404.40
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	158.00
RUSSELL REISIG	SNOW PLOW	7500.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITES	25.00
DAN WADAS	MAINTENANCE	750.00

Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported that the Statewide Equalization Hearing for Thomas County will be on April 18th in Lincoln. On April 6, 2011 representatives from NEMA will be here to perform an inspection of the roads repaired from the 2007 disaster. The paperwork from the June 2010 disaster has been completed we should receive all of the federal money within the next month. Discussion with the board was held about the budget preparation for 2011/2012.

Sheriff reported on jail housing for prisoners and repairs on the sheriff vehicle.

Treasurer gave financial report.

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

Bob Broweleit of Sandhills RC & D presented information to the board on the programs available through the RC & D. He reported on various grants presented to area businesses.

Discussion on roads included: Hauling crushed concrete to Wild Horse Creek Rd, repair options to Most Lane & Hardy Lane, N. Seneca Ave. hill – will check with Werner Construction when they are in the area and see what it would cost to repair, other roads discussed were Day Rd, Norway Ave, Dan Naber's Rd, and Randy Andersen's Rd. Discussion was also held on the purchase of culverts, the road men are to come up with a list of culverts they would need for the roads.



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Discussion was held on filling the vacancy for the Airport Authority Board. The Airport Authority presented two names to the board. Motion to approve the appointment of Herb Hall to the Thomas County Airport Authority Board made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Mutual Aid Agreement for the Sheriff's office. This agreement would include the counties of Blaine, Thomas, Hooker, Arthur, Logan, Grant and McPherson. Motion to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement for the Sheriff's office made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint George Mintle to the Thomas County Planning/Zoning Board made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on Resolution #2011-6, Special Designated Liquor License closing time for 2:00 a.m. instead of 1:00 a.m. closing. Tabled until County Attorney can answer questions for the board.

The Audit report for Thomas County has been completed and is on file in the County Clerk's office for inspection.

Motion to approve the Audit Report completed by Don Wilson for Year Ended June 30, 2010 made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

The three year audit engagement letter was reviewed.

Motion to approve and sign the three year audit engagement letter with Don Wilson in the amount of \$6,000 per audit made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 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:

Stan Pettit, Chair

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 19, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:01 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Alan Atkins, Norma Butler, and Stan Pettit. Also present throughout the meeting were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Bethany Johnston – CSA Extension Office, road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Royce Jennings and Tom Licking.

Chairman Pettit 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 7, 2011.

Motion to adopt April 19, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve April 5, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. Those signing up to attend the Blue Cross Blue Shield informational meeting in North Platte are Stan Pettit, Lorissa Hartman, and Judy Taylor.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	211.51
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	968.33
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	8.47
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	69.36
LINDEMEIER & ASSOCIATES	COSTS	1812.60
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	108.01
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	49.28
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	548.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	SUPPLIES	22.57
THOMAS CO CLERK OF DIST COURT	FILING FEES	35.00
U S BANK	SUPPLIES	100.96

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	3112.50
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	11.16
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

LIBRARY FUND-

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	ENVELOPES	36.40
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITES	330.00

Office Reports:

Clerk reported that she has contacted Susan Maline of McChesney, Martin, & Sagehorn to prepare the audit for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 for \$4,950. This is the same price she charged last year to prepare the budget. Board of Equalization Workshop is in Kearney on May 26th, those planning on attending as of today are Stan Pettit and Lorissa Hartman.

Reminder to everyone that their Personal Property returns are due in the office by May 2nd.



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Treasurer presented the board with a financial report. She also reported that renewal notices for vehicles will no longer be sent out by postcards. She will be sending them out in envelopes, due to a privacy issue. This was a decision passed down from the Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles.

Sheriff reported on the vehicle accident during the last storm on Highway 2. He also reported on the loss of cattle reported to his office.

Emergency Manager reported that he is updating the LEOP manual.

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

Bethany Johnston presented the budget for the Central Sandhills Area Extension Office.

Motion to approve the Central Sandhills Area Extension Office budget for FY 2011-2012 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Chairman Pettit opened the crushed concrete trucking bids at 11:00 a.m.

Bids were received from Jennings Trucking, L & L Gravel, Rodocker Construction and Mike Kovanda.

Discussion was held on offering all bidders the opportunity to haul crushed concrete from Maxwell.

Motion to offer the crushed concrete trucking bids to the three bidders at \$15.00 per ton and to haul from Maxwell to the L & L Gravel Pit west of town made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes - Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Everyone who agrees to accept the trucking must sign the Release of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement with Thomas County.

Motion to have Mike Kovanda work as an independent contractor paying him \$60 per load and using the County equipment to haul the crushed concrete on his own time made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried. At the end of the year Mike Kovanda will receive a Form 1099 for contract labor for this work.

Norma gave a report on the Sandhills District Health Department's financial status. No action taken.

Discussion was held on Resolution #2011-6, Special Designated Liquor License time extension to sell liquor until 2:00 a.m. No action taken at this time tabled until next meeting. Commissioners would like to have some different wording in the Resolution.

Discussion was held on the request for general assistance.

Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to approve the request for general assistance and have the Treasurer pay \$300 for housing assistance. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:24 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, May 3, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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Attest:

Stanley Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 3, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the meeting were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sally Vaughn, Jan Swedburg, Sheriff Gary Eng, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Mike Kovanda, Bethany Johnston, Lee Ray and Gregg O'Brien of NMC.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on April 21, 2011.

Motion to adopt May 3, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve April 19, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	694.69
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1815.68
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE	INSURANCE	136.64
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	145.32
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1537.37
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	398.47
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	529.96
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	19.63
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	521.60
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	510.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	947.89
NACO	REGISTRATIONS	120.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	543.89
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	41.34
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	UTILITIES	966.13
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	5108.18
SALARIES		18502.07

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1241.86
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	669.39
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	89.87
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	45.36
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	674.08
KOVANDA MIKE	CONTRACT LABOR	900.00
L & L GRAVEL	CONTRACT LABOR	2970.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	140.85
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SURVEYOR FEES	286.09
NMC	REPAIRS	100.91
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	4676.52
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1169.76
SALARIES		5453.62

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.03
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COUNTY ASSISTANCE FUND-

THOMAS CO TREASURER	ASSISTANCE	300.00
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LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	76.81
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	91.70
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE CARE	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	87.27



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EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	5.98
H. W. WILSON CO	BOOKS	263.00
NEAL OIL AUTO CENTER	FUEL	28.69
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	13.43
PUMPKIN BOOKS	BOOKS	138.93
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	106.30
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	142.69
UPSTART	BOOKS	74.45
SALARIES		962.13

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.98
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	407.16
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	LOAN PAYMENT	1308.00
J R GILES	REIMBURSEMENT	280.02
PURDUM STATE BANK	INTEREST	57.70
WAITE, MCWHA & HARVAT	SERVICES	807.58

Office reports:

Clerk reported that we received our NIRMA Assist grant in the amount of \$753.90 to purchase safety equipment for the county. Discussed with the board about the possibility of sending postcard notices for the change of value on all property instead of a letter to save on postage. Assessor will check with County Attorney to see if this will be okay. The State of Nebraska currently uses this method for the State Assessed counties.

Treasurer reported on the tax money received.

Sheriff reported on borrowing a sprayer from the forest service to have in the gator to prevent causing a fire.

Emergency Manager reported on the April 22nd fire.

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

Sally Vaughn of Region II Services gave an update to the commissioners on the services that they provide to the area counties.

Bethany Johnston visited with the board about the Central Sandhills Area Extension Office purchasing a vehicle this fall.

Motion to allow the Extension office to draw funds from their sinking fund to purchase a vehicle this fall made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Road reports:

Reviewed phone message that someone had reported damage to tire and rim of vehicle on North Seneca Ave. No action will be taken.

Thayne reported that he had damaged two panels with his grader on Hamilton Road during snow removal. Commissioners decided to repair or replace the damaged panels.

Discussion was held on cold mix repair for the road west of Purdum, Maple Street in Thedford heading out to the cemetery and Windmill Road. All cold mix repair projects will be decided after the cost to repair the North Seneca Ave hill is determined.

Resolution #2011-6, Special Designated Liquor License approval to close at 2:00 a.m. has been tabled until May 17th meeting when Sheriff Eng has a chance to report on statistics he is gathering concerning the late closing time.

Discussion was held on health insurance for employees. Paperwork was handed out to all employees that are eligible for insurance to fill out so that we may get another quote for group health insurance to compare prices to our existing policy.

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

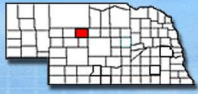
Meeting adjourned at 12:19 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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Attest:

Alan Atkins, Vice- Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 17, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:08 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Alan Atkins and Norma Butler. Absent – Stan Pettit. Motion to excuse member Stan Pettit made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried. 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 Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith.

Vice-Chairman Atkins stated open meeting guidelines are posted as requested by law and copies are available, if requested.

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on May 5, 2011.

Motion to adopt May 17, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve May 3, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. Letter from L.L.R. & J. Inc for termite inspection was reviewed. County Clerk is to contact Presto-X to see if they offer the same service and at what price.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	673.87
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLICATIONS	558.26
EWOLDTS GROCERY	BLDG SUPP	9.17
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEAL	78.66
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	73.44
L & L GRAVEL	SNOW REMOVAL	120.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	LAWN CARE	344.85
REDMAN'S SHOES OF KEARNEY	SUPPLIES	209.99
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	4141.19
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	FEES	242.18
DAVE YOUNG	MILEAGE	67.93

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
JENNINGS TRUCKING	TRUCKING	5680.05
KOVANDA MIKE	TRUCKING	420.00
L & L GRAVEL	TRUCKING	1500.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	24.27
NEBRASKA TRUCK & EQUIPMENT	REPAIRS	3.32
NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC	REPAIRS	77.20
NMC	REPAIRS	535.61
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLICATONS	28.00
SOWDERS	SPRING VOICES	940.00

LIBRARY FUND-

CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	430.10
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Office reports:

Clerk asked the commissioners about replacing some of the sprinklers that are old. It was decided to have Jerry Linn replace the old sprinklers and to purchase 2 cases of sprinklers to have on hand to repair as needed. The commissioners would also like to have A-Z Lawn Service out of Broken Bow come out and spray the dandelions in the courthouse lawn. Discussion was held on holding informal hearings with Larry Rexroth, independent appraiser for Thomas County. The dates will be announced after contacting Larry Rexroth.

Treasurer gave a financial report.

Sheriff informed the board that he will be attending LECC conference in Kearney the rest of the week to obtain his continuing education hours.

Emergency Manager discussed the issues the fire departments are having communicating to one another during the fires.

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

Lloyd Smith presented informal quotes for the North Seneca Ave asphalt project.

The three companies submitting quotes were Werner Construction, Western Engineering and Simon Contractors. A significant savings was determined by the commissioners to waive the formal bidding process. Several contractors were contacted with only two submitting actual proposals. The motion to accept the proposal from Werner Construction was made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Werner Construction will start the project as soon as they have completed the Halsey North project. Lloyd Smith will be sending an estimate to the clerk for what the cost may be to have someone observe the work on the road.

Road discussion:

Thayne will begin patching the W. North Loup Rd with cold mix this year. Discussion was had about E. Antelope Valley Road and high truck traffic it receives and what can be done. Thayne will go to Day Road and Wild Horse Creek road to haul some clay. Both road men were advised about the NIRMA road sign inspection on June 22nd.

Discussion was had on culverts. Norma is to get a price for a new 36 x 40 ft culvert needed to repair River road according to the FEMA requirements.

Motion to purchase used culverts from Paulsen's for other road projects was made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Treasurer to pay \$300 to Security First Bank for the general assistance request made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Clerk will notify the applicant for general assistance of the county policy for the future.

Motion to appoint alternate for disaster declaration for the county as 1) Norma Butler, 2) Lorissa Hartman, 3) Gary Eng, 4) Judy Taylor made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 12:06 p.m.

Vice Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Members present were Alan Atkins and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the afternoon were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Shannon Ahlstrom – Sargent Insurance, Sue Warner – BCBS, Thayne Rodocker and Pat Neben.

Sue Warner presented the changes to the Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance due to the health care reform. She visited with the board on various insurance issues.

Shannon Ahlstrom presented the board with other insurance options for the county.



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Motion to approve the NACO Blue Cross Blue Shield policy with a \$1,000 deductible made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to offer the Blue Cross Blue Shield Option 12 Dental Plan to the employees at their own cost made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on Resolution #2011-6, Special Designated Liquor License approval to stay open until 2:00 a.m. Resolution #2011-6 did not pass due to lack of motion.

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

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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Attest:

Alan Atkins, Vice Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 7, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:02 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Theedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit and Norma Butler. Al Atkins arrived at 10:04 a.m. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Amber McNutt of Bridge of Hope Advocacy Center, road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker, and Kirby Linse of TLC Equipment.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on May 26, 2011.

Motion to adopt June 7, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Butler, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit. Absent – Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve May 17, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	694.69
ALAMAR UNIFORMS	SUPPLIES	204.72
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1822.84
AMERITAS GROUP	INSURANCE	136.64
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	52.00
BLUE CROSS	INSURANCE	1537.37
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	126.04
CHERRY COUNTY	JAIL FEE	135.00
CAROL CONARD	WEED	4424.17
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	382.49
CUSTER PUBLIC	UTILITIES	241.32
GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE	196.32
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	40.88
GIS WORKSHOP	SERVICES	4500.00
HARTFORD LIFE	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	197.63
HODGES CONOCO	FUEL	232.94
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	145.90
JONES AUTOMOTIVE	SUPPLIES	190.41
LIGHT AND SIREN	SUPPLIES	169.95
LINDEMEIER & ASSO.	ATTORNEY	2308.09
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1100.85
NACO	DUES	866.89
NE DEPT OF REVEN.	REGISTRATION	130.00
NE DEPT OF REVEN.	TAXES	553.61
STAN PETTIT	MILEAGE	150.96
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	41.34
SANDHILL OIL	FUEL	331.36
SANDHILLS DIST	ASSESSMENT	548.50
SECURITY FIRST	TAXES	4952.89
THOMAS CO CLERK	POSTAGE	5.65
THOMAS CO TREAS	EXPENSES	219.23
THOMAS CO ATTY	EXPENSES	618.58
SALARIES		19340.67

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1241.86
BLUE CROSS	INSURANCE	669.39
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES	69.71
CUSTER PUBLIC	UTILITIES	27.65



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HARSH MERCANTILE	SUPPLIES	7.50
HODGES CONOCO	FUEL	894.01
JENNINGS TRUCKING	TRUCKING	4490.10
L & L GRAVEL	TRUCKING	5314.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	42.48
NE DEPT OF REVEN	STATE TAXES	140.85
NIOBRARA VALLEY	SURVEYOR	2205.68
SANDHILL OIL CO	FUEL	7047.47
SECURITY FIRST	TAXES	1169.76
THOMAS CO TREAS	EQUIPMENT	33.57
WENQUIST, INC	REPAIRS	37.99
WESTERN ENGINEERING	COLD MIX	852.8
SALARIES		5453.62
PRE-TRIAL FUND-		
VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	53.38
ASSISTANCE FUND-		
THOMAS CO TREASURER	ASSISTANCE	300.00
LIBRARY FUND-		
AFLAC	INSURANCE	76.81
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	103.62
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL	INSURANCE	11.76
MCNAUGHTON BOOK		
SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	87.27
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER		
DISTRICT	UTILITIES	244.43
EBSCO SUBSCRIPTION		
SERVICES	BOOKS	423.34
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	69.40
JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD	BOOKS	418.20
PATRICIA MCDANIEL	BOOKS	11.20
NEBRASKA DEPT OF		
REVENUE	STATE TAXES	13.04
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	145.02
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	144.80
SALARIES		972.68
AIRPORT FUND-		
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.98
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER		
DISTRICT	UTILITIES	327.95
DEPARTMENT OF		
AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	158.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	14.94
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	50.00

Office reports:

Clerk reported that she had talked with Presto-X about the termite inspection and control. She was informed that they check for problems each month when they treat the courthouse for pest control. The NIRMA insurance bill was discussed. After discussion the decision was made to leave the deductibles the same for the 2011/2012 policy.

Sheriff reported on training his office will be attending in Kearney this week.

Emergency Manager discussed with the commissioners of the budget work that is being completed for Region 26. The commissioners asked the Emergency Manager to support Plan B with some additional cuts, if possible at the next meeting for Region 26.

Chairman Pettit opened the Public Hearing for proposed changes to the zoning regulations at 10:30 a.m.

The Thomas County Planning Commission met on May 9, 2011 and recommended that the commissioners approve the change to the Thomas County Zoning Regulations.



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Emergency Manager Kevin Hood discussed the changes to the special use conditions for broadcast towers in Thomas County. Amber McNutt of Bridge of Hope Advocacy Center talked with the board about the services the Center offers. These services are required in each county by state statute. In past years the Center did not ask to receive any county funding. Due to budget cuts and fewer grants available to operate the center they are asking for funding from the counties that they provide service to. After discussion it was decided to consider this request during our budget workshop.

Chairman Pettit closed the public hearing at 11:10 a.m.

Motion to approve the change the special use condition for broadcast towers in Thomas County made by Atkins, second by Butler.

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

Motion to approve the updates to the Thomas County Comprehensive Plan & Zoning Regulations for the AG District 5.14(4)(3), AGR District 5.3(4)(1) and Commercial District 5.4(3)(1) made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit.

Motion carried.

Road discussion:

The Purdum west patching has been completed by Thayne. The Halsey North Project is almost complete, the shoulder work will be done later this summer after the burrowing beetle has been trapped and moved so that the construction can be completed. North Seneca overlay project is complete with Werner Construction. The shoulder work should be completed by Mike by the end of this week. Other roads discussed were Collier's road, Most Lane, and Sawyer Mt. Lane. The road men discussed what equipment needs new tires this fall. Mike Kovanda reported that he will be taking vacation July 5-7th. The NIRMA road sign audit will be done June 9th.

The road personnel job description was discussed.

Motion to approve the job description with amendments made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Clerk reported on the quote she received from A to Z Lawn Care. A four application plan was discussed with the total cost of \$1,430 for the entire block the courthouse owns.

Motion to approve having A to Z Lawn Care perform weed control plan made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Aktins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Clerk/Assessor discussed the annual agreement for \$4,500 with GIS Workshop to maintain and host the website for land records.

<http://thomas.assessor.gisworkshop.com>

Motion to approve the support agreement with GIS Workshop made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Chairman Pettit recessed the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

Chairman Pettit reconvened the meeting at 1:04 p.m.

Members present were Norma Butler, Stan Pettit and Al Atkins. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Sheriff Gary Eng, road personnel Thayne Rodocker, Mike Jones of Vision Care Direct, Lee Ray, Tegwin Egle and Marshall Maseberg.

Discussion was held on Resolution #2011-7, Transfer of funds from General Fund to Road Fund. This was tabled until June 21st meeting so that the Treasurer may be available to discuss the transfer.

Mike Jones presented the vision insurance plan from Vision Care Direct. The commissioners will decide at the next meeting on whether to offer this plan.

The vision insurance policy with Ameritas was tabled until the next meeting.

Changes to the employee handbook were discussed. The commissioners are to read over the handbook at discuss any revisions at the next meeting.

The discussion with the Village of Seneca about street maintenance was tabled until a later meeting. No one from the Village board was able to attend the meeting today.

Lloyd Smith will check on how the county and village could handle a fee agreement between the two entities if they decide to approve a maintenance agreement.

Tegwin Egle visited with the board about the request to close at 2:00 a.m. for special designated liquor license. The commissioners will discuss this Resolution at the June 21st meeting.

Tegwin Egle and Marshall Maseberg visited with the board about the condition of the E. Antelope Valley Rd. Commissioner Butler had received a call from Matt Thomas of Thomas Livestock on May 25th asking if it was okay for his workers to repair the road and haul in some dirt and rock. The commissioners decided that this would be fine for him to do the extra work at his expense. It was also discussed that parts of this road need to have the road ditches pulled up. Al Atkins will contact Joe Nutter about the road ditches adjacent to his land. Norma Butler will contact the Hoffman's and Hollenbeck's about the road ditches adjacent to their land.

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

Meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, June 21, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.



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Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting June 21, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:01 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, Deputy County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, and Treasurer Judy Taylor.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on June 9, 2011.

Motion to adopt June 21, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve June 7, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented.

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

GENERAL FUND-

CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	510.00
A TO Z LAWN PRO	SERVICES	320.00
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	417.72
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	484.20
CVSOAN	DUES	50.00
LISA ENG	MILEAGE/MEALS	197.81
GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE/MEALS	220.3
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEALS	188.94
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	73.44
RAMADA INN	LODGING	130.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	5.65
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	44.00
THOMAS COUNTY HIST. SOCIETY	UTILITIES	2000.00
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	14.37
SECURITY FIRST BANK	CHECKS	71.09

ROAD FUND-

CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	27.65
NEBRASKA TRUCK & EQUIPMENT	REPAIRS	457.54
GCR TIRE CENTERS	TIRES	769.84
NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS	CONCRETE	17075.24
NMC	REPAIRS	166.52
PAULSEN INC	CULVERTS	516.00
CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14
WERNER CONSTRUCTION INC	SERVICES	175428.40

VISITORS FUND-

SOWDERS	ADVERTISING	470.00
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DEBT FUND-

SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	33330.30
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Office reports:

Clerk reported that L & L Gravel has some fill dirt for sale for \$2.00 per ton at the Norm Egle pit west of town. Also reported on the property value protests.

Treasurer reported on the financial status of the county.



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Chairman Pettit recessed the regular meeting at 10:30 a.m. for the Board of Equalization hearing.

Chairman Pettit reconvened the regular meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Sheriff reported on the agreement with Grant County sheriff to trade out labor. The Thomas County Sheriff will help in Grant County for Windmill Days and then the Grant County Sheriff will help in Thomas County for the fair. He also reported on the computer virus on the sheriff's computer. He also reported on the CJIS training he attended in Kearney.

Emergency Manager reported on the Region 26 Budget.

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

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-6, Special Designated liquor license 2:00 a.m. closing made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – none, Nays – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion denied.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-7 to transfer \$139,000 from County General Fund to Road Fund made by Butler, Atkins, Pettit.

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

Discussion was held on the employee handbook. Tabled until a later meeting date.

Motion to approve the purchase of the Vision Care Direct insurance for all full time employees for an eye exam at \$2.72 per month with the employee covering the remainder of the vision insurance made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

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

Chairman Pettit reconvened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Members present were Norma Butler, Alan Atkins, and Stan Pettit. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Deputy County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, and Sheriff Gary Eng.

Road discussion:

Motion to approve a 3% increase for the road men salaries for Fiscal Year 2011/2012 made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, July 5, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 5, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:04 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, Cory Griebel, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Marlene Nutter, Stanley Mercer, Kort Hamilton, road personnel Thayne Rodocker, and Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith.

Chairman Pettit stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on June 23, 2011.

Motion to adopt July 5, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve June 21, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve all payroll and claims except claim #71100003 for \$4,603.66 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	681.85
AMERITAS	EMPE RET	1820.45
CENTRAL SANDHILLS AREA EXT OFFICE	ASSESSMENT	3468.14
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	382.77
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	84.45
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	510.00
MARSHALL & SWIFT	SUPPLIES	334.95
MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIPMENT	SERVICE	40.00
NE COUNTY ASSESSORS ASSOC	DUES/REG	150.00
NEBRASKA CRIME COMMISSION	CJ DIRECTORY	7.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	540.82
NIRMA	INSURANCE	8666.00
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICE	41.34
PRO PRINTING & GRAPHICS	SUPPLIES	77.83
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	339.87
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	4777.18
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	5.65
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	76.55
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	315.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	VISION INS	220.02
SALARIES		18189.24

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	EMPE RET	589.38
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH	716.25
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS/SUPP	138.42
MIKE KOVANDA	CELL PHONE	120.00
L & L GRAVEL	MATERIALS	330.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	146.28
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	FEES	4230.16
NIRMA	INSURANCE	10823.00
THAYNE RODOCKER	CELL PHONE	120.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	368.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	1227.71
VISION CARE DIRECT	VISION INS	19.98
SALARIES		5899.61



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PRE-TRIAL FUND- VIAERO WIRELESS

PHONE 52.03

LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	76.81
AMERITAS	EMPE RET	76.78
BRODART	BOOKS	241.5
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	88.17
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	270.45
RONDA HAUMANN	POSTAGE	8.80
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	12.37
NIRMA	INSURANCE	921.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	126.04
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	132.60
VISION CARE DIRECT	VISION INS	16.92
SALARIES		897.71

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.98
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	375.21
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	4193.92
NIRMA	INSURANCE	493.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	25.00
DAN WADAS	QTR PAYMENT	750.00

Office reports:

Sheriff reported on the forest contract usage claim and fees collected through the sheriff's office.

Clerk reported on the 4 property protests filed. The Board of Equalization will meet on July 19th to hear these protests.

A tentative date for Budget work session is August 16th.

Treasurer reported on the financial situation of the county.

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

Motion carried.

Chairman Pettit opened public hearing at 10:30 a.m. for liquor license application for Cory Griebel "dba" Brahmers Steakhouse & Saloon, LLC.

Stanley Mercer spoke with the commissioners on behalf of the Thedford Life Center about the possibility of having the courthouse open on the Saturday of fair for restroom use. More discussion will be held at the July 19th meeting.

Chairman Pettit closed the public hearing at 10:44 a.m.

Motion to grant approval for the liquor license application for Cory Griebel "dba" Brahmers Steakhouse & Saloon, LLC made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Marlene Nutter discussed with the board about the possibility of doing some grader work to Nutter Ln to help prevent the standing water. The commissioners will talk with Mike Kovanda about bringing up the road ditches.

Motion to approve the letter of understanding with McChesney, Martin & Sagehorn for 2011-2012 budget services made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Subgrant Agreement for Child Support Enforcement Services between the County and the Department of Health & Human Services made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins, Pettit. Motion carried.

Kort Hamilton discussed with the board about the county replacing one panel that the road grader had hit this last winter when plowing snow. The commissioners told Thayne to check with Neal Lumber about replacing the panel. Kort also visited with the board about getting some rock or gravel on Hamilton Ln.



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Discussion on roads also included the possibility of drawing up a maintenance and rock/gravel plan for the roads in Thomas County. Lloyd Smith visited with the board about how Cherry County maintains their roads and whether the county or landowners pay for the cost of maintenance. In future months the commissioners will be discussing all options for road maintenance.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be July 19, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 19, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Joe Shown, Don Olson, Larry Rexroth, Gary Schaeffer, Stanley Mercer, road personnel Thayne Rodocker, and Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith.

Chairman Pettit stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on July 7, 2011.

Motion to adopt July 19, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve July 5, 2011 regular meeting minutes made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion to approve claims as presented made by Butler, second by Atkins. Discussion included Arnold Public Schools claim which was for 911 road signs in the county and the G3 claim for mud rock at \$20 per ton rather than \$18 per ton.

Norma will check with G3 on the cost increase. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

A TO Z LAWN PRO	SERVICES	400.00
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	213.90
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	415.28
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	11.89
FREY'S HEATING AND AIR	REPAIR	332.52
HODGES CONOCO INC	SHERIFF	718.50
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	73.44
KEN'S MOTEL	LODGING	68.00
MARSHALL & SWIFT	SERVICES	476.20
MIPS INC	SERVICES	962.25
NATIONAL SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION	DUES	50.00
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	510.84
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER	ASSESSMENT	249.00
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	5796.26
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	548.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	SUPPLIES	71.09
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	5.65
THOMAS CO TREASURER	INSURANCE	3165.85
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	499.90
WEST CENTRAL NEBR AREA AGENCY	ASSESSMENT	356.00

ROAD FUND-

ARNOLD PUBLIC SCHOOLS	SIGNS	7101.97
ALAN ATKINS	RENTAL	450.00
CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
G-3 ENTERPRISES	ROCK	1102.00
HODGES CONOCO INC	ROADS	3822.48
CLAY MOHR	MILEAGE	374.86
OPHEIM-BOOTH REPAIR	REPAIR	572.38
WAYNE RODOCKER	RENTAL	180.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14
WERNER CONSTRUCTION INC	RENT	378.00
WESTERN ENGINEERING	ROCK	1184.80

LIBRARY FUND-

HODGES CONOCO INC	REPAIR	10.98
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Joe Shown & Don Olson of the Sandhills Open Road Challenge visited with the board about the possibility of having a road race on the Halsey Purdum Road in the future. No action was taken at this time. The commissioners will visit with the landowners adjacent to the road. Blaine County will also need to be contacted.

Chairman Pettit recessed the meeting at 10:35 a.m. for the Board of Equalization meeting.

Chairman Pettit reconvened the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

Stanley Mercer visited with the board about having the restrooms available during fair. He has contacted two volunteers to sit in the courthouse during this time. Motion made by Atkins and seconded by Butler to have the west door open to the courthouse on Saturday of fair. Roll call vote: Ayes: Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried. The west door to the courthouse will be open for 2 hours once the parade is over.

Office reports:

Emergency Manger reported on the meeting with the Public Service Commission that will be held Monday July 25th at 1:30 p.m. in Taylor. He also reported on how Code Red has been working.

Clerk reported that the building contractor has been in touch with her about some of the items needing repair in the courthouse. They will be making arrangements to come out and fix these items.

Discussion was held on submitting a bill to Burlington Northern Railroad for repair to Norway Ave. The road was damaged during the train derailment. Motion to approve the Invoice to Burlington Northern Railroad in the amount of \$14,750 for rock and gravel made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-8 authorizing Stan Pettit to sign the Federal Funds Purchase Program Agreement between Thomas County and the NDOR made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins.

Motion to approve the Federal Funds Purchase Program Agreement between Thomas County and the NDOR made by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Roads discussion included: Walter Collier's road, Koroy Loop and Maple St heading to the cemetery.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be August 2, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting

August 2, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Dawn Mallory of Pioneer Memorial Rest Home, Becky Hoaglund of Rape/Domestic Abuse Program, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Thayne Rodocker, Mike Rowe Jr. of Husker Steel and Rhonda Theiler of Sandhills District Health Department.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on July 21, 2011.

Motion to adopt August 2, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve July 19, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	681.85
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1815.68
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	3.29
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3155.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	392.10
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	526.64
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	35.25
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK	PROBATION	462.85
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	510.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	962.25
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	6.98
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	531.23
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	44.00
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	41.34
LARRY REXROTH	SERVICES	450.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	361.07
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	548.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	4674.54
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	7.54
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	44.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	220.02
SALARIES		17753.96

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	589.38
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	716.25
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES	20.81
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	27.50
DAN NAGY	BLDG RENT	300.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	23.57
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	146.28
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	FEES	202.15
NMC	REPAIRS	739.04
RODOCKER CONST CO INC	RENT	1700.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	181.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	1227.71



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VISION CARE DIRECT SALARIES	INSURANCE	19.98
		5899.61
PRE-TRIAL FUND-		
VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.03
VISITORS FUND-		
HALSEY FRONTIER INN	WEB SITE	73.02
SOWDERS	ADVERTISING	470.00
KOROY CONSTRUCTION	REPAIRS	600.00
LIBRARY FUND-		
AFLAC	INSURANCE	76.81
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	68.77
MCNAUGHTON BOOK SERVICE/BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	87.35
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	157.17
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	5.89
MIDAMERICA BOOKS	BOOKS	96.52
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	13.56
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	193.10
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	142.68
VISION CARE DIRECT SALARIES	INSURANCE	16.92
		971.29
AIRPORT FUND-		
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.88
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	393.15
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	1308.00
RYDER-ROSACKER-MCCUE & HUSTON	INSURANCE	2435.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	25.00
WAITE, MCWhA & HARVAT	SERVICES	602.50

Office reports:

Clerk reported on the Legislative Conference to be held in Kearney on October 13th. The NACO conference will be held in Kearney this year from December 14 – 16th. Lodging requests will be sent in on September 8th. The current process of paying the Central Sandhills Area Extension Office needs to change according to the State Auditors Office. The five counties that make up the Central Sandhills Extension are in the process of having an Interlocal agreement drawn up. Once the agreement is signed by all five counties, Thomas County will begin receiving the quarterly payments from the other four counties and then claims will be paid by Thomas County for the Extension office. This change will not require any new tax for the residents of Thomas County.

Treasurer gave a financial statement for the County.

Sheriff reported on the activities in Thomas County. He also reported that two individuals were jailed in Lincoln County this last weekend.

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

Dawn Mallory, Administrator of Pioneer Memorial Rest Home visited with the Commissioners about their activities they offer and their budget for the upcoming fiscal year. The board thanked Mrs. Mallory for taking the time to come and discuss the issues the Hospital District is facing.

Becky Hoaglund from the Rape/Domestic Abuse Program in North Platte visited with the board about what their program offers. Becky has contacted the schools in Thomas County about the programs she will come up and do at the schools free of charge. She also visited with the board about an upcoming training she would like to offer in Thomas



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County. This would be an 8 week course on Rape and Domestic Abuse Program Volunteer Training. Look for more information in upcoming months in the paper.

Commissioner Pettit made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss road personnel, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Entered executive session at 11:07 a.m. commissioners were only present during session.

Motion by Butler, second by Atkins to come out of executive session. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Executive session ended at 11:29 a.m.

Motion to suspend road personnel Mike Kovanda without pay until disciplinary hearing on August 11, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Lloyd Smith talked with the board about the Grant Program with the NDOR for work & road closure traffic control devices. This grant allows the county to purchase barricades and various signs at 10% cost to the county.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-9, Work & Road Closure Traffic Control Devices, made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Thayne Rodocker visited with the board about hauling the cement we have stored by the Village Dump down to the old sale barn to have crushed.

Motion to approve paying Gary Reynoldson of Northern Materials LLC \$7.50 per ton to crush the cement from our stockpile made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve paying Charles Dickau no more than \$3.00 per ton to stockpile the concrete on his property made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

We need to smooth up the Dismal River hill on South Seneca Ave. Commissioner Butler visited with G3 about the additional \$2.00 per ton charge for mud rock. An error was made on the last bill and it will be given as a credit on our next invoice.

Lloyd Smith will check with the NDOR about the shoulders on Purdum Avenue to see if they are completed and if the county needs to start maintaining them.

The commissioners asked Thayne Rodocker to haul dirt to the fairgrounds from G3. The fairgrounds will be pouring an additional piece of concrete onto the existing slab.

Chairman Pettit recessed the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

Chairman Pettit reconvened the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

The budget work session was held for the county.

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

Meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held August 16, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:



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Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Special Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 11:02 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Norma Butler, Stan Pettit, and Al Atkins. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Attorney Warren Arganbright and road personnel Mike Kovanda.

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Motion to adopt August 11, 2011 special meeting agenda made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

The agenda item for discussion was road personnel Mike Kovanda.

Motion to go into Executive session to prevent harm to the reputation of an individual and that Mike Kovanda did not request a public meeting. Motion made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Entered executive session at 11:04 a.m.

The board came out of executive session at 11:22 a.m.

Motion to come out of executive session made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to reinstate road employee Mike Kovanda at his previous pay and have a written warning placed in his employee file made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

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Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 16, 2011

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Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas county Herald on August 4, 2011.

Motion to adopt August 16, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Butler. Absent – Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve August 2, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit. Absent – Atkins. Motion carried.

Visitors – Stanley Mercer thanked the board for allowing the courthouse to be open during the afternoon of fair for restroom use.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	47.92
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	11.27
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	85.98
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	159.84
HOOKE COUNTY TREASURER	SUPPLIES	19.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	11.30
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	113.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	REIMBURSEMENT	54.08

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
CHARLES DICKAU	STORAGE	1209.00
HODGES CONOCO INC	ROAD FUEL	842.60
NORTHERN MATERIALS	SERVICES	3022.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

Office reports:

Clerk reported on the West Central District Meeting to be held in North Platte on September 29th. The Nebraska Department of Roads will be holding a meeting in North Platte on September 30th for Federal Aid Transportation Projects.

Treasurer reported that taxes are starting to be paid.

Sheriff reported on activities in the county.

Emergency Manager reported that he is working with Region 26 to update our LEOP manual. He also reported on finding funding for communication centers.

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



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Motion to approve inventory statements made by Butler, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Butler. Absent – Atkins.

Discussion was held on placing a memorial bench at the courthouse for Tracy Elliott. Tabled until Norma can visit with Bill Elliott.

Motion to approve the Amended Interlocal Agreement for the Provision of Cooperative Extension Services for Central Sandhills made by Pettit, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit. Absent – Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-10 creating the Thomas County – U.N.L. Cooperative Extension Service Expense Fund made by Butler, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Butler. Absent – Atkins. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on signing the loan guaranty for Sandhills District Health Department with Pinnacle Bank – Ogallala. Tabled until further information can be obtained.

Roads discussion:

The 2000 Ford Pickup needs an estimate to repair hood damage. Mike was told to get an estimate from Twin Rivers Auto and Keith's Auto in North Platte.

Road work:

Thayne will be working on finishing Dan Naber's road and Wild Horse Creek Road. Mike & Thayne will work together and repair the cemetery and airport road. Norma will visit with Mick Collins on the best solution to repair the road.

Mike reported that he needs to take the belly dump to Pearson's for welding repair. The 163H grader will need two new tires for this winter and the Peterbuilt will also need new front tires.

The budget was reviewed. The budget hearing will be held September 6, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:28 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held September 6, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

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Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 6, 2011

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Motion to adopt the September 6, 2011 agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve August 11, 2011 special meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Motion to approve August 16, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit. Abstain – Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

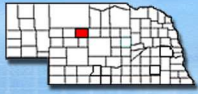
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General Fund-

A TO Z LAWN PRO	SERVICES	390.00
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ROAD FUND-

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Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, and Susan Maline of McChesney, Martin and Sagehorn.

Chairman Pettit opened public budget hearing at 1:08 p.m.

Discussion was held on the budget and tax request.

Chairman Pettit closed the public hearing at 1:42 p.m.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-11 for 1% increase for 2010-2011 funds subject to limitation made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-12 setting the property tax request at \$743,166 and approving the 2011-2012 budget made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Chairman Pettit adjourned the meeting at 1:52 p.m.

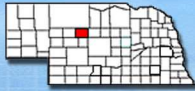
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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
October 4, 2011

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Motion to adopt the October 4, 2011 agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve September 20, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on September 29, 2011 made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	550.81
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1626.07
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	109.77
BLAINE COUNTY	MILEAGE	134.55
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3155.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	334.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	759.43
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	465.80
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	23.05
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	74.37
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	616.72
LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	INMATE	600.00
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MCCHESNY MARTIN SAGEHORN, PC	SERVICES	4950.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	962.25
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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	DUES	400.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	494.53
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	41.34
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	2ND QTR	510.84
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER	2ND QTR	249.00
REGION 26	2ND QTR	5796.26
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	71.95
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	548.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	4320.89
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	93.00
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	SUBSCRIPTION	25.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	375.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	169.14
DAVE YOUNG	MILEAGE	236.43
SALARIES		16492.61

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	589.38
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	716.25
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	154.09
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	27.50
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	3429.86
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	108.88
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	146.28
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	FEES	919.30



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NMC	REPAIRS	242.64
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	440.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	1227.71
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	19.98
WENQUIST, INC	REPAIRS	264.41
SALARIES		5899.61

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.11
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LIBRARY FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	76.81
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	99.95
MCNAUGHTON BOOK	PHONE	241.50
SERVICE/BRODART	AD	27.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	UTILITIES	164.17
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	POSTAGE	8.80
RONDA HAUMANN	TAXES	14.83
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	BOOKS	156.21
PUMPKIN BOOKS	FUEL	62.01
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	TAXES	155.67
SECURITY FIRST BANK	INSURANCE	16.92
VISION CARE DIRECT		1049.40
SALARIES		

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.88
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	278.61
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	491.33
TED J ORMESHER	SERVICES	785.01
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	25.00
DAN WADAS	RENTAL	750.00

Chariman Pettit recessed the meeting at 10:28 a.m. to enter into the Board of Equalization meeting.

Chairman Pettit reconvened the regular meeting at 10:36 a.m.

Office reports:

Clerk reported that the County has not received a response from Burlington Northern from the letter the commissioners sent back on July 18, 2011. The clerk will be out of the office on October 20th for an Election workshop and October 27th for an Assessor workshop. Robert Merchant was hired as the new part time office assistant.

Treasurer reported on the financial statement. She also reported on the delinquent personal property taxes. A letter has been sent to those to remind them and if not paid by October 30th they will be turned over to the Sheriff for collection.

Sheriff reported that the new vehicle should be in around November 15th through December 1st. The sheriff will be gone October 6th and 7th for the NIRMA Self Defense conference in Kearney.

Emergency Manager reported that all radios will be converted to narrowband.

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

Roads discussion:

Discussion was held on Avey Lane, the Clerk presented pictures that were emailed into the office by the landowner. Road personnel will put the cement from torn down basements into the washout and then the landowner will be responsible for putting the sand over top of the material. Commissioner Butler also discussed with the landowner about possibly relocating the fence in another problem area.

The road into the Seneca Cemetery was discussed. The clerk received a request to see if the county would grade the road to fix some washouts. The commissioners asked Mike to please go and grade this road.

Discussion was also held on the bill from L & L Gravel for mud rock to Wild Horse Creek Road. This bill was tabled until the next meeting after Commissioner Atkins can visit with the landowner.



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Lloyd Smith reported on what he learned at the NDOR meeting in North Platte. He learned that we will have to develop a plan and resolution before the end of the year to address the retro-reflectivity of signs. He also talked with the board about minimum maintenance roads.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-13 for emergency relief program-emergency repairs on Project ER-1495(4) Control No. 61551 made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Motion to approve signing the Certification of Compliance on Project ER-1495(4) Control No. 61551 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve signing the Certification of Compliance on Project No. HRRR-STWD-(84) – Horizontal Curve Signage made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Certification of Receipt for Project No. HRRR-STWD-(108) – Work Zone and Road Closure Traffic Control Devices tabled until we receive the barricades from the NDOR.

Discussion was held on road personnel salary and job descriptions. No action taken at this time.

Discussion was held on revisions to the Employee Handbook. Motion to approve the revisions to the Employee Handbook made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Chairman Pettit adjourned the meeting at 12:06 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
October 18, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:04 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Road personnel Mike Kovanda and Thayne Rodocker.

Chairman Pettit stated open meetings 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 6, 2011.

Motion to adopt October 18, 2011 regular meeting agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to approve October 4, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on October 13, 2011 made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

A TO Z LAWN PRO	SERVICES	320.00
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	58.13
GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE	195.46
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	60.46
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	175.90
LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	INMATE	1500.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	44.00
SINCLAIR	FUEL	82.48
U S BANK	SUPPLIES	166.97

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	824.36
GCR TIRE CENTERS	TIRE	359.95
KEITH'S BODY SHOP II, LLC	DEDUCTIBLE	250.00
DON KRAMER	TRUCKING	1000.00
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	1686.96
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	TESTING	31.00
NMC	REPAIRS	369.52
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14
WESTERN ENGINEERING	COLD MIX	2315.40
CONSOLIDATED	TELEPHONE	91.91

Office reports:

Clerk reported that Tim Baxter from NIRMA will be at the November 1, 2011 meeting to discuss a Road Sign Program for Thomas County. Discussed the dividend refund from NIRMA in the amount of \$1,810. The clerk also reported to the commissioners about LB669, an agreement with District Court and County Court for services. The County Attorney and Clerk of the District Court will be discussing the agreement with the Judges. The clerk will be attending an Election Workshop in Kearney on October 20th.

Sheriff reported that he completed the EVOC training. He also gave a report on happenings at the forest. He also reported on the NIRMA conference he attended in Kearney the first of October.

Emergency Manager reported on radio equipment for the fire trucks.



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

Discussion was held on purchase of a phone system for the courthouse. Consolidated Telephone provided a purchase option for the phone system. NIRMA Assist grants are available to help with the purchase of any safety equipment. The phone system is currently being explored as a security system within the courthouse. The deadline for the NIRMA Assist grant is November 1st.

Motion made by Atkins to apply for the NIRMA Assist grant to help with the purchase of the phone system, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

NEMA will be here this afternoon to audit the information from disaster #1770. They will need to review paperwork and then the road personnel will need to take them out to review the roads affected.

Various roads discussed included: Dan Naber's road and autogate, Paxton Ranch road, Avey Lane and Windmill Road. The commissioners also discussed the purchase of mud rock or crushed concrete.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, November 1, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 1, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the meeting were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Thedford Public Schools Superintendent Henry Eggert, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Mike Kovanda, and NIRMA road safety specialist Tim Baxter.

Chairman Pettit stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on October 20, 2011.

Motion to adopt November 1, 2011 agenda made by Atkins second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt October 18, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on October 27, 2011 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. Voter Registration for Thomas County NACO convention was discussed. Stan Pettit was designated as person to cast ballot for Thomas County with Al Atkins being named alternate.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	AFLAC	550.81
AMERITAS	EMPE RET	1693.26
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH	3155.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	328.38
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	414.32
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	24.52
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	219.78
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	162.12
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	159.84
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	510.00
NACO	REGISTRATION	600.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	507.05
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	44.00
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	41.34
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	353.32
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMETNT	548.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	4547.63
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	7.73
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	COPIES	104.63
U S BANK	LODGING	75.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	241.84
DAVE YOUNG	MILEAGE	155.34
SALARIES		17741.88

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	EMPE RET	589.38
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	HEALTH	716.25
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	53.57
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	27.50
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	1050.84
L & L GRAVEL	ROCK	173.40
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	TESTING	36.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	146.28
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	485.51
OPHEIM-BOOTH REPAIR	REPAIRS	15.86
PAULSEN INC	SUPPLIES	592.50



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SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	467.01
SANDHILLS FAMILY MEDICINE	TESTING	70.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	1227.71
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	19.98
SALARIES		5899.61

PRE-TRIAL FUND-		
VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.11

VISITORS FUND-		
IDEA BANK MARKETING, INC	SERVICES	1164.64
SOWDERS	ADVERTISING	470.00

LIBRARY FUND-		
AFLAC	AFLAC	76.81
AMERITAS	EMPE RET	84.35
BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	88.34
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	136.00
FOLLETT SOFTWARE CO	SERVICES	240.00
MICHAEL FREDERICK	BOOKS	44.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	13.66
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	272.31
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	144.54
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	16.92
SALARIES		978.17

AIRPORT FUND-		
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	100.06
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	98.50
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	300.45
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	591.33
DEPT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	158.00
HODGES CONOCO INC	REPAIR	32.11
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	25.00

Office reports:

Clerk reported on upcoming deadlines for Election and Assessor. She also will be meeting with the County Attorney and Judge Piccolo in regards to LB669.

Treasurer reported on the funds available for the county until December and January.

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

Mr. Eggert visited with the board about the Thedford Public Schools budget, curriculum and the loss of state aid.

Tim Baxter visited with the board about implementing a road sign plan for the county. He also informed the board about what NIRMA can do to assist the county in the future.

Motion to approve Resolution #2011-14, recommitment to NIRMA for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

Motion to declare the following inventory as surplus for the Thomas County Library made by Butler, second by Atkins.

- 0029454376 HP Desktop Computer
- 0029454377 HP Desktop Computer
- JPLGF07683 HP Laser Jet printer

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

Motion to approve the loan with Security First Bank for the purchase of a new sheriff vehicle in the amount of \$17,500 with 2.25% interest rate for 4 years with semi-annual payments made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.



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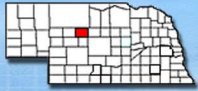
Chairman Pettit adjourned the meeting at 12:21 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held Tuesday, November 15, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 15, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:05 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng, Phillip Licking, Jacqueline Licking, Mike Kovanda, Lloyd Smith, Steve Brown and BJ Thomas.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on November 3, 2011.

Motion to adopt November 15, 2011 agenda made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt November 1, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on November 10, 2011 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

ALAMAR UNIFORMS	SUPPLIES	124.18
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	66.83
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	305.41
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	16.76
JS WRUM & ASSOCIATES	SERVICES	323.60
LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	INMATES	500.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	962.25
NIELSEN & BIRCH	SERVICES	942.80
PLATTE VALLEY FIRE & EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	51.10
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	4162.77
THOMAS CO CLERK OF DIST COURT	FEES	65.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	73.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	COPIES	368.01

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	1421.82
HARSH MERCANTILE	SUPPLIES	4.27
INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	REPAIRS	28.26
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

LIBRARY FUND-

EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	28.25
RONDA HAUMANN	MILEAGE	214.71
PLATTE VALLEY FIRE & EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	22.00

AIRPORT FUND-

DJD LLC	SERVICES	29657.64
G-3 ENTERPRISES	CONCRETE	3952.50
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	164.99



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Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported that the CTL has been filed with the Nebraska Department of Revenue and the tax list has been printed and turned over to the Treasurer's office.

Treasurer reported on the distress warrants issued by her office.

The Holiday Open House for the courthouse will be held on Tuesday, December 20, 2011.

Sheriff reported on the forest contract for the upcoming year.

Emergency Manager reported that he is compiling a list of equipment purchased with grant funds for Region 26.

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

Phillip Licking visited with the board about washouts on N. Seneca Ave and Avey Lane. The board asked road personnel Mike Kovanda to repair the washouts and to install material to help prevent future washouts.

The board also discussed road projects for the one and six year road plan with Lloyd Smith.

Steve Brown and BJ Thomas from Security First Bank presented loan documents for the commissioners to sign for the new sheriff vehicle. This loan was approved at the November 1, 2011 meeting.

Motion to certify Lloyd Smith as the Thomas County Highway Superintendent for the 2011 calendar year made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

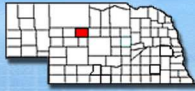
Chairman Pettit adjourned the meeting at 12:02 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 6, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:02 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit and Alan Atkins. Motion to excuse board member Norma Butler made by Atkins, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Absent – Butler. Motion carried. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Ron Schlader-Halsey National Forest, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Joe Shown, Lemoyne Dailey, Aaron Olson, Don Olson, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on November 24, 2011.

Motion to adopt December 6, 2011 agenda made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt November 15, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on November 24, 2011 made by Pettit, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Visitors – Ron Schlader with the Halsey National Forest introduced himself to the board. He is the acting District Ranger for the forest until February. He thanked Sheriff Gary Eng for his presence at the forest during the rifle deer season this year. He also visited with the board about the law enforcement budget for the upcoming fiscal year. He hopes to have more information about the budget for the January meeting.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

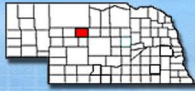
Motion to approve payroll and claims as presented made by Atkins, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	550.81
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1712.47
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	217.35
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3155.89
BRIDGE OF HOPE	MILEAGE	77.00
CENTRAL SANDHILLS AREA EXT OFFICE	ASSESSMENT	3468.14
CHERRY COUNTY HOSPITAL	COURT FEES	47.30
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	333.42
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	368.04
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	19.55
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	593.66
LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	INMATE COST	50.00
MARILYN MASEBERG	RETIREMENT	96.00
LOUISE MILLER	RETIREMENT	96.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1046.07
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	532.03
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	64.00
QUILL	SUPPLIES	141.47
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	916.63
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	548.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	4697.50
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	214.68
THOMAS COUNTY COURT	COURT FEES	457.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	183.68
DAVE YOUNG	MILEAGE	358.09
SALARIES		18245.82

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	589.38
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	716.25
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	463.17
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	65.08
GARRETT TIRES & TREAD	TIRES	2578.72
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	4036.21
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	24.36
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	146.28
NEBRASKA SAFETY CENTER	TRAINING	70.00
NEBRASKA TRUCK & EQUIPMENT	REPAIRS	113.75
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	FEES	185.90
NMC	REPAIRS	369.52
OPHEIM-BOOTH REPAIR	REPAIRS	399.31
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	149.01
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	1227.71
U S BANK	BOOK	126.00



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VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	19.98
SALARIES		5899.61

PRE-TRIAL FUND- VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.11
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LIBRARY FUND- AFLAC	INSURANCE	76.81
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	103.62
BRODART	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	88.21
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	301.94
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	15.76
FOLLETT SOFTWARE CO	SERVICES	240.00
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	44.67
LIBRARIANS' BOOK EXPRESS	BOOKS	69.92
LOOKOUT BOOKS	BOOKS	144.78
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	22.14
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	16.03
OLLIS BOOK CORPORATION	BOOKS	111.60
PUMPKIN BOOKS	BOOKS	315.31
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	169.46
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	166.21
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	16.92
SALARIES		1121.59

AIRPORT FUND- CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.98
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	322.15
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	541.33
J R GILES	BOX RENT	42.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	TRASH	25.00
WAITE, MCWHA & HARVAT	SERVICES	174.28

Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported that the rural reappraisal is completed. The clerk also discussed some zoning questions that have been brought up in regards to sand/gravel pits; she will consult with the county attorney and then bring the issue up with the Planning Commission.

Treasurer reported that the tax statements have been printed and will be mailed out within the next week.

Sheriff reported that the new pickup is in and that he will be transferring the equipment from the old to the new pickup this week.

Emergency Manager reported on the radio conversion for all rescue equipment.

The SORC (Sandhills Open Road Challenge) committee visited with the board about closing the Halsey/Purdum Road on August 9th for the road race. The SORC committee will provide liability insurance for the race which will cover all county board members and Thomas County. The SORC committee also informed that board that they would have funds available for purchasing road signs for the Halsey/Purdum road.

Motion to approve closing the Halsey/Purdum Road for a portion of the day on August 9, 2012 for the SORC race made by Atkins, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

The employee handbook was discussed. No action taken to change the handbook at this time.

Commissioner Atkins reported that he looked at the turn offs along the S. Seneca Ave, he contacted road personnel to remove some dirt from the turn offs to the pastures. Road personnel Thayne Rodocker visited with the board about how the county was going to repair the W. North Loup Road next summer along with patching and armor coating the Purdum Ave.

The retro reflectivity policy was discussed with the Highway Superintendent. It was decided to table this item until the December 20, 2011 meeting. The NACO convention next week in Kearney will probably have a lot of discussion about this issue.

The commissioners discussed whether they would like to purchase some of the crushed concrete from the NDOR in Maxwell again. This item was tabled until the December 20th meeting. They would like to look into the possibility of renting a loader to load the material in Maxwell rather than taking the county's loader down to Maxwell.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:09 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, December 20, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.



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Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 20, 2011

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:03 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng and road personnel Thayne Rodocker.

Chairman Pettit stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on December 8, 2011.

Motion to adopt December 20, 2011 agenda made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt December 6, 2011 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on December 15, 2011 made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

Motion to rescind the previous motion to pay all claims as presented made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion to approve paying all claims with the exception of claims 12110090, 12110092 and 12110094 from the Thomas County Visitors Committee until receipts have been provided to the clerk for these claims the checks will be held in the County Clerk's office made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVCS	44.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLES	41.00
CHERRY COUNTY SHERIFF	INMATE	1100.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	358.55
GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE	177.05
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEAL	186.87
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	79.92
MIPS INC	SUPPLES	26.75
NACO	DUES	866.89
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	22.33
SECURITY FIRST BANK	DEPOSIT SLIPS	36.13
AMANDA M. SPEICHERT	SERVCS	568.75
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	88.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	FEES	294.54
U S BANK	FUEL	71.45

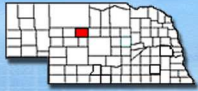
ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
KRIS GANOUNG	LEASE	300.00
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL/DIRT	1000.00
NEBRASKA SAFETY CENTER	TRAINNG	70.00
NMC	REPAIRS	9.79
RODOCKER CONST CO INC	LOADER RENTAL	3500.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	GRADER PYMT	1717.14

VISITORS FUND-

COWPOKE, LLC	TOURISM GRANT	*1911.22
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	16.51
TERRI LICKING	EXPENSES	*1189.90
THEDFORD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	TOURISM GRANT	1185.64
TOM WITT	EXPENSES	*1075.37

*CLAIMS TO BE PAID ONCE RECEIPTS TURNED IN



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COUNTY DEBT SERVICE FUND-
SECURITY FIRST BANK

PAYMENT

33330.10

Office reports:

The clerk reported that at the NACO conference last week the State Auditor's office informed the county clerks that any county receiving federal stimulus money would need to pay to have an audit performed for the federal funds received even though the money didn't actually run through the county. The clerk reported that she has contact Don Wilson about this additional audit. He has agreed to perform this audit but it will be at an additional charge to the county. The clerk will get all paperwork from the Nebraska Department of Roads, the Responsible Charge person and the Consultant Engineers here at the courthouse for Don Wilson to perform the audit.

Treasurer reported that the tax statements were sent out last week. The treasurer will also get together with the county attorney to begin foreclosure on a couple of properties that have delinquent taxes on them. She also reported on updates from the NACO conference.

Emergency Manager reported that the Rural Fire Board has purchased the software package to program their radios.

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

Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the request for general assistance. The appropriate paperwork has been filed with the county clerk and the application meets the guidelines of the Thomas County general assistance policy. Motion to approve the request for general assistance made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

The clerk presented the board with the resignation letter of Noah Nutter as the Thomas County Veterans Service Officer. Motion to accept the resignation of Noah Nutter made by Butler, seconded by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Motion carried. The board would like to express their gratitude to Noah for his service. At this time the board discussed their options for appointing a new veterans service officer. The commissioners will visit with the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners to see if we could possibly have their Veterans service officer serve Thomas County also.

The clerk presented the board with the resignation letter of Mike Kovanda.

Motion to accept Mike Kovanda's resignation made by Atkins, second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Motion carried.

The clerk will be advertising for temporary help for snow removal until we can hire a new road man.

The Retro reflectivity policy was tabled until the next meeting.

The board discussed purchasing crushed concrete from the Nebraska Department of Roads in Maxwell. Due to the availability of mud rock the board decided to write a letter to the Nebraska Department of Roads and ask for 2,000 ton of crushed concrete.

Motion to approve to tentatively purchase 2,000 ton of crushed concrete from the Nebraska Department of Roads at \$6.50 per ton made by Butler, second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Motion carried.

Road projects discussed were the completion of road projects on Wild Horse Creek Road, Dan Naber's road and that the county needs to complete the curb on the North Seneca Hill Rd. The board also discussed where to put the riff raff from several buildings that were tore down in Seneca. These major projects will be completed once the county has hired a new road man. Both road men will work together to complete these major projects.

Chairman Pettit adjourned the meeting at 12:08 p.m.

The next organizational meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held Tuesday, January 3, 2012 at 9:00 a.m., with the regular board meeting to begin at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Stan Pettit, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk