

Thomas County Board Minutes



Agenda of the
THOMAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
January 3, 2013 – 10:00 a.m.
Commissioners Meeting Room
Thomas County Courthouse – Thedford, Nebraska

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call / Excused Absences
3. Nebraska Open Meetings Act Statement
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4. Statement of Publication for January 3, 2013 regular meeting – published December 20, 2012/TC Herald
5. Adoption of January 3, 2013 agenda
6. Statement of Publication of December 18, 2012 regular meeting minutes – published December 27, 2012/TC Herald
7. Approval of December 18, 2012 regular meeting minutes
8. Acknowledge Visitors
9. Address Correspondence
10. Payroll and Claim Items
 - Approval/Disapproval of payroll and claims presented
11. Office Reports / Fee Reports
 - Approval/Disapproval of fee reports

10:30 a.m. – Nebraska Public Power District – update on Transmission line
Alan Beiermann & Craig Holte

10:45 a.m. – Tim Buskirk – Halsey Forest Update

12. Review suggested changes to Employee Handbook Policy
13. Discussion/Action changes to Employee Handbook Policy
14. Discussion/Action regarding library heating system
15. Discussion/Action regarding transfer from Inheritance fund to replace library heating system

11:00 a.m. – Roads

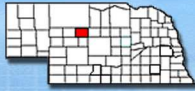
16. Discussion/Action regarding road projects
17. Public Comment
16. Adjourn



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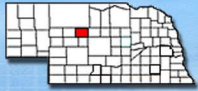
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5. Adoption of January 15, 2013 agenda
6. Statement of Publication of January 3, 2013 organizational meeting minutes – published January 10, 2013/TC Herald
7. Approval of January 3, 2013 organizational meeting minutes
7. Statement of Publication of January 3, 2013 regular meeting minutes - published January 10, 2013/TC Herald
8. Approval of January 3, 2013 regular meeting minutes
9. Acknowledge Visitors
10. Address Correspondence
11. Claim Items
 - Approval/Disapproval of claims presented
12. Office Reports/Fee Reports
 - Approval/Disapproval of fee reports
13. Discussion/Action regarding Sheriff's leave of absence
14. Discussion/Action regarding changes to Employee Handbook Policy
15. Discussion/Action regarding request from Village of Seneca to push in brush pile with county equipment
16. Discussion/Action regarding Visitors Committee appointment to the Western Nebraska Tourism Coalition
17. Discussion/Action regarding Thomas County Visitors Committee By - laws

11:00 a.m. – Roads



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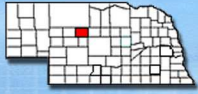
18. Discussion/Action regarding road projects
19. Discussion/Action regarding Tree & Brush Policy
20. Discussion/Action regarding Utility Policy
21. Discussion/Action regarding purchase of 3,200 ton millings from NDOR at \$10 per ton
22. Discussion/Action regarding purchase of used truck
23. Discussion/Action regarding financing of used truck

LUNCH PROVIDED BY LEGAL SHIELD – FOR INSURANCE PRESENTATION TO EMPLOYEES

1:15 p.m. – Carol Conard- Thomas County Weed Superintendent

24. Discussion/Action regarding the Annual Weed Report
25. Public Comment
26. Adjourn

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
January 15, 2013

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 Al Atkins and Stan Pettit.

Absent – Norma Butler. Motion made by Atkins to excuse the absence of Commissioner Butler, second by Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Attorney Warren Arganbright, road personnel Keith Hartman and Thayne Rodocker, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, and Gregg O’Brien of Nebraska Machinery.

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

Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to adopt the January 15, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to approve the January 3, 2013 organizational meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 10, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to approve the January 3, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 10, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

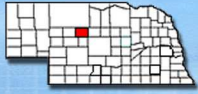
Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to approve the claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	33.78
BRIDGE OF HOPE	MILEAGE	77.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	351.52
NACO	REGISTRATION	160.00
NE ASSOC OF COUNTY TREAS	2013 DUES	75.00
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	122.52
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	474.29
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	6420.63
SANDHILLS R C & D	DUES	50.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	5.30
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	FEES	274.65

ROAD FUND-

CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL	PAYMENT	2086.62
NEBRASKA PETERBILT FORD	REPAIR	978.54
PEARSON'S INC	SUPPLIES	11.55
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14
WESTERN ENGINEERING	ROAD MATERIAL	893.70



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EXTENSION FUND-

MCI	PHONE	56.78
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	802.34

LIBRARY FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
NEBR LIBRARY COMMISSION	BOOKS	1000.00

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	12.85
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AIRPORT FUND-

DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	541.33
MIKE LUFF	REPAIR	103.40

Office reports:

Assessor/Clerk reported that grass values will probably stay the same but irrigated grass will be taking a significant increase this year. More information should be available by the February 5th meeting. The area Assessor's will be meeting on Thursday, January 17th to visit with an appraiser to use for our counties in the future.

The Clerk also reported that she had been contacted by Hanna, Keelan & Associates to update the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations for the county. They will be submitting information on the cost of updating the plan.

Treasurer reported that she has sent out letters to the delinquent taxpayers again. She will be running the list in the Thomas County Herald the first three weeks of February.

Sheriff presented his fee report for the office. He also reported that the Sandhills Area Sheriff's Association has been working on a mock disaster drill with the schools. He also reported that he hasn't received a new forest contract yet with the Halsey National Forest.

Motion made by Pettit second by Atkins to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the sheriff's medical leave of absence starting February 7th and continuing for 3 to 4 months. He was injured on November 10, 2012 during a search and rescue at the Halsey National Forest.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to approve Logan County Sheriff's office employees Jonathan Heflin and Sean Carsons appointment by the Thomas County Sheriff Gary Eng to serve as Thomas County Sheriff Deputy during his medical leave of absence, at the hourly rate of \$17.50 plus mileage. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit second by Atkins to approve Visitors Committee recommendation of Tom Witt's appointment to the Western Nebraska Tourism Coalition. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Norma Butler. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Thomas County Visitors Committee By – Laws. Under the advisement of the County Attorney no action was taken.

Roads discussion:

The board discussed the Tree & Brush Policy and also the Utility Policy. No action was taken at this time. A public notice will be placed on the date and time of the meeting to establish these policies.



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Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to purchase 3,200 ton of millings from the NDOR at \$10 per ton, these millings are located at the Seneca East stockpile site. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

The board discussed different used trucks. The clerk is to contact Security First Bank about financing the purchase once a truck has been found.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 1:08 p.m. Members present were Stan Pettit and Al Atkins. Absent – Norma Butler. Also present in the afternoon were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Weed Superintendent Carol Conard and road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman.

Carol Conard presented the annual weed report to the board. Discussion was held about the possibility of new noxious weeds coming in through all the hay from other states.

Motion made by Pettit second by Atkins to approve the annual weed report presented by Carol Conard. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Motion made by Atkins and second by Pettit to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

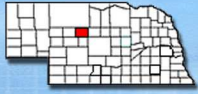
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
February 5, 2013

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 meeting were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Paul Madron, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Thayne Rodocker & Keith Hartman. Chairman Atkins stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adopt the February 5, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the January 15, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 24, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. An estimate from Halls Electric was presented to the board to do work at the County shop area in Thedford. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the estimate submitted by Halls Electric for \$944.82 and to have the work completed. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and seconded by Butler to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	290.94
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1818.59
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	55.37
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3155.89
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	184.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	340.35
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	620.74
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	601.84
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	49.66
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	103.96
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	181.60
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	50.94
JOHN DEERE CREDIT	PAYMENT	2366.75
MIPS INC	SERVICES	989.30
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	596.68
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	839.63
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	5322.77
TED TAYLOR	MILEAGE	49.72
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	20.49
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	90.00
THOMAS COUNTY LIBRARY	BOOKMOBILE	860.25
U S BANK	SONY RECORDER	47.69
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	267.78
DAVE YOUNG	MILEAGE	40.68
SALARIES		16033.02

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	596.96
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	275.83
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	28.73
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	87.96
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	737.52
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	226.75
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	2663.48
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	58.46
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	1760.93
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	4.44
SALARIES		6142.08

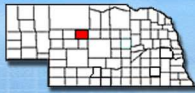
PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	234633	54.11
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	10.55
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EXTENSION FUND-



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AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	240.17
ROSEMARY ANDERSON	MILEAGE	54.24
BRAHMER'S STEAKHOUSE	MEALS	137.71
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	169.34
MELANIE CLARK	MILEAGE	50.85
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	201.26
JUNE EMERSON	MILEAGE	50.85
JENNIFER HOLTHUS	MILEAGE	73.45
HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE	SUBSC/PUBLI	34.69
MCI	PHONE	56.71
MODERN METHODS	SERVICES	360.40
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	47.28
SUE PEARMAN	LODGING/MEALS	195.49
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	496.99
ADAM ZUTAVERN	MILEAGE	38.42
SALARIES		1838.16

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	103.50
MARCY ANDERSEN	POSTAGE	24.11
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	86.70
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	96.56
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	534.62
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SERVICES	13.85
MIDAMERICA BOOKS	BOOKS	50.85
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	13.99
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	3.27
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	123.04
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	46.12
SALARIES		679.68

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

HODGES CONOCO INC	REPAIRS	121.27
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	TAXES	5.54
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	63.63
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	56.56
SALARIES		335.94

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	102.36
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	40.50
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	479.56
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL/REPAIR	135.56
DAN WADAS	QTRLY HIRE	750.00
WAITE, MCWHA & HENG	ATTORNEY	203.50

Office reports:

Sheriff reported that he is still working with the Forest Service to approve the new law enforcement contract. The Mock School Shooting Disaster is planned for August 24, 2013. The final Gator payment will be made to John Deere this month.

Treasurer reported on the delinquent taxes and the audit by Don Wilson.

Clerk/Assessor reported that grass values will remain the same at \$260 per acre and irrigated values will increase to \$1,000 per acre. All counties surrounding Thomas County will either be at \$1,000 per acre for irrigated or even higher.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins opened the Tree & Brush Policy Hearing at 10:30 a.m.

Chairman Atkins closed the Tree & Brush Policy Hearing at 10:40 a.m.

Motion made by Butler and seconded by Pettit to approve Resolution #2013-3, Tree & Brush Policy. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

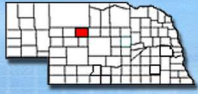
Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to approve Resolution #2013-4, Utility Policy. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Abstain – Butler. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve Resolution #2013-5, Thomas County Visitors Promotion Fund Advisory Committee decreased from seven members to five members. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins opened the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan Hearing at 11:00 a.m.

Discussion was held on the various road projects in the upcoming years.

Chairman Atkins closed the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan hearing at 11:32 a.m.



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Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve Resolution #2013-6, 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the purchase of a new used truck.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the purchase of the 2007 Freightliner from Nebraska Truck Center and to trade in the 1997 Mack Truck for a difference of \$40,500. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to sign the promissory note with Security First Bank for \$40,500 at 2.45% for 4 years. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 1:12 p.m.

Members present were Alan Atkins, Norma Butler, and Stan Pettit. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Auditor Don Wilson, Thomas County Airport Authority members-Steve Reed, Tim Maseberg, and Allan Jameson.

Don Wilson visited with the board about upcoming changes to how our Audit will be handled. Next year we will also need to have a separate financial statement prepared to compare with the audit performed. The county attorney will prepare a Resolution to establish a committee to prepare the financial statement.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the Management Representation Letter by Don Wilson. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the Legal Litigation letter to the County Attorney by Don Wilson. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on how the claims and receipts are handled for the airport authority. It has been brought to the county's attention that since the Airport is not a county airport all financial responsibilities should be turned over to the Airport Authority. The county will finish out this fiscal year by preparing claims and receipts. Effective July 1, 2013 the Airport Authority will take over these actions.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

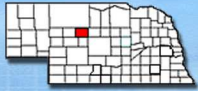
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on February 19, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection at the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
February 19, 2013

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 throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Attorney Warren Arganbright, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman, and Kim Cox. Chairman Atkins stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adopt the February 19, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the February 5, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on February 14, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	33.54
BRIDGE OF HOPE	MILEAGE	79.10
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	33.22
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	73.45
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	331.80
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	81.36
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	SERVICES	135.10

ROAD FUND-

NMC	REPAIRS	282.93
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

EXTENSION FUND-

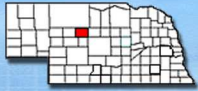
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	147.12
GRANT COUNTY NEWS	FEES	7.52
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	108.83

AIRPORT FUND-

DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	541.33
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	42.98

Office reports:

Clerk reported that all political subdivisions had reimbursed the county \$2,646.38 for their election expenses for the General Election. The total cost to the county for the General Election was \$4,566.20.



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L & L Gravel had asked that when the county uses his scale to weigh product if we would pay them \$2.00 per load to weigh.

Treasurer reported on delinquent taxes. The tax sale will be March 4th at 8:00 a.m. for delinquent taxes.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all office reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 10:30 a.m. for Board of Equalization.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

Discussion was held on the Financial Audit Committee. Motion made by Atkins and second by Pettit to approve Resolution #2013-8, establishing the Thomas County Financial Audit Committee. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the correspondence received about updating the Thomas County Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations. The board asked the Clerk to contact other companies about what the possible cost could be.

Roads:

Kim Cox visited with the board about a claim he had presented for tree cutting on Purdum Ave. Motion made by Atkins and second by Pettit to approve the claim from Kim Cox for tree cutting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Abstain – Butler. Motion carried.

The board also discussed grader repairs and tree trimming.

The board reviewed the changes made to the Employee Handbook. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the Employee Handbook with revisions. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve Resolution #2013-7, Adoption of the Road Plat Book. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 12:02 p.m.

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

Members present were Alan Atkins, Norma Butler and Stan Pettit. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Librarian Marcy Andersen and Ronda Haumann.

Discussion was held on the library renovations. Marcy Andersen reviewed with the board the projects that needed work in the library. She also reviewed suggested ways for fundraising ideas. The library board and Marcy had been looking for grants and donations to do the much needed repair in the library. The list of repairs includes a new furnace, new ceiling, new windows and doors, electrical work, painting and flooring, bathroom repairs. The problem with receiving grants is that the library bathroom was not handicap accessible and some grants would also require us to hire an architect. The library board suggested that a loan be taken out to help pay for the repairs along with any donations received.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to approve the recommendations of the Library Board renovations. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to secure a renovation loan with Security First Bank at 3.5% interest for the balance of the budget of renovations to the library and not to exceed \$60,000. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:06 p.m.



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The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on March 5, 2013 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 at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 5, 2013

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:06 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Theedford, NE. Members present were Alan Atkins and Norma Butler. Absent – Stan Pettit. Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to excuse member Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried. Also present throughout the meeting were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman. Chairman Atkins stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested.

Motion made by Butler and second by Atkins to adopt the March 5, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Atkins to approve the February 19, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on February 28, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

No visitors present.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

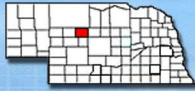
Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	290.94
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1785.68
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	471.04
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3155.89
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	184.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	340.26
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	739.57
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	455.71
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	85.58
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	181.60
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	57.27
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	81.36
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	MILEAGE	41.65
MIPS INC	SERVICES	989.30
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	12.98
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	594.71
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	PROPANE	891.48
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	5206.25
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	5.60
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	267.78
SALARIES		15422.54

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	596.96
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	116.80
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	39.29
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	1694.84
K C ELECTRIC	SERVICES	300.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	58.63
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	226.75
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	3191.75
NMC	REPAIRS	6563.16
NORTHERN MATERIALS	SERVICES	30187.50
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	183.45
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1760.93
THOMAS CO TREASURER	TITLE	10.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	4.44
SALARIES		6142.08



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PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.74
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	10.55
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	208.85
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	201.26
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	12.89
FARMERS/RANCHERS COOP	FUEL	96.40
MODERN METHODS	SERVICES	360.40
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	38.69
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	417.46
SALARIES		1566.38

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIRMENT	95.07
MARCY ANDERSEN	POSTAGE	298.55
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	99.47
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	496.64
FOLLETT SOFTWARE CO	BOOKS	240.00
RONDA HAUMANN	SUPPLIES	63.07
JIM JOHNSTON	TANK	450.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	33.53
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	3.71
PENWORTHY COMPANY	BOOKS	113.72
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	127.06
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	46.12
SALARIES		706.80

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

HODGES CONOCO INC	SUPPLIES	9.81
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	6.90
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	118.99
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	70.44
SALARIES		418.26

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	102.36
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	412.90
JOHNSTON WELL SERVICE	SERVICES	290.48

Office reports:

Clerk reported that the county has received a grant from the Secretary of State's office for \$2,185.74 to help cover the cost of the Primary and General Elections of 2012. The Clerk also reported that Michael Graves of Affiliated Brokers Insurance of Kearney would like to do a health insurance quote for the county but he would require a census of all employees. The West Central District meeting will be March 28, 2013 in Ogallala. Clerk/Clerk of District Court fee report presented.

Treasurer reported on the delinquent taxes.

Emergency Manger reported that Region 26 will be taking bids for a new building in Taylor. The bids will be opened on April 3rd during their meeting. NEMA has helped them acquire grants to pay for the new building.

Motion made by Butler and second by Atkins to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried. Chairman Atkins opened lawn care bids at 10:30 a.m.

Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to accept the bid from Jerry Linn at \$520 per month for lawn care. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the letter from NDEQ for request for comments on the Application from Wild Horse Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation. The clerk and attorney will send a letter for the board stating the concerns about water levels and heavy truck traffic on the roads.

The board discussed updating the Thomas County Comprehensive Plan and Zoning regulations. This has been tabled until March 19th meeting.



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The board reviewed the Auditor Management & Discussion Analysis. Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to approve the Auditor Management & Discussion Analysis. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

BJ Thomas of Security First Bank reviewed the loan documents for the Thomas County Library renovation loan. Motion made by Butler and second by Atkins to approve the construction loan with Security First Bank at 3.5% interest. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

The millings for the North Seneca road project were discussed. The bricks for the South Seneca road were discussed. The road personnel will have to rent a skidsteer with tracks to complete this project.

Tree trimming projects were discussed. The road personnel are to check with NAPA in North Platte about purchasing the chainsaws and other equipment.

Discussion was held on purchasing land for a road department shop.

Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to make an offer of \$3,000 for parcel number 860012611. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on March 19, 2013 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 at the office of the Thomas County Clerk.

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 19, 2013

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 and Norma Butler. Absent – Stan Pettit. Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to excuse board member Stan Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried. Also present throughout the meeting were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman, and Bethany Johnston.

Chairman Atkins stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Motion made by Butler and second by Atkins to adopt the March 19, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Atkins to approve the March 5, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on March 14, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. The sheriff will attend the meeting about new roads in the National Forest in Halsey.

Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to approve claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	188.88
BRIDGE OF HOPE	MILEAGE	79.10
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	112.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	EXTENSION	3970.78
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	SERVICES	276.31
ANDREA THOMAS	MILEAGE	240.50
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT	REGISTRATION	80.00

ROAD FUND-

NMC	REPAIRS	261.05
PLAINS EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	19.26
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

VISITORS FUND-

NE OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE ASSOC.	MEMBERSHIP	125.00
NEBRASKA LIFE	ADVERTISING	878.51
NEBRASKA STATE 4-H CAMP	PROMOTION	250.00
SOWDERS	ADVERTISING	470.00
THOMAS CO AG SOCIETY	GRANT	1942.50

VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-

VILLAGE OF SENECA	ELECTRICAL	1200.00
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EXTENSION FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	87.97
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	46.97
MCI	SERVICES	69.98

LIBRARY FUND-

MARCY ANDERSEN	SUPPLIES	377.84
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	19.95
FREY'S HEATING AND AIR	SERVICES	6527.00
HALLS ELECTRIC & SERVICES	SERVICES	3439.01



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AIRPORT FUND-
DEPT OF AERONAUTICS

PAYMENT

541.33

Office reports:

Clerk reported that the Audit has been completed and is on file in the Clerk's office for anyone to view. The clerk also reported on the cost estimates to put electricity on the land the county owns out by the fairgrounds. The clerk also reported that FEMA/NEMA has approved the extension for road work on Daly Lane. The new completion date is July 15, 2013.

Sheriff reported that the forest contract has not been completed yet. He also reported on the horses in Seneca.

Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to approve all office reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins opened the Amended Budget hearing at 10:30 a.m.

Chairman Atkins closed the Amended Budget hearing at 10:46 a.m.

Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to approve Resolution #2013-9, to amend the 2012/2013 Library Fund Budget for an additional \$60,000. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on updating the Thomas County Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations. This was tabled until the April 2, 2013 commissioner meeting.

Discussion was held on placing a tree on the courthouse lawn. No action taken.

Discussion was held on the services of A to Z Lawn for the 2013 season. Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to approve the A to Z Lawn Care service agreement for the 2013 season. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the construction contract for the library remodeling project. Tabled until the April 2, 2013 meeting.

Roads discussion:

The road personnel reported that the bricks have been hauled from Seneca to South Seneca Ave. The road personnel will have to rent equipment to get the bricks placed along the ditch. Other road projects discussed were- Daly Lane and Windmill Road. These projects will be started once the weather improves. Bethany Johnston visited with the board in regards to Windmill Road.

No public comment.

Motion made by Atkins and second by Butler to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas county Board of Commissioners will be held on April 2, 2013 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 at 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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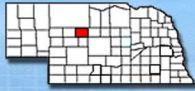
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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 2, 2013

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 Alan Atkins, Norma Butler, and Stan Pettit. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Henry Eggert, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman.

Chairman Atkins stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the April 2, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

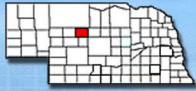
Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the March 19, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on March 28, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – None. Abstain – Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	290.94
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1835.31
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	143.28
BLAINE COUNTY	MILEAGE	56.50
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3155.89
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT	INSURANCE	184.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	343.55
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	423.74
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF	INMATE	100.00
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	459.55
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	132.78
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	181.60
LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF	SERVICES	22.98
LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER	MENTAL HEALTH	300.00
LINDEMEIER & ASSOCIATES	ATTORNEY FEES	150.00
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	MILEAGE	138.99
MIPS INC	SERVICES	989.30
NE DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	413.76
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	591.52
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	527.79
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	474.29
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION	ASSESSMENT	258.00
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	6420.63
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	5284.12
SECURITY FIRST BANK	DEPOSIT SLIPS	37.51
STEPHENS-PECK INC	SUPPLIES	85.00
TANYA ROBERTS-CONNICK	MENTAL HEALTH	50.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	76.21
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	322.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	267.78
DONALD D WILSON	AUDIT 2012	6000.00
SALARIES		15813.26



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ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	596.96
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	51.43
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	31.66
MARK HYDRAULIC CO, INC	REPAIRS	463.49
NAPA AUTO PARTS	CHAIN SAW	724.87
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	226.75
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	656.60
NMC	REPAIRS	700.28
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	334.44
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1760.93
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	2660.32
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	4.44
SALARIES		6142.08

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.74
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	219.28
ASSIST BUSINESS CENTER	SERVICES	1042.50
COLUMBIA INSURANCE GROUP	INSURANCE	2539.00
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	201.26
FARMERS/RANCHERS COOP	FUEL	59.80
FP MAILING SOLUTIONS	POSTAGE	128.85
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	41.55
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	59.71
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	448.54
SALARIES		1684.70

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	90.00
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	108.89
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	360.83
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	3.72
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	PROPANE/SERVICE	1137.48
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	126.84
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	15.42
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	46.12
SALARIES		707.43

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	5.44
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	99.96
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	55.48
SALARIES		329.32

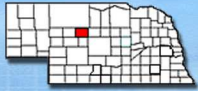
AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	102.36
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	436.70
WAITE, MCWHA & HENG	SERVICES	37.00

Office reports:

Clerk reported on the Planning/Zoning hearing held on March 25th for the hog confinement unit at Colliers.

Sheriff reported that he has been released to drive and to work some, but nothing that would put him into a combative situation. He also reported that he has not received a Forest contract for the upcoming season yet. He also attended



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the meeting put on by the Halsey Forest in regards to the roads in the forest. The sheriff also visited with the board about the horses in Seneca that he has received complaints on. Doc Petrie will be going over to Seneca to check on these horses.

Treasurer reported that she has around \$3,500 in delinquent taxes.

Emergency Manager reported on the Code Red system. If you would like to receive any emergency updates, this includes weather or in the most recent case and alert to the fugitive in the area, you would need to sign up the phone numbers you would like to have called (home, work or cell phone). The website to sign up is www.region26.org. He also talked with the board about the article in the Omaha World Herald about the statewide communication network.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The Comprehensive and Zoning Plan tabled until next meeting.

The construction contract for remodeling for the library was tabled until next meeting.

Discussion was held on an appointment to the Airport Authority. Ron Masten has volunteered to serve on this board.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to appoint Ron Masten to the Thomas County Airport Authority Board until the next election. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays - none. Motion carried.

Henry Eggert visited with the board about a driveway into some land he purchased north of the Thedford. The board suggested that he contact an independent contractor to build the access from off the highway into the land he purchased. The county will grade a surface up to his house and place some material on the roadway after it is built.

The board reviewed the National and State Functional Classification maps from the NDOR. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the National and State Functional Classification Maps. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Commissioner Pettit visited with the board and road employees about concrete forms for auto gates. Repairs to the belly dump cylinders were discussed. A possible place to check on repairs would be Central Nebraska Diesel out of Merna.

Lloyd visited with the board about the flexible object marker program. This program currently is for marking bridges but there have been inquiries about possibly using these markers for auto gates also. The state will make the determination to see if the markers for auto gates will be included in the grant program.

The county has rented a skid steer from NMC to do the work on the South Seneca Avenue road by the Dismal River this week. The road employees are also planning on using the skid steer to dig out soft spots on the road and repair with a road base mix.

The remaining brick material located in Seneca will be used along Daly Lane.

No public comment.

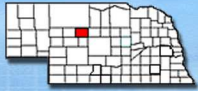
Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on April 16, 2013 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 at 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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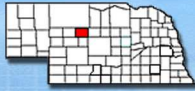


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Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 16, 2013

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, Theedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Tim Downing, Laura Krebsbach, Kelly Maskek, Sallie Atkins, Becky Collier, Walter Collier, Travis Collier, Ann Collier, Don Kilday, Miles Maseberg, Matt Thomas, Kent Liebhart, Tim Chancellor, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman.

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

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the April 16, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the April 2, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on April 11, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve all claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	540.55
BRIDGE OF HOPE	MILEAGE	79.10
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	53.61
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	81.36
LECC	REGISTRATION	100.00
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	1.52
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	SERVICES	173.49
U S BANK	EQUIPMENT	217.09

ROAD FUND-

HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	3709.50
NMC	RENTAL	1113.42
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

VISITORS FUND-

JANELLE JENNINGS	SERVICES	360.00
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VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-

VILLAGE OF SENECA	GRANT	300.00
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EXTENSION FUND-

FP MAILING SOLUTIONS	POSTAGE	129.45
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	36.39
HOOKE COUNTY TRIBUNE	PUBLICATION	7.95
MCI	PHONE	75.72
NE ASSOC OF COUNTY EXTENSION	ANNUAL DUES	129.45

LIBRARY FUND-

MARCY ANDERSEN	SUPPLIES	608.02
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AIRPORT FUND-

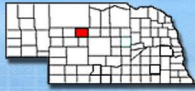
DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	541.33
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Office reports:

Clerk reported that she will be attending the Blue Cross Blue Shield information meeting in North Platte.

Sheriff reported that he still hasn't received a Forest contract; he contacted Tim Buskirk at the Halsey Forest about this. Tim has received their copy and will check to see why the County hasn't received a copy yet. Discussion was also held on various access roads with the Forest. Sheriff also presented his quarterly fee report.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Discussion was held on the recommendation for reappointment to the Planning Commission board for Larry Haake, Jim Swisher, and Jim Purdum. Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the recommendation for reappointment for a term of three years for Larry Haake, Jim Swisher and Jim Purdum. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 10:22 a.m. for all people in attendance to move to the courtroom in the Thomas County Courthouse for adequate seating. Chairman Atkins opened the Special Use Permit hearing for TLC/Wild Horse Confinement Facility at 10:28 a.m.

Matt Thomas of Thomas Livestock explained the application for the hog confinement facility. He also presented the board with a copy of the current tax statement for another hog confinement facility within Thomas County showing the tax dollars that is brought into the county from his facility. Laura Krebsbach of Renewable Harvest and representing land owners of Thomas County presented three letters for evidence. The first letter was Comments submitted to the Thomas County Board of Commissioners on behalf of Dan Kilday from Gregory Barton. Ms. Krebsbach pointed out to the Thomas County Board of Commissioners that by approving this special use permit application that the County would be in violation of their own Zoning Regulations. The second letter was from State of Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality addressed to Travis Collier requesting additional information or correction to original documents. The third letter was from Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality addressed to Nebraska Game & Parks Commission concerning Informal Consultation concerning Threatened and Endangered species. Tim Chancellor of Callaway visited with the board about his experience of owning a hog confinement facility in Custer County and Custer County Zoning Regulations. Miles Maseberg visited with the board about their hog confinement facility north of Thedford. Tim Downing presented the board with an affidavit from Joe Nutter.

Chairman Atkins closed the public hearing at 11:10 a.m. and reconvened the public meeting.

After much discussion the motion was made by Pettit and second by Butler to send the application back to the Thomas County Planning/Zoning board for reconsideration and rehearing after receipt of acceptable management plan by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the purchase of land from the village to build a shop. No action was taken on this at this time until further research can be done.

Discussion was held on the construction contract for library remodeling with Roy Licking. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the contract. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

The brick project on South Seneca has been completed. The road men have some touch up work to be completed on this project. The next project to be completed will be on Daly Lane so that the FEMA audit can be completed by May 2013. The discussion was also held on finding out if the county will be able to have access to purchase gravel from the two companies located in Thomas County for the summer. The N. Seneca Ave project was also discussed. We need to find out if we will have to temporarily close this road while the project is done this early summer or if we will need to hire flaggers.

No public comment at this time.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2013 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 at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 7, 2013

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, Al Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Pat Taylor, Tami Taylor, Judy Johnston, Herb Hall, Lora Hall, Josh Hall, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith and Wayne Licking.

Chairman Atkins 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 25, 2013.

Motion made by Butler and seconded by Pettit to approve the May 7, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the April 16, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on April 25, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

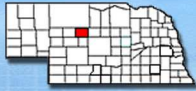
Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	290.94
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1811.33
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	55.04
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3155.89
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	184.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	336.31
COW COUNTRY ANIMAL CLINIC	EQ EXAM	25.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	667.16
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	497.95
GIS WORKSHOP	SERVICES	2612.50
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	75.48
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	181.60
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	364.89
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	MAY LAWN CARE	520.00
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	MILEAGE	142.80
MIPS INC	SERVICES	989.30
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	3.69
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	597.25
NOTARY PUBLIC UNDERWRITERS, INC	RENEWAL	92.50
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	44.12
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	UTILITIES	688.47
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	5290.47
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	125.50
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	SERVICES	204.64
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	267.78
SALARIES		15774.11

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	596.96
ARNOLD PUBLIC SCHOOLS	POSTS	336.00
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS/OIL	538.68
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	28.32
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	375.90
MASEK CONSTRUCTION	EQUIPMENT RENT	1000.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	282.56



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NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	226.75
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	1105.95
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	132.61
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1760.93
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	4.44
SALARIES		6142.08

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.51
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	229.73
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	53.98
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	SERVICES	505.27
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	201.07
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	8.64
FARMERS/RANCHERS COOP	FUEL	207.66
BETHANY JOHNSTON	MEALS	30.65
MODERN METHODS	SERVICES	371.31
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY EXTENSION	DUES	100.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	44.40
SUE PEARMAN	REG/MEAL/MILE	453.27
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	65.94
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	463.59
U S POSTAL SERVICE (CMRS-FP)	POSTAGE	1200.00
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN	INTERNET	600.00
SALARIES		1706.03

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	90.00
MARCY ANDERSEN	POSTAGE/SUPPLIES	416.57
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	106.34
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	19.91
JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD	BOOKS	450.00
MIDAMERICA BOOKS	BOOKS	456.70
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	10.87
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	2.85
PUMPKIN BOOKS	BOOKS	185.60
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	PROPANE	178.22
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	117.96
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	31.92
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	46.12
SALARIES		654.74

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	4.51
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	36.93
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	46.04
SALARIES		273.35

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	102.32
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	453.11
WAITE, MCWHA & HENG	SERVICES	186.00

Office reports:

Sheriff reported that Tim Buskirk will be bringing the new forest contract to the meeting this afternoon. Sheriff also reported that he had a report of a stolen auto gate north of Halsey. The commissioners discussed with the sheriff that it was not stolen that the county had gone in and removed the auto gate since there was no longer a home on the acreage. The county has a policy that auto gates are only placed at a home site.



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Clerk/Assessor reported that TERC has reviewed that values set in the county and has approved. Once their Report is received the office will prepare change of value notices to be mailed out around the end of May. Also reported was that the Assessor is changing computer systems at the end of this month. The system we are currently using will no longer be supported for maintenance in the future. Discussion was also held on purchasing a new copier in the future. Treasurer reported on taxes. She also reported that the donations for the library renovation have been coming in good. Emergency Manager reported on work for the new Region 26 building in Taylor. He also discussed the budget for Region 26.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 10:29 a.m. for Board of Equalization.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

Pat and Tami Taylor shared with the board their concerns about horses in Seneca. The board advised them that the Sheriff and a Veterinarian had checked on the horses. According to statutes the Sheriff is not able to seize the horses. The board advised the Taylors that the Village of Seneca would have to rely on their ordinances at this time.

Discussion was held on the Airport.

Judy Johnston, Herb Hall, Josh Hall and Wayne Licking visited with the board about the condition of Windmill Rd. Different options of repairing and maintaining the road was discussed.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 12:02 p.m.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

Members present were Stan Pettit, Al Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present throughout the afternoon were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Gregg O'Brien of NMC, Pat Taylor, Tami Taylor, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Sheriff Gary Eng, Sue Warner of BCBS, and Tim Buskirk of Halsey National Forest.

The board visited with Gregg O'Brien about the possibility of renting a reclaiming machine. He will be contacting the county with prices for equipment rental.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve Resolution #2013-10, authorizing signature on the Federal Funds Purchase Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between Thomas County and the Nebraska Department of Roads. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Butler. Abstain – Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made Pettit and seconded by Butler to approve the Federal Fund Purchase Program Supplement No. 1 between Thomas County and Nebraska Department of Roads. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Sue Warner of Blue Cross Blue Shield visited with the board about the upcoming renewal. The insurance rates will see a 12% increase for the 2013-2014 policy year.

Tim Buskirk from the Halsey National Forest presented the new law enforcement contract for Thomas County. The 2013 Operating and Financial Plan will be for \$8,900, the breakdown is \$6,255 for patrol activities and \$2,645 for equipment.

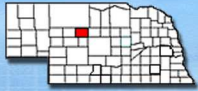
Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the 2013 Law Enforcement contract with USDA Forest Service. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the proposals to update the Thomas County Planning and Zoning Regulations.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve having Arganbright Law Office do the updates to the Thomas County Planning and Zoning Regulations. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment at this time.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Pettit and second by Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

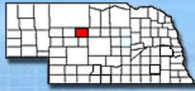
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 21, 2013

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, Norma Butler and Commissioner Atkins arrived at 10:08 a.m. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Bethany Johnston, Sally Vaughn, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman.

Vice-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 9, 2013.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the May 21, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Absent – Atkins. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the May 7, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on May 16, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Atkins. Motion carried.

No visitors.

Correspondence presented. Letter received from the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners requesting support for the relocation of the Veterans Home in North Platte. Chairman Atkins will send a letter supporting this effort. The board also reviewed the rental quote from NMC for a reclaimer and drum roller. Suggestions were made to contact Blaine County and see if they would like to also rent the equipment for the road by Purdum.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to pay the claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
BRIDGE OF HOPE	MILEAGE	79.10
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER	UTILITIES	413.47
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	11.35
MARSHALL & SWIFT	SUPPLIES	384.95
NACO	REGISTRATION	80.00
NATIONAL SHERIFFS' ASSOC	DUES	52.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	138.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	5.60
U S BANK	FUEL/SUPPLIES	132.09

ROAD FUND-

CENTRAL NEBRASKA DIESEL INC	REPAIRS	271.31
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER	UTILITIES	28.16
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	311.50
KEITH HARTMAN	SUPPLIES	21.39
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	4037.60
PEARSON'S INC	REPAIRS	32.20
SECURITY FIRST BANK	GRADER PMYT	1717.14

EXTENSION FUND-

BETHANY JOHNSTON	MEALS	9.03
MCI	PHONE	56.30
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA	COMPUTERS	928.43

AIRPORT FUND-

DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	541.33
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Office reports:

The clerk visited with the board about the budgeted transfer from county general to county roads. The change of value notices will be mailed out the last week of May. The Assessor computer software will be converted on May 29th.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve office report. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Bethany Johnston from Central Sandhills Area Extension Office presented the 2013-2014 budget for their office. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to accept extension budget report. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Sally Vaughn of Region II Human Services presented annual report.

The Blue Cross Blue Shield 2013-2014 annual renewal was discussed. Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to retain the \$1,000 deductible plan for the 2013-2014 plan. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Discussion was held on the Thomas County A.D.A. statement. The Nebraska Department of Roads is requiring the LPA (county) to have a policy in effect to receive any federal funds. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to sign and approve the Thomas County A.D.A. statement. Roll call vote: Ayes - Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion included the recent work on Windmill Road, the drain tubes on S. Seneca Ave on the river hill, North Seneca milling project approximate work date, leasing equipment to complete work in the county, washouts from rain and parking equipment and/or vehicles in the county right of way.

No public comment at this time.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Pettit and second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, June 4, 2013 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 at the office of the Thomas County Clerk.

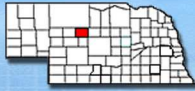
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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 4, 2013

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, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, road personnel Keith Hartman and Thayne Rodocker, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith and Attorney Warren Arganbright.

Chairman Atkins 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 23, 2013.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adopt the June 4, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the May 21, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on May 30, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

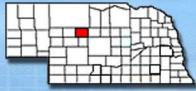
Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to pay all payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

A TO Z LAWN PRO	SERVICES	340.00
AFLAC	INSURANCE	290.94
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1838.07
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3155.89
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	184.89
CAROL CONARD	WEED	4490.30
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	338.64
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	257.00
GARY J. ENG	MEALS	39.48
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	7.18
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	76.84
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	181.60
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	81.36
LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER	VETERANS	1800.00
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	520.00
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	MILEAGE	59.50
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1115.66
NACO	DUES	863.76
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	38.76
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	593.21
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	45.42
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	176.77
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	5348.17
THOMAS COUNTY HIST SOCIETY	ELECTRICITY	2000.00
U S BANK	FUEL	66.65
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	267.78
WINGATE INN	LODGING	159.90
SALARIES		16014.83

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	596.96
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	123.84



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G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	439.60
KEITH HARTMAN	REPAIRS	21.35
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	334.88
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	29.17
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	226.75
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	878.45
RODOCKER,THAYNE	SUPPLIES	48.14
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	3970.52
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1760.93
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	4.44
SALARIES		6142.08

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.51
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	NOTICE	10.16
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	287.90
ROSEMARY ANDERSON	MILEAGE	82.49
BRAHMER'S STEAKHOUSE	MEALS	284.07
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	SERVICES	328.82
MELANIE CLARK	MILEAGE	50.85
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	201.07
FARMERS/RANCHERS COOP	FUEL	62.41
JENNIFER HOLTHUS	MILEAGE	72.32
MIDWEST MAILING	RIBBON	134.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	67.18
DANE PETERSON	MILEAGE	29.38
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	610.34
ADAM ZUTAVERN	MILEAGE	38.42
SALARIES		2069.93

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	90.00
MARCY ANDERSEN	POSTAGE	348.23
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	73.81
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	179.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	2.85
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	117.96
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	32.98
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	46.12
SALARIES		654.74

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	4.02
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	131.07
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	41.02
SALARIES		243.73

AIRPORT FUND-

CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	102.20
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	345.85

Office reports:



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Clerk/Assessor reported that the computer software conversion went well, just a few computer glitches to be worked out. Change of value notices were mailed out on May 30th. The Clerk's workshop will be in North Platte June 12 – 14th. Treasurer reported on taxes.

Sheriff reported on the activity at the forest and working with Logan County.

Emergency Manager reported on the construction of the new Region 26 building and the 2013-2014 budget for Region 26.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 10:46 a.m.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve Resolution #2013-11, transferring funds from the County General fund to the Road fund. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads:

Discussion was held on leasing a loader from Nebraska Machinery. No action taken. Thayne will look into the possibility of renting one locally.

Road projects discussed: Auto gate on the property North Halsey discussed, auto gate will be replaced once home is established and as time permits on loader use on other road projects. North Seneca Avenue project will begin once weather warms up and the availability of Cherry County to assist on the project. North Purdum Avenue discussed, Lloyd will check with Cherry and Blaine County to see if we could do this project together. Discussion on where to use the millings stockpiled at L & L Gravel site, suggested locations where South Seneca, South Railroad St., Windmill Road and curbs for the North Seneca Avenue.

Attorney Warren Arganbright visited with the board about the Pre-Trial Diversion program and the opportunity to take this class online.

No public comment.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

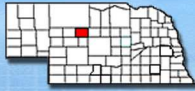
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 18, 2013

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, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Lemoyne Dailey – SORC representative, and road personnel Thayne Rodocker. Chairman Atkins 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 June 6, 2013.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adopt the June 18, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the June 4, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on June 13, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to pay claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

ALAMAR UNIFORMS	UNIFORMS	449.84
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	211.53
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	17.24
FREY'S HEATING AND AIR	SERVICES	220.08
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEALS	90.14
LIGHT & SIREN	SHERIFF SUPPLIES	264.58
LIGHT AND SIREN	SHERIFF SUPPLIES	264.57
NACO	REGISTRATION	100.00
SANDHILLS DIST HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	2305.64
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	SERVICES	752.09

ROAD FUND-

HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	884.74
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	296.10
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULT	SERVICES	493.45
NMC	REPAIRS	333.28
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	4377.46

EXTENSION FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	94.31
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	9.02
GRAINGER	SUPPLIES	297.70
HODGES CONOCO INC	MAY FUEL	42.73
HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE	PRINTING	7.53
MCI	PHONE	56.21

LIBRARY FUND-

BOW GLASS, LLC	WINDOWS/DOOR	11740.00
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DEBT SERVICE FUND-

SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	29989.29
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AIRPORT FUND-

DEPT OF AERONAUTICS	PAYMENT	541.33
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Office reports:



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Clerk reported on the workshop she attended in North Platte last week.

Sheriff reported on a 3 wheeler that was abandoned at the Halsey Forest. He also reported that the Judge had awarded the 2008 Audi car to the county to be auctioned. The funds raised from the sale of this car minus any fees will be divided between the three school districts in the county.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve office reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The board and county attorney reviewed the Engagement letter with Don Wilson. Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to authorize Chairman Atkins to sign the Engagement Letter with Don Wilson. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The NIRMA property insurance was reviewed. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to keep the deductibles the same for the 2013-2014 billing year. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Lemoyne Dailey visited with the board about the upcoming SORC race in Halsey on August 8th. Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to close the Halsey-Purdum road for the SORC race on August 8th from 8:00 a.m. till the end of the race. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried. The mail will be delivered on the route prior to closing the road.

Road projects discussed:

Washouts are being repaired across the county; first to be fixed will be roads with high traffic. The discussion was held on finding flaggers for the N. Seneca Ave project. The county will also need to find a tractor to help on this project.

Discussion was held on road personnel salaries. Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve a 3% increase for the road personnel salaries. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

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

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 1:08 p.m.

Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Attorney Warren Arganbright and Tegwin Egle.

The board discussed parking along the right of ways along roads. The board asked the County Attorney to draft a letter for them to send out to individuals.

Public comment. Tegwin Egle appeared in person and Pat Neben addressed the board by phone on correspondence received from the county attorney.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, July 2, 2013 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 at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 2, 2013

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, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith and Mike Steele.

Chairman Atkins 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 June 20, 2013.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adopt the July 2, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the June 18, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on June 27, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	329.29
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1808.23
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3525.83
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	57.88
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	184.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	343.04
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	362.01
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	375.07
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	39.84
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	181.60
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	81.36
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	JULY LAWCARE	520.00
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	MILEAGE	30.94
MELHAM MEDICAL CENTER	SERVICES	135.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1039.21
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	63.58
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	628.32
NIRMA	INSURANCE	8386.00
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	45.26
QUALITY INN & SUITES	LODGING	145.90
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION	ASSESSMENT	264.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	159.53
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	5535.54
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	270.75
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	322.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	272.78
WEST CENTRAL NEBR AREA AGENCY	ASSESSMENT	356.00
SALARIES		16499.64



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ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	612.34
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	367.04
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	30.39
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	790.04
KEITH HARTMAN	PHONE	85.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	REPAIRS	39.49
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	251.30
NIRMA	INSURANCE	10259.00
THAYNE RODOCKER	PHONE	120.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	836.58
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1891.17
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	9.32
SALARIES		6447.06

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.51
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VISITORS FUND-

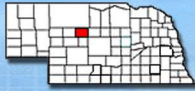
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	10.16
TERRI LICKING	BANNERS	241.46
NE TRAVEL ASSOCIATION	DUES	150.00
PRO PRINTING & GRAPHICS	PRINTING	96.05
LACEY SABATKA	SERVICES	73.10
SANDHILLS JOURNEY SCENIC BY	DUES	525.00
SOWDERS	ADVERTISING	1410.00

EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIRMENT	146.48
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	6.31
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	SERVICES	258.41
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	204.42
FARMERS/RANCHERS COOP	FUEL	195.12
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	44.26
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	118.28
SECURITY FIRST BANK	EMPE FICA	481.43
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	SUBSCRIPTION	25.00
SALARIES		1850.44

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	99.00
AMERITAS GROUP DENTAL & EYE	INSURANCE	29.90
MARCY ANDERSEN	SUPPLIES/TRAIN	259.51
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
COLONIAL SUPPL INSURANCE	INSURANCE	49.50
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	96.53
DIAMOND LAKE BOOK CO	BOOKS	392.72
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	42.95
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	153.74
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	3.83
NIRMA	INSURANCE	806.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	129.43
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	51.34
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	287.50
SALARIES		688.99



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BOOKMOBILE FUND-

NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	4.35
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	81.86
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	44.36
SALARIES		263.48

Office reports:

Clerk reported that the budget workshop will be on August 6th and 1:00 p.m. Fee report for the office was also presented.

Treasurer reported on tax receipts.

Sheriff reported on the Forest and their request for assistance for the 4th of July weekend.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 10:33 a.m. for the Board of Equalization meeting.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the Subgrant Agreement for Child Support Enforcement Services. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

The road personnel are waiting for Cherry County road crew to start the road work repair on North Seneca Ave.

The road personnel were reminded about the tire amnesty the Village of Thedford is sponsoring the week of July 8 – 12.

The board also discussed classifications of the roads in Thomas County for maintenance purposes. The clerk will send out information for the board to review for the July 16th meeting.

No public comment at this time.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, July 16, 2013 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 at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 16, 2013

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 were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, Treasurer Judy Taylor and road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman.

Chairman Atkins 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 July 4, 2013.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adopt the July 16, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the July 2, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on July 11, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	31.65
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	52.97
HODGES CONOCO INC	SHERIFF FUEL	491.25
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	CELL PHONE	34.80
MARSHALL & SWIFT	SUPPLIES	544.20
MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIP	REPAIR	40.00
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	207.46
REGION 26	1ST QTR ASSESS	5994.07
THOMAS CO CLK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	18.86

ROAD FUND-

HODGES CONOCO INC	ROAD FUEL	481.51
SECURITY FIRST BANK	GRADER PMYT	1717.14

EXTENSION FUND-

GRANT COUNTY NEWS	NOTICE	7.99
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	36.26
MCI	PHONE	60.26
SUE PEARMAN	MEALS	19.42

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	112.45
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Office reports:

Clerk reported on the scheduled hearing for the Planning/Zoning Commission to be held on Tuesday, August 6th at 4:30 p.m. in the courtroom.

Treasurer reported on the delinquent taxes outstanding. The Airport Authority finances have been turned over to the Airport Authority Board as suggested by the auditor effective June 30, 2013.

Sheriff presented his office fee report. He also informed the board that he will be attending a meeting Thursday presented by NIRMA on pursuits.



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Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The Assessor presented the agreement with GIS Workshop to provide oblique imagery for Thomas County. The decision was made not pursue this agreement at this time.

The board reviewed the Engagement letter with McChesney Martin and Sagehorn to provide budget assistance for the County in the sum of \$5,000. Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to approve the engagement letter with McChesney Martin and Sagehorn. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

The N. Seneca Ave project was discussed. The road looks good just a few projects need completed on the road. Thomas County Commissioners would like to thank the Cherry County Commissioners and employees for their assistance in completing this project.

The county still has around 3200 ton of millings to use on a road this summer. The clerk will contact Lloyd Smith about additional millings, renting a reclaimer and oil distributor to put tack oil on the road. The Clerk is also supposed to find out from Lloyd Smith the procedures that were used by Cherry County to classify their roads for maintenance.

No public comment.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

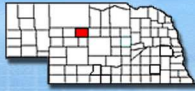
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on August 6, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., in the commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 6, 2013

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 were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Jeff Moore, John Gosnell, Jerry Linn, Ken Clausen, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Keith Hartman and Thayne Rodocker, Tim Buskirk and Attorney Warren Arganbright.

Chairman Atkins 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 July 25, 2013.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adopt the August 6, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the July 16, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on July 25, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

A TO Z LAWN PRO	SERVICES	400.00
AFLAC	INSURANCE	364.65
AMERITAS	EMPE RET	1860.36
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	78.75
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3525.83
CALLS GARAGE INC	CAR WASH	5.00
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	184.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	349.39
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	533.41
CUSTER COUNTY CHIEF	NOTICE	15.68
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF	HOUSING	50.00
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	478.67
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	18.99
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	43.13
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	76.84
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	181.60
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	77.70
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	81.36
LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK	DIST #9 PROB	488.47
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	AUGUST CARE	520.00
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	MILEAGE	178.50
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1039.21
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	61.86
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	628.82
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	46.00
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	45.55
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	1ST QTR	488.51
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	319.19
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	JULY ASSESS	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	5524.51
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	14.32
THOMAS CO TREASURER	EXPENSES	3895.85
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	615.28
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	272.78
SALARIES		16522.55



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ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	EMPE RET	612.34
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES	29.26
CHERRY COUNTY ROAD DEPT	FUEL	2759.46
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	28.00
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	174.60
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	3915.68
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	253.54
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	1467.26
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	531.76
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1938.23
TED TAYLOR	MILEAGE	50.85
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	9.32
SALARIES		6728.79

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.50
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	10.16
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	EMPE RET	168.45
ROSEMARY ANDERSON	MILEAGE	101.70
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	77.46
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	SERVICES	307.35
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	204.38
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	6.35
JUNE EMERSON	MILEAGE	84.75
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	110.38
FARMERS/RANCHERS COOP	FUEL	94.28
GRANT COUNTY NEWS	SUBSCRIPTION	25.00
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	98.92
JENNIFER HOLTHUS	MILEAGE	96.05
HOOKE COUNTY TRIBUNE	NOTICE	5.02
MCI	PHONE	96.61
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	51.86
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	58.47
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	508.51
U S BANK	SUPPLIES	79.99
UNL EXTENSION OF SIOUX COUNTY	REGISTRATION	70.00
SALARIES		1847.66

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	EMPE RET	138.37
MARCY ANDERSEN	BOOKS/SUPPLIES	861.74
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	49.50
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	132.50
HALLS ELECTRIC & SERVICES	SERVICES	3711.50
KOROY CONSTRUCTION	SERVICES	12650.00
TERRI LICKING	BANNERS	50.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	198.95
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	15.49
NEBRASKA LIBRARY COMMISSION	OVERDRIVE SUB.	500.00
PENWORTHY COMPANY	BOOKS	390.92
PUMPKIN BOOKS	BOOKS	172.51
RECOGNITION UNLIMITED	REMODEL	852.40
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	232.82
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	70.39
SALARIES		1029.48

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

HALLS ELECTRIC & SERVICES	SERVICES	120.83
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	2.40



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SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	77.02
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	24.48
SALARIES		145.36

Office reports:

Clerk presented office fee report to commissioners. Clerk also reminded the board about the budget workshop to be held this afternoon.

Treasurer reported that she is working on obtaining a title for the 2008 Audi. She also reported that she had hired Andrea Thomas full time in her office.

Sheriff reported that his official release to come back to work will be on August 7th. The Audi is listed with Big Iron and will be auctioned off in mid-September.

Emergency Manager reported that a federal plane is located in Valentine to be used for fires if needed. He also visited with the board about designating individuals to sign an emergency declaration during a disaster. The walls are going up on the new Region 26 building in Taylor.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the \$62,901.57 forest reserve money that can be used for schools or a traveling library. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve designating the forest reserve money for the traveling library. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins opened the public hearing for liquor license for Romsog Enterprises, LLC “dba” Hodges Conoco” at 10:30 a.m.

Jeff Moore and John Gosnell visited with the board about their application for liquor license.

Chairman Atkins closed public hearing at 10:48 a.m.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to recommend approval of liquor license for Romsog Enterprises, LLC “dba” Hodges Conoco”. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The assessor presented the 3 year Plan of Assessment to the board. Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the 3 Year Plan of Assessment. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Tim Buskirk of the Halsey National Forest visited with the board about projects at the forest.

Roads discussion:

Jerry Linn and Ken Clausen visited with the board about the cemetery road. The road personnel informed the board about the Freightliner mechanical problems and the 163 H grader problems. Both pieces of equipment are in North Platte for repairs. Discussion was held on obtaining bids for armor coating, Lloyd will obtain bids. The board visited with Lloyd about how Cherry County developed maintenance plans for their roads. Attorney Warren Arganbright and Lloyd Smith will work together about planning a public meeting to develop maintenance plans for Thomas County Roads. The board also visited with Attorney Warren Arganbright about what needs to be done about parking along county roads. Warren will draft a Resolution for the Commissioners to review.

Discussion was also held on several trees on the courthouse lawn that need removed.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 12:14 p.m.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 1:12 p.m.

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

The fiscal year 2013-2014 budget was reviewed during the workshop.

No public comment.



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Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

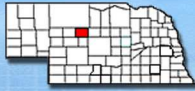
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on August 20, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 20, 2013

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, Sheriff Gary Eng, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Gregg O'Brien of NMC, Wayne Licking, Ron Starzec and Tom Pillen of NPPD.

Chairman Atkins 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 August 6, 2013.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adopt the August 20, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the August 6, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on August 15, 2013.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

ACME TOUCH PRINTING	SUPPLIES	138.00
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	390.58
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES	88.99
CARS	SHERIFF	48.68
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	483.39
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	10.56
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	PHONE	34.88
THOMAS CO CLERK OF DIST COURT	CR13-1	35.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	359.42
U S BANK	EQUIPMENT	169.99

ROAD FUND-

CARS	SUPPLIES	59.76
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	28.16
NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC	REPAIRS	1380.43
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

EXTENSION FUND-

BETHANY JOHNSTON	MILEAGE	102.60
NEBRASKA STATE 4-H CAMP	MEETING	339.50

LIBRARY FUND-

FREY'S HEATING AND AIR	SERVICES	1171.11
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Office reports:

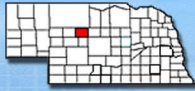
Clerk reported that she had checked into any FEMA assistance from the recent washed out roads due to rain. No FEMA dollars are available for these storms. The Clerk's office will be accepting applications/resumes until September 6th for the full time deputy clerk position. The West Central District meeting will be September 26th in Ogallala. The Assessors workshop will be August 26th – 29th in Kearney. The Assessor also reported that the Railroad valuations had an increase of \$451,659 from last year and the public service companies had a decrease in valuation of \$296,846 from last year.

Treasurer reported that taxes are due by the end of August. She also reported questions on whether the DMV will continue to be in Thomas County, no more information is available at this time.

Sheriff reported that he is working on a new pursuit policy for the county. He also reported that bidding on Big Iron for the Audi begins August 28th. He also reported that there may be a possibility that the forest service will no longer have a law enforcement officer on staff. If this does happen the forest contract with Thomas County for law enforcement will need to increase. He also reported that he will be placing the Special Hearing Notice in the Southeast corner of Thomas County on Thursday.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all office reports. Roll call vote: Ayes - Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The 2013 county office inventories were reviewed. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the inventories. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Surplus property reviewed: Library – 2 metal typewriter stands, Lexmark printer, HP Desk Jet Printer, Wooden Computer desk, 3 lounge chairs, 2 office chairs.

Treasurer – HP printer, HP fax machine, and gray office chair. Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the surplus of these items. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve Resolution #2013-12, forest reserve money to be used on bookmobile and roads rather than divided between the school districts. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

Eickhoff Lane, Hardy Lane, Windmill Road, and South Seneca were discussed. The armor coat bids will be opened at the September 3rd meeting for the N. Seneca Ave. The clerk will also contact and advertise for bids on trucking to haul millings. Lloyd will check on getting an extension for the state millings.

Gregg O'Brien visited with the board about loaders.

Ron Starzec and Tom Pillen talked with the board about the new transmission line project.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. 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, September 3, 2013 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 at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 3, 2013

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 throughout the morning were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Kari Haake, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, and road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman.

Chairman Atkins stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on August 22, 2013.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adopt the September 3, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the August 20, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on August 29, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Visitor Kari Haake visited with the board about the Ford Miller benefit on September 21st.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

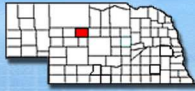
Claims and payroll were reviewed. Discussion was held on the sheriff's office time card. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	326.17
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1937.01
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3525.83
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	184.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	348.07
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	688.36
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	20.66
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	177.65
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	181.60
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	81.36
LINDEMEIER & ASSOCIATES	CR13-1	1217.67
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	SEPT. CARE	520.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	724.38
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	45.55
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	199.16
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	6135.44
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	39.55
THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF	JV13-1	68.73
U S BANK	FUEL SHERIFF	64.11
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	272.78
SALARIES		17911.10

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	612.34
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES	58.06



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NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	251.30
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	2173.45
NMC	REPAIRS	2030.60
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL/REPAIRS	1059.85
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1891.17
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	9.32
SALARIES		6447.06

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.11
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	10.55
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	161.12
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	53.26
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	SERVICE	307.35
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	204.38
GRANT COUNTY NEWS	NOTICE	5.64
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	48.81
SUE PEARMAN	MILEAGE/MEAL	76.62
PRO PRINTING & GRAPHICS	SUPPLIES	352.97
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	505.77
SALARIES		1899.34

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	141.75
MARCY ANDERSEN	BOOKS	294.09
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	86.76
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	49.50
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	154.89
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	140.22
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	25.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	17.28
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	249.15
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	124.69
SALARIES		1104.84

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

CARS	REPAIRS	26.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	3.84
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	54.38
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	39.16
SALARIES		232.58

Office and fee reports:

Clerk reported on applicants for the deputy clerk position. Advised employees who have dental insurance that their premium will increase by \$5.50 per month starting October 1st.

Sheriff reported on weekend activities and the status of the Audi on Big Iron auction.

Emergency Manager reported on the new Region 26 building in Taylor.



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Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all fee and office reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads:

Three bids were received for trucking. They were Rodocker Construction, L & L Gravel and Richard Licking. After a review of the bids, motion was made by Pettit and second by Butler to accept the bid of L & L Gravel for 2 trucks and 1 loader operator at \$125.00 per hour and 1 truck from Rodocker Construction at \$117.50 per hour. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve Resolution #2013-13, adopting no parking and limited parking zones on County roads and County right of ways. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on Resolution 2013-14, designating roads in Thomas County for maintenance. Tabled.

Road projects discussed were auto gates and millings. The road personnel discussed with the board the 924 Cat loader that they have been using this last week from Nebraska Machinery.

Clerk is to check on financing with Security First Bank and Caterpillar for the purchase of a new loader.

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

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 1:26 p.m.

Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman, County Attorney Warren Arganbright and Sheriff Gary Eng.

The board opened bids for the Armor Coat project on North Seneca Ave. Two bids were received, one from Topkote Inc. and Figgins Construction. After a review of the bids, motion was made by Pettit and second by Butler to accept the bid from Topkote Inc. at .337/square yard. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Topkote projects the project should be done sometime between the dates of September 12th – September 20th.

Chairman Atkins then stated that the meeting would move to the courtroom to allow for additional seating for the Public hearing.

Chairman Atkins opened the public hearing at 2:00 p.m.

Thomas County Clerk stated for evidence items listed:

Exhibit #1 – Letter from Thomas County Planning Commission recommending approval of TLC-Wildhorse special use permit.

Exhibit #2 – Proof of publication from Custer County Chief.

Exhibit #3 – Proof of publication from Thomas County Herald.

Exhibit #4 – Proof of publication from Stapleton Enterprise.

Exhibit #5 & #6 – Photo evidence of placement of notice at site, submitted by Thomas County Sheriff.

Exhibit #7 – Certified mail tracking receipt of Donalee & David Dietrich

Exhibit #8 – Certified mail receipt from Blaine County Board of Commissioners

Exhibit #9 – Certified mail receipt from Walter & Rebecca Collier

Exhibit #10 – Certified mail receipt from Zutavern Ranch

Exhibit #11 – Certified mail receipt from Logan County Board of Commissioners

Exhibit #12 – Certified mail receipt from Tim & Bonnie Downing

Exhibit #13 – Certified mail receipt from Kilday Ranch Co.

Those speaking during the public hearing were Matt Thomas, Laura Krebsbach, Tim Downing, Rex Lanka, Don Kilday, John Sennett and Tim Chancellor.

Laura Krebsbach presented for evidence the following items:



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Exhibit #14 – Gosper County Nebraska Road Cost Report from Terry Spence

Exhibit #15 – Institute of Science, Technology and Public Policy on Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations

Exhibit #16 – Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations and Proximate Property Values by John A. Kirlpatrick

Exhibit #17 – Appraisal Implications of Proximity to Feedlots by John A. Kilpatrick

John Sennett presented for evidence the following items:

Exhibit #18 – Jack Rabbit-Thomas County

Exhibit #19 – East Deer Creek –Custer County

Exhibit #20 – Tvilling-Custer County

Exhibit #21 – Big Valley-Custer County

There being no other persons wishing to testify or present evidence, Atkins closed the hearing at 2:42 p.m.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting for a break. Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 2:48 p.m. with Atkins, Pettit and Butler present.

The Board of Commissioners examined the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality materials and further reviewed, with the county attorney, the Thomas County Zoning Regulations 6.4 Livestock Confinement facilities/operations as follows:

6.4(1) Distance requirements. The distance requirements for this Facility C is a 1 ½ mile set back. The only home noted to be less than the 1 ½ mile set back is owned by Walter and Rebecca Collier and they have signed a waiver. The County Board finds distance requirements are met.

6.4(2) Management Plan. The management plan has been presented and a letter from NDEQ stating the application has been approved. The County Board finds the management plan acceptable.

6.4(3)(a) Disposal and storage of livestock waste. The animal waste on land within Thomas County is subject to the license requirements and waste disposal requirements of the State of Nebraska. The County Board finds that animal waste disposal plans acceptable.

6.4(3)(b) No livestock waste disposal shall be closer than thirteen hundred twenty feet to neighbor's residence. The County Boards finds that there are no residences closer than 1320 feet to the waste disposal at this location.

6.4(3)(d) Paunch waste disposal. The County Board finds that no paunch disposal waste will occur at this site.

No 6.4(4) exists in Thomas County Zoning Regulations.

6.4 (5) Special use permits granted under this section shall be subject to review by the County Board if not in compliance with the NDEQ regulations. Applicant will be required to keep current any information required for license with NDEQ and zoning regulations.

6.4(6) Any other requirement deemed appropriate and necessary by the County Board for the protection of the general health, safety and welfare of the residents of Thomas County. The Count Board reviewed all issues and discussed composting. The County Boards finds no other requirements necessary or appropriate for the general health, safety and welfare of the residents of Thomas County.

The Board of Commissioners reviewed, with the county attorney, the Thomas County Zoning Regulations Article 6 Special Use Permit 6.2 Procedures guidelines as follows: (underlined portions as stated from Thomas County Zoning Regulations)

6.2(1) Be compatible with and similar to the use permitted in the district. The Board of Commissioners finds that this district is an AG (agricultural) district and the proposed activity is compatible with such district. Another hog confinement is already situated in Thomas County and located in an AG district.

6.2(2) Not be a matter which should require re-zoning of the property. The Board of Commissioners finds that no re-zoning of this district is required.



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6.2(3) Not be detrimental to adjacent property. The Board of Commissioners found no evidence. The evidence received indicates that values of adjacent properties have increased surrounding the existing hog confinement facility in Thomas County.

6.2(4) Not tend to depreciate the value of surrounding structures or property. The Board of Commissioners received evidence indicating that values of adjacent properties have increased surrounding the existing hog confinement facility in Thomas County. The County Board finds that the proposed use will not depreciate the value of surrounding structures or property.

6.2(5) Be compatible with the stated intended use of the district. The Board of Commissioners finds that this district is zoned for agriculture. The proposed is found to be compatible.

6.2(6) Not change the character of the district. The Board of Commissioners found no evidence that the proposed activity will change the character of the district.

6.2(7) Be in accordance with the Comprehensive Plan. The Board of Commissioners finds the proposed activity to be in accordance with the Thomas County Comprehensive Plan.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to grant approval for the special use permit for TLC-Wildhorse as it meets all Thomas County Zoning Regulations. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment. None.

Motion made by Butler and second by Atkins to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

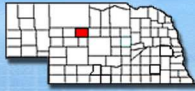
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the commissioner meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 17, 2013

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 throughout the meeting were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Dawn Mallory, and Jeanine Miller of Pioneer Memorial Rest Home, John Webster-Murphy Tractor, Brandy Soucie, Josh Hall, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman, Judy Johnston, Hannah Daly, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, and Gregg O'Brien-NMC.

Chairman Atkins 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 September 5, 2013.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adopt the September 17, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the September 3, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on September 12, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

A TO Z LAWN PRO	SERVICES	390.00
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	120.71
CUSTER COUNTY CHIEF	NOTICE	15.68
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	8.99
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	15.98
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	601.26
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	233.85
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	CELL PHONE	34.86
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1039.21
NE CLERKS OF DIST COURT ASSOC	DUES	25.00
POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	46.00
SECRETARY OF STATE	REGISTRATION	40.00
THOMAS CO CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	CLAIM #11	107.00
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT	REGISTRATION	80.00

ROAD FUND-

GCR TIRE CENTERS	TIRES	2786.60
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	3474.40
L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL/TRUCK	14266.02
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

EXTENSION FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	719.69
FARMERS/RANCHERS COOP	FUEL	157.90
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	83.15
HOLIDAY INN MIDTOWN	LODGING	77.00
BETHANY JOHNSTON	MILEAGE	75.71
MCI	PHONE	85.53
SUE PEARMAN	MEALS	10.00



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SALLY SAWYER	MEALS	25.75
LIBRARY FUND-		
GALEN NEBEN	CONCRETE WORK	3000.00
NELSEN FURNITURE	FLOORING	8253.01
BOOKMOBILE FUND-		
MILE HIGH BUS SALES	BOOKMOBILE	22500.00

Office reports:

Clerk reported that she has received 6 applications for the full time position in her office. Interviews will be starting this week. Assessor gave a preliminary estimate on the increase of valuation for agriculture land next year to be possibly around 27%.

Sheriff reported that he will be attending the NIRMA conference in Kearney for his education hours. He also reported on an inmate in Lincoln County. He also reported that the Audi sale will be final on September 18th.

Emergency Manager reported on the Halsey and Seneca towers. He also reported on the progress on the Region 26 building in Taylor.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve all office reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Dawn Mallory and Jeanine Miller gave an annual report of Pioneer Memorial Rest Home. The commissioners thanked Dawn for all of her hard work.

Discussion was held on the bids for trucking the millings. A clarification was needed on L & L Gravel bid. Motion made by Butler and seconded by Pettit to pay L & L gravel an additional \$4 per hour for the hours submitted by Rodocker Construction to cover the cost of the loader operator. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays –none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the purchase of a new used bookmobile for the library. The board reviewed the sample of vehicles provided by the Thomas County Library Board and librarian. Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to purchase the 2007 Ford E-450 from Mile High Bus Sales, the cost breakdown of \$19,500 for the bus and \$3,000 for the handicap lift. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

Josh Hall, Hannah Daly, Judy Johnston and Brandy Soucie shared their concerns with the board about the condition of Windmill Rd and River Rd.

Lloyd Smith reported that Topkote would be here this Thursday to do the armor coating on the millings laid this summer.

John Webster visited with the board about trying out a loader from Murphy Tractor. He will contact Thayne this week to make arrangements.

Gregg O' Brien visited with the board about the upcoming bids for loaders.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 11:59 a.m.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

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

Chairman Atkins opened the budget hearing at 1:20 p.m.

The board reviewed the 2013-2014 Thomas County budget.

Chairman Atkins closed the budget hearing at 1:39 p.m.



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Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve Resolution #2013-15, for 1% increase for 2012-2013 funds subject to limitation. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adopt the 2013-2014 Thomas County Budget. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays –none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins opened the Property Tax Request Hearing at 1:42 p.m.

Chairman Atkins closed the Property Tax Request Hearing at 1:58 p.m.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve Resolution #2013-16, setting the 2013-2014 property tax request for the current year to be a different amount than the property tax request for the prior year. The 2013-2014 property tax request at \$784,339. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

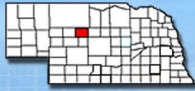
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, October 1, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of 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, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting

October 1, 2013

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 meeting were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Keith Hartman and Thayne Rodocker, John Webster-Murphy Tractor, Gregg O'Brien-NMC and Roger Perkins-Fairbanks International. Chairman Atkins 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 September 19, 2013.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adopt the October 1, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the September 17, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on September 26, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes - Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	326.17
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1937.21
B & D OFFICE CITY	COPIER	8000.00
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3525.83
CARS	REPAIRS/SHERIFF	64.63
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	184.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	590.15
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	438.18
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	558.91
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	11.15
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	133.34
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	181.60
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	40.84
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	81.36
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	OCT LAWN CARE	520.00
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER	MILEAGE SHERIF	88.06
MCCHESNY MARTIN SAGEHORN, PC	SERVICES	5000.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	11.98
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	722.19
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICES	45.55
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	290.99
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	6117.67
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	92.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	708.32
U S BANK	REGISTRATION	90.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	322.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	272.78
SALARIES		17873.43

ROAD FUND-



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AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	612.34
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES/REPAIR	686.19
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	28.16
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	3672.00
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	1075.09
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	1354.16
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	7.19
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	251.30
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	1851.30
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	1342.20
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1891.17
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	2660.32
TOPKOTE, INC	SERVICES	44304.94
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	9.32
SALARIES		6447.06

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.11
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	10.16
KCNI-AM/KBBN-FM	ADVERTISING	672.00
NEBRASKA LIFE	ADVERTISING	800.00
SANDHILLS JOURNEY SCENIC BYWAY	DUES	250.00
SOWDERS	ADVERTISING	470.00
THOMAS CO AG SOCIETY	GRANT	417.75
WESTERN NEBR TOURISM COALITION	DUES	332.85

EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	153.80
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	SERVICES	307.35
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	204.38
FP MAILING SOLUTIONS	POSTAGE	128.85
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	99.62
BETHANY JOHNSTON	MEALS	38.17
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	46.26
SUE PEARMAN	MILEAGE	243.26
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	126.70
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	488.43
SALARIES		1844.00

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	135.00
MARCY ANDERSEN	BOOKS/POSTAGE	238.41
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	49.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	60.67
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	176.83
FOLLETT SOFTWARE CO	BOOKS	240.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	30.29
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	15.26
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	232.42
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	144.41
SALARIES		1048.79

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

JOSEPHINE MORRIS	MILE/TOLL	44.93
NEAL LUMBER CO	DOOR OPENER	251.12
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	5.28



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SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	68.87
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	53.84
SALARIES		319.80

Office reports:

Clerk reported on the costs for the North Seneca Ave project to be \$57,906.19, the breakdown for expenses on this project is: Cherry County(fuel) -\$2,759.46, G-3(gravel) -\$1,080, L&L Gravel(gravel) 1,726.76, Northern Materials (crush millings) -\$30,187.50 and Topkote(armor coating)-\$22,152.47. The South Seneca Ave project cost as of today is \$68,653.73, the breakdown for expenses on this project is: L&L Gravel(trucking and loader operator)-\$10,812.50, L&L Gravel(gravel)-\$1,726.76, G-3(mud rock)\$2,592.00, Topkote(armor coating)\$22,152.47, State of Nebraska(millings)\$32,000. One outstanding bill for Rodocker Construction for trucking has not been submitted yet. Clerk also discussed that the remaining millings at L&L Gravel need moved within the next 2 to 3 weeks. The State of Nebraska has given permission to place these millings on the right of way in Section 9, Township 22, Range 28, to be used on Windmill Road next season when the weather is seasonable to lay millings.

Clerk also presented the fee report for the office.

Treasurer reported on the tax receipts.

Emergency Manager reported on the Region 26 building construction. He also reported on the progress with Viaero to place equipment on their tower in Halsey.

Sheriff reported the Audi sold online for \$30,250. He also presented the board with his quarterly fee report.

Motion made by Butler second by Pettit to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

The board discussed the need of placing rock on the east side of South Seneca Ave where the millings were laid. The board also visited with Lloyd about seeing if the State of Nebraska would allow the county to purchase the concrete pile south of the viaduct in Thedford. Auto gates were discussed and the road personnel will have to get some pads from Broken Bow.

Chairman Atkins opened bids for the new loader at 11:30 p.m. Three different companies were present with bids. Murphy Tractor submitted a bid for a 524K loader for \$131,000, Fairbanks International submitted a bid for a 621F for \$126,788 and a 621XR for \$138,500, and NMC presented a bid for a 924K for \$137,600.

NMC and Murphy Tractor had previously brought up loaders for the road personnel to try. Chairman Atkins asked to table the decision on purchasing the loader until Fairbanks International had a chance to bring up a loader to try. The board will meet again on October 15th at 11:30 a.m. to decide on the purchase of a new loader.

No public comment at this time.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2013 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 at 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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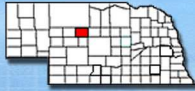


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Alan Atkins, Chair

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
October 15, 2013

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 were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Gregg O'Brien-NMC, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Pam Reed, Bob Broweliet, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Sheriff Gary Eng, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Keith Hartman and Thayne Rodocker, John Webster-Murphy Tractor and Roger Perkins-Fairbanks International.

Chairman Atkins 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 3, 2013.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adopt the October 15, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the October 1, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on October 10, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. Emergency Manager Kevin Hood will fill out the Hazard Mitigation survey for the Upper Loup.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	59.65
BRIDGE OF HOPE	MILEAGE	79.10
GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE/MEALS	222.94
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	48.93
LINCOLN COUNTY DETENT CENTER	INMATE COSTS	1050.00
LINDEMEIER & ASSOCIATES	ATTORNEY FEES	322.94
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1039.21
NATIONAL ASSOC OF COUNTIES	DUES	450.00
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	208.30
QUILL	SUPPLIES	88.42
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	488.51
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION	ASSESSMENT	264.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	EXTENSION 2ND	4383.80
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	817.35
THOMAS COUNTY HERALD	RENEWAL	25.00
WINGATE INN	LODGING	161.90

ROAD FUND-

JEFFRES SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	1166.06
NEBRASKA DEPART OF ROADS	HALSEY NORTH	968.43
NMC	REPAIRS	1333.15
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14

EXTENSION FUND-

BRAHMER'S STEAKHOUSE	MEALS	96.91
JUNE EMERSON	MILEAGE	50.85
FARMERS/RANCHERS COOP	FUEL	69.91
GRANT COUNTY NEWS	NOTICE	5.64
JENNIFER HOLTHUS	MILEAGE	73.45
MCI	PHONE	73.89
SUE PEARMAN	MEALS	17.89
SALLY SAWYER	MILEAGE/MEALS	177.68
WINGATE INN	LODGING	173.90
ADAM ZUTAVERN	MILEAGE	38.42

LIBRARY FUND-

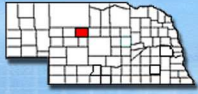
MARCY ANDERSEN	SUPPLIES	803.94
MENARD'S	SUPPLIES	87.99

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

MARCY ANDERSEN	BOOKS/POSTAGE	48.72
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Office reports:

Clerk reported that the application period for the NIRMA Assist grant is open until November 1st. The board asked the clerk to submit a grant application for the Simple Sign Software for road sign inventory and mapping. Clerk also reported that the office position has been filled and the new employee will begin November 4th. Emergency Manager reported on the paging link in Halsey and the Region 26 building update.



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Sheriff reported that \$1,762.66 cost for the county on the Audi has been submitted to Judge Birch for his approval. The Sheriff also reported that he has moved the prisoner of the county from Lincoln County to Custer County due to a lower cost per day of housing inmates. He also reported that at the NIRMA conference that he learned that they would prefer that we hold our prisoners in a county that also belongs to NIRMA.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve office reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Pam Reed and Bob Broweleit of the Thomas County Visitors Committee met with the board to discuss the agreement with Maly Marketing to perform website maintenance. County Attorney Arganbright asked for a few additions to the agreement. First recommended change was to add a completion date, second recommended change was to have copyright on all materials with a hold harmless clause. Pam Reed will visit with Maly Marketing to have changes made and then this will be discussed at the next meeting on November 4th.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 10:39 a.m. for Board of Equalization meeting.

Chairman Atkins reconvened the meeting at 10:47 a.m.

The Thomas County Visitors committee recommended Tricia Schukei as a replacement for Melanie Coffman's position on the board. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve the recommendation from the Thomas County Visitors Committee to appoint Tricia Schukei to the board as a replacement for Melanie Coffman. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

The board discussed various options to put material on the side of the new millings. The decision was to use the road material from L & L Gravel for this project. Pam Reed visited with the board about the excess sand on River Road. It was decided that we would probably need to remove some excess sand and put some material in the area talked about.

Patching on West Purdum Ave was discussed. Cold mix will be used to address some areas that need patching. Auto gate forms are needed for Hanna Lane, Ayres Lane and home site driveway off Mulligan Lane. The county currently has the forms for two of the three listed projects, the other forms will need to be picked up in Broken Bow.

The board again reviewed the bids for a new loader. Motion made by Atkins and second by Pettit to accept the bid from Murphy Tractor and purchase the 524K John Deere Loader for \$131,000. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried. The loader will not be ready for delivery until closer to the end of the year.

Financing for the loader was discussed. John Deere credit has a rate of 2.5% for 48, 60, 72 or 84 months. The board will also visit with Security First Bank and find out the rates they would have available.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

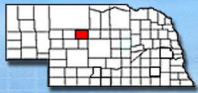
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 5, 2013

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, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Wayne Rodocker, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman, and Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith.

Chairman Atkins 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 24, 2013.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adopt the November 5, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the October 15, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on October 24, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

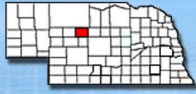
Correspondence presented. NACO Voter Registration form was presented and the decision to have Alan Atkins as the Primary Voter and Stan Pettit as alternate for the December convention in Omaha.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to pay payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays –none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	326.17
ALAMAR UNIFORMS	SHERIFF	71.87
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	1946.94
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	39.13
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3525.83
CARS	SERVICE	66.99
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS	INSURANCE	184.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	420.36
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	357.49
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	355.87
DASH MEDICAL GLOVES	SUPPLIES	62.90
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	58.90
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	239.56
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	203.60
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	264.18
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	81.36
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	NOV CARE	520.00
MIDWEST STORAGE SOL, INC	SHELVES	2648.89
MIPS INC	SERVICE	1109.92
NEAL LUMBER CO	SHERIFF	6.98
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	723.42
PRESTO X LLC	SERVICE	45.34
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	5994.07
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	536.69
SANDHILLS DIST HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	TAXES	6144.23
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	5.60
THOMAS CO TREASURER	FEES	55.78
U S BANK	SUPPLIES	350.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	272.78
SALARIES		17979.91

ROAD FUND-

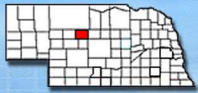


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AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	612.34
BARCO MUNICIPAL PROD INC	ROAD SIGNS	137.48
CALLS GARAGE INC	SUPPLIES	47.26
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	28.16
G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	1040.00
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	1271.94
INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	REPAIRS	85.43
L & L GRAVEL	GRAVEL	2378.91
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	8.99
NEBRASKA DEPT OF ROADS	MILLINGS	32000.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	251.30
NEBRASKA SAFETY CENTER	REGISTRATIONS	120.00
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	EXPENSES	1754.04
NMC	REPAIRS	190.01
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	4159.47
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1891.17
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	9.32
SALARIES		6447.06
PRE-TRIAL FUND-		
VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.11
VISITORS FUND-		
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	10.55
EXTENSION FUND-		
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	168.45
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	SERVICES	307.35
COLUMBIA INSURANCE GROUP	INSURANCE	400.00
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	204.56
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	124.26
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	51.86
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	39.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	513.11
TEHRANI'S MOTOR	2013 ESCAPE	26400.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	TITLE	10.00
SALARIES		1875.37
LIBRARY FUND-		
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	135.00
MARCY ANDERSEN	SUPPLIES	503.83
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS	INSURANCE	49.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	133.33
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITES	95.39
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	14.66
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	PROPANE	251.82
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	226.30
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	164.64
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITES	287.50
SALARIES		1012.45
BOOKMOBILE FUND-		
MARCY ANDERSEN	SHELVES	1235.02
LOOKOUT BOOKS	BOOKS	290.16
MIDAMERICA BOOKS	BOOKS	216.35
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	5.34
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	110.12
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	54.48
THOMAS CO TREASURER	TITLE	20.00
SALARIES		323.42

Office reports:



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Clerk reported that Murphy Tractor had contacted her and that the new loader should be in around mid-December. The Zoning/Planning commission will be having a meeting with Kurt Arganbright on Tuesday, November 19th at 4:00 p.m. to review the Thomas County Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations.

Treasurer reported on delinquent taxes. She also reported on the proceeds from the sale of the Audi. Once the Judge has approved the expenses on the Audi the Treasurer will disburse expense checks and the remainder of the money will be divided between the three school districts in Thomas County.

Emergency Manager reported on the progress of the new Region 26 building in Taylor, NE. He also informed the board about the hearings with NEMA and on Statewide Communications.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all office and fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Atkins opened the hearing for the Swix Properties, LLC “dba Hodges” liquor application at 10:30 a.m.

Chairman Atkins closed the hearing at 10:44 a.m.

No public comments were received in regards to the liquor application permit. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to recommend approval of the liquor license for Swix Properties LLC “dba Hodges”. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No snow removal bids were received. Commissioners instructed Clerk to advertise again.

Maly Marketing Agreement with the Thomas County Visitors committee was reviewed. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to accept the Maly Marketing Agreement. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

Wayne Rodocker visited with the board about an auto-gate located on Ryman Rd. He asked to either move the location of the auto-gate or remove it. Commissioner Atkins will repair and dig out the auto-gate so that it can stay located in the same spot. Wayne also discussed with the board about gravel and railroad rock for his road. No action taken.

Road personnel discussed with the board about the projects they have been working on.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

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

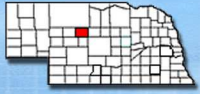
Members present were Stan Pettit, Alan Atkins, and Norma Butler. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Keith Hartman and Thayne Rodocker, and Tim Buskirk-Halsey National Forest.

Tim Buskirk visited with the board about projects happening now at the Forest and also upcoming projects for the next year.

The board then held a road maintenance classification work session. During this meeting the board drafted a maintenance policy for roads in Thomas County. The board will have a draft map hanging at the Thomas County Courthouse with their proposed ideas. A public hearing will be scheduled for a later date to make final decisions. Make sure to watch the paper for future notices.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:29 p.m. The new regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, November 19, 2013 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 at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

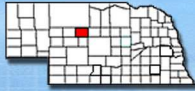


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Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 19, 2013

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 Alan Atkins and Norma Butler. Commissioner Pettit arrived at 10:15 a.m. Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Sheriff Gary Eng, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Jack Johnston, Tom Licking, and road personnel Thayne Rodocker. Chairman Atkins 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 7, 2013.

Motion made by Butler and second by Atkins to adopt the November 19, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Atkins to approve the November 5, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on November 14, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Absent – Pettit. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes - Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

A TO Z LAWN PRO	SERVICES	340.00
AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	148.75
BRIDGE OF HOPE	MILEAGE	79.10
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	11.14
LINCOLN COUNTY DET CENTER	INMATE	500.00
NORTH PLATTE NEBR PHYSICIANS	SERVICES	72.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	1.32
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	SERVICES	360.43

ROAD FUND-

ALLARD PRECAST	FORMS	780.00
HARSH MERCANTILE	SUPPLIES	25.99
PAULSEN INC	FORMS	840.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14
WESTERN ENGINEERING	COLD MIX	2465.10

VISITORS FUND-

MALY MARKETING	SERVICES	1042.50
NEBRASKA STATE 4-H CAMP	ADVERTISING	250.00
SOWDERS	ADVERTISING	470.00

EXTENSION FUND-

B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	27.70
CALLS GARAGE INC	SERVICES	46.50
COLUMBIA INSURANCE GROUP	INSURANCE	163.00
FARMERS/RANCHERS COOP	FUEL	112.70
HASLER	SERVICES	700.00
MCI	PHONE	62.98

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

KOROY CONSTRUCTION	SERVICES	970.00
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Office reports:

Clerk reported on fax machine problems in the courthouse. A new fax machine will be installed on the copier that was just purchased. Discussion was held on health insurance for county employees.

Assessor asked the opinion of the board about sending postcards out for personal property returns that would let the taxpayer file their returns online. The decision was made to send out paper returns and also let the taxpayer know of the new ability to file returns online and see if anyone is interested in this option.

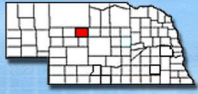
Sheriff reported that the District Court Judge allowed the county to keep \$1,762.66 from the sale of the Audi to recoup expenses paid out. He also reported that his office needs a new computer and he has contacted Hamilton Communications in North Platte to purchase a new computer, printer and fax for \$1,545.00. He also reported that he is in the process of putting together a new forest contract for next year.

Emergency Manager reported on the Region 26 building. He also reported on a meeting in Kearney to discuss the Broadband network and grant.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all office reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion on Elected official's salaries for the 2014-2017 term was tabled until the December 3, 2013 meeting.

The board then reviewed the items listed for surplus. Clerk's office reported a Sharp Calculator, 2 Battery Backups, HP1240 fax machine, HP 3180 fax machine, Panasonic Telephone, Fujitsu Scanner. Treasurer's office reported an HP 1020 fax machine. Sheriff office reported a 2006 Dell Computer, Custodian reported a Eureka Vacuum and the Library reported a 1995 E350 B16 Bookmobile.



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Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to surplus the inventory list presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried. The County will hold a silent auction to sell these items on Tuesday, December 17th. Notice to follow in the Thomas County Herald.

Roads:

Tom Licking visited with the board about T Lane and how to repair some soft spots. Thayne will contact Tom when he is ready to do this.

Jack Johnston visited with the board about hauling some crushed concrete on his hill. Jack will buy the crushed concrete if we would haul a load and spread it out.

Jack will contact road department employees when he is ready for this project.

Other projects discussed were cold mix patching, auto gates and tree trimming during the winter months.

Security First Bank presented information on financing the new loader.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to finance the new John Deere loader with Security First Bank, Thedford, NE for 6 years at 2.50% in the amount of \$131,000. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. 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, December 3, 2013 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 at the office of the Thomas County Clerk. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Alan Atkins, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 3, 2013

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:07 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Stan Pettit and Alan Atkins. Absent – Norma Butler. Motion made by Atkins and second by Pettit to excuse Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Also present were board secretary/Clerk Lorissa Hartman, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, Sheriff Gary Eng, road personnel Thayne Rodocker and Keith Hartman, and County Attorney Warren Arganbright. Chairman Atkins 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 November 21, 2013.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to adopt the December 3, 2013 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to approve the November 19, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on November 28, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

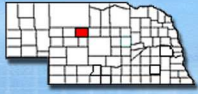
Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to approve all payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	326.17
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2151.39
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	171.58
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	3525.83
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	184.89
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	380.49
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF	SERVICE	18.50
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	421.15
HAMILTON INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INC	COMPUTER	1634.00
HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO	DEF COMP	1527.31
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	203.60
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	256.55
KEVIN HOOD	MILEAGE	81.36
MIPS INC	SERVICE	1039.21
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SERVICE	47.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	11.07
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	816.25
REDFIELD & COMPANY INC	SUPPLIES	254.61
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	414.52
SANDHILLS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	ASSESSMENT	274.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	6880.92
THOMAS CO TREASURER	EXTENSION	3810.30
U S BANK	REGISTRAT	808.89
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	272.78
WORLD DATA CORPORATION	SUBSCRIPTION	110.00
SALARIES		20476.68

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	612.34
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	257.44
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	28.00
L & L GRAVEL	LOADER	127.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	139.13
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	251.30



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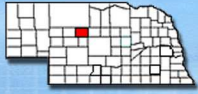
NIORARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS	SERVICES	598.45
DARREN RINESTINE	SERVICES	150.00
RODOCKER CONST CO INC	SERVICES	3730.63
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	1170.28
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	1891.17
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	9.32
SALARIES		6447.06
PRE-TRIAL FUND-		
VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	52.17
VISITORS FUND-		
TERRI LICKING	2013 CONF	190.00
VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-		
TERRI LICKING	OPEN FLAG	500.00
EXTENSION FUND-		
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	153.80
CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	SERVICES	281.77
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	204.56
CUSTER COUNTY CHIEF	SUBSCRIPTION	37.00
BETHANY JOHNSTON	EXPENSES	70.57
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	46.26
SUE PEARMAN	EXPENSES	11.61
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY	FUEL	50.64
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	477.53
SALARIES		1778.20
LIBRARY FUND-		
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	135.00
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	49.50
CONSOLIDATED	PHONE	130.11
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	113.71
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	54.64
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	13.70
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	216.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	55038.01
SALARIES		954.31
LIBRARY GRANT FUND-		
MARCY ANDERSEN	COMPUTER	622.43
BOOKMOBILE FUND-		
MARCY ANDERSEN	BOOKS	160.27
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	135.62
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	5.46
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	55.68
SALARIES		330.70

Office reports:

Sheriff reported on the progress of the new forest contract. The Gator purchased with Forest Reserve money has been paid off. Possible new equipment to purchase is a roof and partial windshield, and pump motor for the Gator.

Clerk/Assessor reported on possible increases to home sites/acreage site values and lot value increase in Halsey and Thedford. Dave Young and Ted Taylor will be going out in the next month to pick up new buildings/homes or improvements to be placed on the tax roll. Also mentioned was the possibility of a Jury Trial in Thomas County in June 2014. Office fee report also presented.

Emergency Manager reported on the progress on the Region 26 building.



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Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to approve all office and fee reports as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Pettit. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on elected official's salaries for 2015-2018. The board decided to table setting salaries and benefits until they attend the NACO convention in Omaha and hear any news about health insurance with Blue Cross Blue Shield. Item tabled until December 17th meeting.

Roads discussion:

Discussed road projects completed. The new loader should be in for the December 17th meeting.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Atkins to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Absent – Butler. Motion carried.

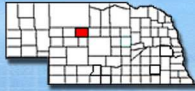
Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at 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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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 17, 2013

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 10:07 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, Attorney Warren Arganbright, Sheriff Gary Eng, Treasurer Judy Taylor, Emergency Manager Kevin Hood, road personnel Keith Hartman, John Webster-Murphy Tractor, and BJ Thomas-Security First Bank.

Chairman Atkins 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 December 5, 2013.

Motion to adopt the December 17th agenda made by Pettit and second by Butler. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve the December 3, 2013 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on December 12, 2013. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve all claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AS CENTRAL SERVICES	SERVICES	139.80
B & D OFFICE CITY	SUPPLIES	62.18
BRIDGE OF HOPE	MILEAGE	79.10
COW COUNTRY ANIMAL	SERVICES	50.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	388.04
EWOLDTS GROCERY	SUPPLIES	45.02
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	314.09
NACO	DUES	863.76
POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	92.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	2305.64
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	278.00
THOMAS CO ATTORNEY	SERVICES	201.31

ROAD FUND-

G-3 ENTERPRISES	GRAVEL	1740.00
HODGES CONOCO INC	FUEL	498.71
NEBRASKA PETERBILT FORD	REPAIRS	54.92
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1717.14
U S BANK	SUPPLIES	36.57

EXTENSION FUND-

FARMERS/RANCHERS COOP	FUEL	125.53
BETHANY JOHNSTON	MILEAGE	64.08
MCI	PHONE	64.37
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	24.97
SUE PEARMAN	LODGING	145.57

Office reports:

The Clerk reported on the NACO convention held in Omaha last week and the health insurance options discussed. The Assessor's office has been out picking up new homes/buildings. Frey's Heating and Air was here to replace the furnace exhaust on the roof. The Clerk also reported on a request to place a temporary cell phone tower on the Verizon site north of Thedford.

Treasurer reported that the 2013 tax statements were mailed this week.

Sheriff submitted his new forest contract to the Federal Government for approval.

Emergency Manager stated he will be attending meetings in Kearney this week on the Statewide communication system.

Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve all office reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the future of the Sandhills District Health Department. No action was taken at this time. The board will wait for more information from Lincoln on how to proceed.

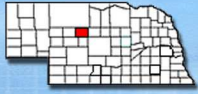
Motion made by Butler and second by Pettit to approve tax roll correction 2013-1 for parcel 860015130. Roll call vote: Ayes – Pettit, Atkins, Butler. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on setting salaries for elected officials 2015-2018 terms. Motion made by Butler and seconded by Pettit to approve Resolution 2013-17 setting the salaries for elected official's term 2015-2018. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

2015 Salaries: Treasurer salary - \$38,124; Clerk/Assessor salary - \$40,124; Sheriff salary - \$40,531; Attorney salary - \$25,332; Commissioner salary - \$9,246; Board Chair salary - \$10,005. A 3% cost of living increase will be added for 2016, 2017 and 2018. Along with the salaries the Treasurer, Clerk and Sheriff will receive full family health insurance. The Attorney and Board members will receive ¾ family health insurance.

Discussion was held on the Forest Reserve payment for the Secure Rural Schools Act. Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to approve 93% for Title I payments and 7% for Title III payments. Roll call vote: Ayes – Atkins, Butler, Pettit. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:



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Tree trimming projects were discussed. Letters advising landowners of trees that will be trimmed will be sent out, or a board member may contact the landowner.

John Webster of Murphy Tractor went over information/warranty of the new loader.

BJ Thomas of Security First Bank went over the loan for the loader.

Discussion on the Road Maintenance Policy was tabled to the next meeting.

Motion made by Pettit and second by Butler to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Butler, Pettit, Atkins. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

The next organizational/regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. with the regular meeting to begin 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 at 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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