



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
January 3, 2019

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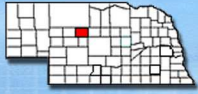
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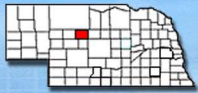
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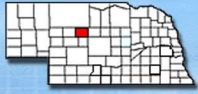
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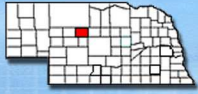
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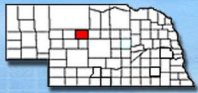
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Road discussion:

Gregg O'Brien of NMC and John Webster of Murphy Tractor met with the board to discuss options for new motor graders. Both companies will bring up machines to test once there is a warm spell in the weather.

John presented the board with a map and information on the airport land that the county would like to lease. Lloyd will check with the airport layout plan to see if the area selected will work and he will also contact the NDOT for highway access once the Airport Authority has agreed to the location. After everything is worked out then we will need to have a survey to get a legal description for the lease.

Lloyd presented the letter from the Corp of engineers approving the county plan to put rip rap along the bank. He also reported that he is still trying to obtain another quote on the crushing of the material on Frank Warren's.

Phil Kuenle and Dan Wadas representing the Village of Thedford spoke to the board about increasing the solid waste rates by 12%. They visited with the board about mechanical repairs to the trash truck and the expense of caring for the transfer station. The Village Board will get the new rates to the County Attorney for him to draw up an addendum to the Interlocal agreement. This item will be addressed at the February 5th meeting.

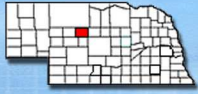
Other road discussion included: Jim reported that he had several landowners agreeing to open their clay pits to the county down along the Dismal River on S Seneca. Pam asked that Ed fill in the corners along Purdum Road by Atkins and Swisher.

Discussion was held on purchasing a used belly dump trailer for the county. Jim and the road men looked at an older trailer in Hyannis for \$15,000. Another 2009 trailer was found in Council Bluffs for \$25,000. The Clerk's office had searched on the internet for comparable trailers to meet the informal bid process.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve the purchase of the 2009 Trail King trailer from Jim Hawk Trailer Sales in Council Bluffs Iowa pending finance arrangements. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. The Corp of Engineer letter was presented during the road portion of the meeting. No other correspondence presented.

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UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	121.00
RR DONNELLEY RECEIVABLES INC	SUPPLIES	47.80
SANDHILLS WEED MANAGEMENT AREA	DUES	200.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	0.21
THOMAS CO TREASURER	3RD QTR EXTEN	5391.10
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	COPIES/POSTAGE	6.71

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NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	3491.46
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68
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EXTENSION FUND-

HAAKE FIVE, LLC	FUEL	76.51
BETHANY JOHNSTON	MEALS	16.18
KWIK STOP	FUEL	28.92
MCI	PHONE	46.78
SUE PEARMAN	MILEAGE	94.94
4H SHOWWORKS BILLING	SERVICES	175.00

Office reports:

Treasurer presented the financial report for her office.

Sheriff presented his quarterly fee report.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the Annual Weed report compiled by Carol Conard-Thomas County Weed Superintendent. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays –none. Motion carried.

Public comment. Don Wilson introduced himself to the board. He is here currently auditing Fiscal year 2017-2018 for the county.

No other public comment.

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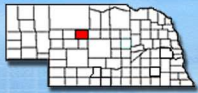
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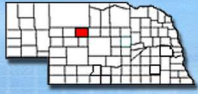
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BJ Thomas of Security First Bank met with the board about the loan for the 2009 Trail King trailer. He asked the board for a letter of opinion from the County Attorney stating that the County has the ability to borrow money. The board directed the County Clerk to have the County Attorney send this letter of opinion to Security First Bank.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to finance the purchase of the 2009 Trail King belly dump trailer with Security First Bank at the rate of 4.15% for two years. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith presented three informal quotes for crushing of the material stockpiled at Frank Warren's. Northern Plains-\$6/ton. Northern Materials-\$8.25/ton. Nitro-\$16/ton. No action was taken on the informal quotes. This will be discussed again on the February 19th meeting. Commissioner Purdum was to visit with Frank & Carolyn Warren about how quickly they needed this material moved.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to extend the lease with Frank & Carolyn Warren. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Letter from Rick Carr was read by the board regarding Carr Lane. No action taken at this time.

Road projects:

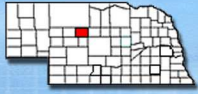
The road men reported that all of the GPS units have been installed in the equipment. They also reported on the construction of auto gates. The concrete forms will need to be picked up from Valentine. Road employee Hartman will contact Wayne Licking about installation of the auto gate once weather allows.

Commissioner Seeley stated that it was important that the road men have a list of projects that they intend to complete at every board meeting.

Commissioner Purdum discussed repair options for the 163H grader versus purchasing a new grader. The board agreed to have NMC come up and diagnosis the issue with the 163H grader.

The airport land was discussed. This will be added to the February 19th meeting agenda.

Commissioner Purdum stated that he would drive down to Council Bluffs to pick up the new belly dump trailer for just his cost of diesel fuel. The board accepted this gracious offer.



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Correspondence presented. Statements of Financial Interest were given to the board members to fill out and return to the Clerk's office on the February 19th meeting. West Central District meeting on March 28th was discussed. Commissioner Moody and Purdum will be attending along with the County Clerk and possibly the County Treasurer. Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

MUEHLENKAMP DESIGN LLC	SUPPLIES	302.57
AFLAC	INSURANCE	223.17
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2500.80
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	6304.70
BRIDGE OF HOPE	MILEAGE	220.74
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	350.62
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CAROL CONARD	EXPENSES	2405.35
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	350.38
CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES	FURNITURE	2160.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	557.51
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	484.13
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	430.48
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	15.89
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	34.80
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1312.65
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS	REGISTRATION	70.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1246.34
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER REGION 26	POSTAGE	20.00
	SUPPLIES	28.50
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL/PROPANE	700.82
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	8214.75
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	12.15
THOMAS CO TREASURER	DUES	860.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		27176.24

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	760.03
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1983.14
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	295.32
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	142.20
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	15.99
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	221.30
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	362.36
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	1018.58
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1690.95
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		6576.49

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

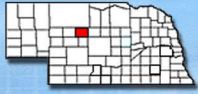
VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	67.86
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	12.07
MALY MARKETING	SERVICES	240.00
POLAR BEAR TANK RACE	SPONSORSHIP	500.00
SANDHILLS JOURNEY SCENIC BYWAY	MEMBERSHIP	575.00

EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	225.81
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	63.11
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	312.21
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	10.16
AMY GOODRICH	MILEAGE	66.12
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40



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LACY HEBBERT	MILEAGE	97.44
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	178.00
JAY JENKINS	MILEAGE	69.60
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	116.65
SUE PEARMAN	EXPENSES	174.25
SANDHILLS CORRAL	MEALS	132.02
SALLY SAWYER	FURNITURE	199.99
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	889.19
SALARIES		3240.85

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	148.45
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	115.66
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	115.96
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	104.52
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
KIM MILLS	MILEAGE	165.44
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	26.74
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	PROPANE	448.10
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	280.58
SALARIES		1037.05

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	3.29
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	108.58
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	58.64
SALARIES		350.57

Office/fee reports:

County Clerk reported that Marcy would be attending a Clerk's of the District Court Workshop in Kearney on February 6th and 7th. The commercial reappraisal work will be completed by the March 19th deadline. Fee report for the month of January was presented to the board.

County Treasurer presented the board with the list of delinquent taxes that will be advertised for the March 4th tax sale. The January financial report was also presented to the board.

County Sheriff reported on R-Line issues. He informed the board that he would like to actively search for a new deputy to replace Deputy Hoover that moved to Oklahoma. He also presented some information on a Cyber Security seminars. Motion made Moody and second by Purdum to approve all office/fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Seeley recessed the regular meeting to enter into Board of Equalization at 11:30 a.m.

Chairman Seeley reconvened the regular meeting at 11:35 a.m.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to sign the Management Representation Letter for Don Wilson for the Audit of Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

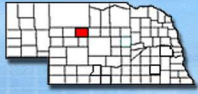
Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to sign the new Interlocal Agreement with the Village of Thedford for Solid Waste. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

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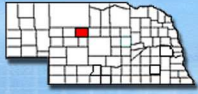


Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
February 19, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, road employee Ed Schukei, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Sheriff Gary Eng, Roger Licking, Twyla Witt, Jack Johnston, Judy Rath and Tyler Rath.

Chairman Seeley 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 February 7, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the February 19, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the February 5, 2019 meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on February 14, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Chairman Seeley would like a list of surplus equipment from the Road department so that it can be placed on the March 5th agenda.

Commissioner Purdum said that he could run to Council Bluffs either Thursday or Friday of this week to pick up the belly dump trailer. Chairman Seeley stated that Jason Fischer with Hawk Trailer contacted him and said they could deliver for \$2.20 per mile one way.

Roger Licking discussed with the board about shouldering on the millings that were laid last year. He also talked about getting a sign to place on the road about a blind driveway and possibly something to say “slow down”. County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith will check with NIRMA about required signage. Roger also visited with the board about Heritage Road. The board acknowledged that it was on the 1 & 6 year road plan for work.

Chairman Seeley opened the 1 & 6 year road plan hearing at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Purdum presented the board with an estimate to repair the 163H grader. The board talked with Brett Brown from NMC about the possibility of renting a grader while ours was in the shop being repaired. Brett returned a phone call later in the meeting advising the board that it would cost them \$2,618 per week or \$7,855 for 4 weeks to rent a grader. The board opted to not rent a grader at this time and to just use the two loaders and 140H for snow removal if needed. The board did ask that NMC come up and pick up the 163H grader for repairs.

Jack Johnston came in and talked with the board about the land the county would like to use at the airport. County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith will meet with Lex Zimmerman, NDOT about access off of Highway 83 before the March 5th meeting.

The board reviewed the three informal bids for crushing material. This will be on the March 5th meeting agenda for approval/disapproval.

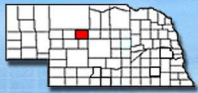
Commissioner Moody asked Lloyd if he had ever received anything back from NPPD about the heavy road use agreement for work on the R Line. He had not heard anything from them and said he would check with Tim Pellan on the agreement.

Chairman Seeley closed the 1 & 6 year road plan hearing at 10:19 a.m.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2019-4 for the One and Six Year Road Plan. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented from Sandhills RC & D and Central Sandhills Area Extension Office. No action taken.

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



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GENERAL FUND-

MARCY ANDERSEN	MILEAGE/MEALS	172.54
ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	SERVICE	425.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	67.98
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	24.27
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	209.90
MIPS INC	W2'S	56.40
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS	DUES	75.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	STAMPS	50.00
SANDHILLS R C & D	DUES	50.00
TAX VALUATION INC	SERVICES	5000.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	SERVICES	2.47
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT	REGISTRATION	90.00

ROAD FUND-

NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC	REPAIRS	87.92
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68
FRANK AND CAROLYN WARREN	LEASE	300.00

EXTENSION FUND-

GRANT COUNTY NEWS	NOTICE	7.99
HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE	NOTICE	5.18
KWIK STOP	FUEL	66.55
MCI	PHONE	48.01
SALLY SAWYER	SOFTWARE	79.00

Office reports:

Clerk reported that the Planning Commission meeting with Hanna:Keelan had been postponed due to the winter storm across the state today and this evening. The US Cellular permit application needs to be refiled with a corrected legal description. The new hearing will be tentatively set for March 15th. Tax Valuation Inc. will be back with the next two weeks to help set depreciation tables for the commercial properties and new land tables for the Highway 2 Commercial corridor.

Sheriff reported that he had advertised for a full time deputy sheriff. The board discussed budget concerns and will make a final decision on the March 19th meeting. Sheriff Eng reported that he had contacted federal surplus about an extra patrol vehicle, at this time Thomas County is 6th on the waiting list. The forest contract was discussed, and he informed the board that his request for equipment on the forest contract was a drone. He has since talked with the forest representative and changed the equipment request to a Taser. They also will provide a supply of expired Taser rounds to be used for training purposes. Sheriff Eng also reported on the investigation of the 3 fires within the forest that are suspected arson.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2019-5, transferring \$2,000 from miscellaneous general to veteran’s service fund. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

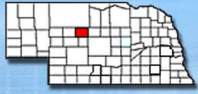
Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve Charron Lawn Care service for fertilizing the courthouse lawn for the 2019 growing season. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No meeting with Hanna:Keelan due to weather conditions.

Public comment. Twyla Witt gave a visitors committee report and reminded everyone that public notices can be texted to her to be placed on the marquee sign.

No other public comment.

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



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Meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

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John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 5, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody, and Jim Purdum. Also present throughout the morning were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Sheriff Gary Eng, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, and Julie Bain – U.S. Forest Service.

Chairman Seeley 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 February 21, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the March 5, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the February 19, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on February 28, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none.

Motion carried.

Sheriff Gary Eng discussed with the board about hiring a full time deputy for the County. His budget for the remaining fiscal year will cover adding this employee. Preliminary numbers for fiscal year 2019-2020 were reviewed. Board members and Sheriff Eng reviewed several options and discussed pros and cons of hiring a full time deputy.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to give Sheriff Eng the authority to hire a full time deputy as discussed.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum. Nays – Seeley. Motion carried.

Road projects:

Mud rock from L & L Gravel was discussed. The county would like to get 1, 500 ton of mud rock if available.

Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith reported that he had heard back from NIRMA about suggested signage by Roger Lickings driveway. The road men will order and install. Lloyd also reported that he had talked with NPPD about the heavy road use agreement. They will be getting back in touch with the county. Lloyd also reported that he had met with Lex Zimmerman with NDOT about highway access to the land the county would like to lease from the airport authority. Lloyd will finalize work to get the access permit. Jim Purdum will talk with Jack Johnston about the lease.

Quotes for crushing the material located at Frank Warren's were reviewed. Northern Plains - \$6.50/ton, Northern Materials - \$8.25/ton and Nitro - \$16/ton.

Chairman Seeley opened the one bid received for lawn care.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to accept the bid from Jerry Linn for lawn care in the amount of \$540 per month. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to accept the quote from Northern Plains at \$6.50/ton to crush the material. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

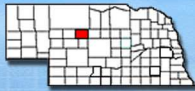
Julie Bain visited with the board about making the railroad crossing at the forest and the Village of Halsey silent. No action taken.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to surplus the following equipment: Load King Belly dump trailer, 1949 Butler Water Tanker Trailer, 1995 Ford F150 Pickup, 6,000 gallon tanker, 275 gallon tank of 2 wheel trailer, 300 gallon tank on 2 wheel trailer, 38 foot aluminum trailer, 300 gallon free stand, dolly wheel jeep (semi dolly) and 2-300 gallon tanks on stand in Seneca

Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Clerk was asked to contact Auction Time and Big Iron to list for sale.

Quotes were received from Murphy Tractor and NMC for plow to be put on John Deere loader. Board decided to put this on the list when working on the 2019-2020 fiscal year budget.



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Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to accept the Audit report for fiscal year July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018.
Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The Audit report is on file in the Thomas County Clerk’s office.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	223.17
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2483.89
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	6304.70
CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS	REPAIRS	56.03
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	350.62
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	346.62
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	863.20
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	492.52
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	9.27
FREY’S HEATING AND AIR COND INC	SERVICES	316.48
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	76.56
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	34.80
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1064.38
NEBRASKA PLANNING & ZONING ASSOC	REGISTRATION	190.00
QUILL	SUPPLIES	58.56
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	224.70
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7085.36
U S BANK	VACUMN	187.79
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
DONALD D WILSON	AUDIT	6500.00
SALARIES		23332.59

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	644.87
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1983.14
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	747.45
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	191.48
MENARD’S	SUPPLIES	17.14
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	175.13
NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC	REPAIRS	390.92
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	3962.52
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	1531.52
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	487.21
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1429.95
SHAFFER COMMUNICATIONS INC	SERVICES	630.00
SYNCB/AMAZON	MEDICAL SUPPLY	210.06
U S BANK	REPAIRS	59.26
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		5827.81

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	67.86
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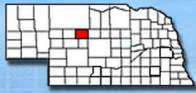
VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	12.84
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	236.23
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	63.11
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	312.21
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	178.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	120.85
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	870.76
SALARIES		3046.53

LIBRARY FUND-



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AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	141.10
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	115.66
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	116.13
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	111.26
DEMCO INC	BOOKS	27.93
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	6.49
FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS, INC.	SERVICES	727.50
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	24.30
PEARSON'S INC	SUPPLIES	17.57
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	253.03
SYNCB/AMAZON	OFFICE SUPPLY	36.88
SALARIES		920.27

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	3.55
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	95.87
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	77.56
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	84.63
SALARIES		464.45

Office reports:

Clerk reported that one FEMA project has been completed and the county will be receiving \$17,978.51 by the end of March to help with the costs from the rain storms last summer.

The county needs to fill 2 replacements on the Board of Adjustments.

Assessor reported that AG land value will remain the same as last year. Dwellings in Thomas County will be increasing 5% in value due to the home sales that have occurred in the county the last 2 years. An appraisal of Villages will need to be conducted this fall to meet the six year inspection cycle.

Clerk presented fee report for the office for the month of February. The Clerk's office will be ordering a new computer. Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve office/fee reports. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Seeley stated that Carol Conard had contacted him and informed him that he will be resigning the position of County Weed Superintendent effective May 1st.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

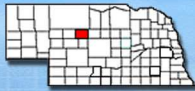
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Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the March 19, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the March 5, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on March 14, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion included:

Washouts on Daly Lane and other roads throughout the county. Thomas County did not have the damage like other counties and did not ask for FEMA assistance. Future projects discussed were the shouldering on Windmill Rd and having Tom Licking assist/teach bringing up the road on Heritage Road and possibly on Florea Lane.

The board would also like to look into the option of establishing a contract agreement for heavy equipment/grader usage to assist on some of the county roads. The Clerk will talk with the County Attorney about establishing an agreement.

The board would like to have the road employees compile a plan every two weeks on projects they need to work on. Discussion was had on which company (Auction Time or Big Iron) to use to sell the surplus equipment. Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to use Auction Time to sell the surplus equipment on. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Jack Johnston from the Thomas County Airport Authority met with the board about the land the county would like to lease. Jack asked if one of the board members could attend the Airport Board meeting on Monday, March 25th at 7:00 p.m. John Seeley will attend and the Clerk will check with Lloyd Smith if he is available to attend that evening.

Correspondence presented. NEMA/FEMA paperwork from June 2018 storms have been completed, just waiting on the payout of funds now.

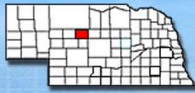
Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to pay claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	SERVICES	80.00
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	488.33
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	58.67
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	11.29
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	259.90
MIPS INC	SERVICES	3025.94
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	58.00
TAX VALUATION INC	REAPPRAISAL	5000.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	COPIES/POSTAGE	3.60

ROAD FUND-

BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC	SIGNS	172.53
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	171.48
K C ELECTRIC	SERVICES	435.69
NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC	REPAIRS	2.48
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	31135.31



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SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68
THOMAS CO TREASURER	TITLE	24.00

EXTENSION FUND-

EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	247.43
KWIK STOP	FUEL	51.63
MAILFINANCE	POSTAGE	134.85
MCI	PHONE	47.44

Office reports:

Treasurer office presented financial report for February along with the delinquent tax list.

Assessor/Clerk office reported that Abstract had been filed on March 12, 2019. Ag land values will remain the same as last year. All dwellings throughout the county will increase 5%. Commercial property appraisal and new depreciation table was completed. A new land category was established on the Highway 2 corridor, with four different land corridors established. This was implemented due to the two vacant commercial land sales along this corridor.

New computer installed in the clerk's office.

Clerk also presented an email from Chad Svoboda from Aurora Ne asking if the board would like to look at health insurance options. The board decided to stay with NACO.

Sheriff had no report.

Commissioner Moody reported that she had attended a Planning/Zoning workshop in Kearney the first week of March. She will have a report at the next meeting.

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

Chairman Seeley opened the public hearing for the special use permit application from Site Acquisition Solutions Inc/US Cellular at 10:45 a.m.

Clerk read correspondence she had received from landowners.

Discussion was held on the problems with the lights on the tower in the evening blinking bright white.

Chairman Seeley closed the public hearing at 11:06 a.m.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to table until the April 16th meeting and direct the county attorney to contact Site Acquisitions Inc/US Cellular about the issue with the lights. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to appoint Jim Swisher to the Thomas County Board of Adjustments. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried. One additional member needs appointed to this board.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the SDL liquor application for the Thedford Volunteer Fire Department for June 15, 2019 at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public Comment. Twyla Witt asked about any FEMA disaster.

Discussion was also held on Hanna:Keelan and the work with the Planning Commission.

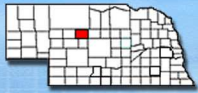
Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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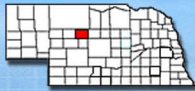


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John B Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 2, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. Members present were John Seeley, Jim Purdum and Pam Moody. Also present were board secretary/Thomas County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, Thomas County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Twyla Witt, Virgil Uhrmacher, Jack Johnston, Vaughn Blauvelt and Thomas County Sheriff Gary Eng.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the April 2, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the March 19, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on March 28, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

West Purdum Rd, N Seneca Ave, Windmill and S Maple St were discussed. These roads will need some cold mix patching and possible overlay. Lloyd will check with the State to see if the county can purchase patching material. Keith will check with the company that purchased Western Engineering to see if they will have cold mix for sale.

Ed will take the concrete from Virgil Uhrmacher’s place out to the Werner Bridge this week.

The 163H is back from NMC and after plowing snow Saturday there is a code that showed up again. Jim Purdum will contact NMC to ask what this code means.

Roading of equipment and mileage on pickup was discussed. The board asked Ed to try to cut down on some of the miles he puts on the equipment and pickup.

Maintenance routes were discussed.

The road personnel presented work they will be planning to get done in the next two weeks.

Lloyd reported that they will be completing the survey for the airport land lease, hopefully by the end of this week.

Lloyd will also check on the crushing contract that was awarded to Northern Plains LLC, to see if they will be coming yet this spring.

Jim Purdum will check with Triple G about availability of material.

Jack Johnston asked the board for some material for Riverside Rd. He also visited with the board about help from the county installing auto gates on the airport property. They will have to get forms prepared for the 16-foot auto gate. The County Attorney prepared an application for additional work to individual use roads for the board to review. This will be discussed again at the April 16th meeting.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to pay the Purdum Trucking claim of \$442.00. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nay – none. Abstain – Purdum. Motion carried.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	223.17
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2528.99
AXON ENTERPRISE, LLC	AMMUNITION	1893.00
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	6304.70
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	350.62
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	364.81
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	482.68
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF	INMATE HOUSING	350.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT	320.79



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EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	32.75
BLAINE T. GILLETT, LLC	ATTORNEY FEES	895.50
HANNA:KEELAN ASSOCIATES, P.C.	COMP PLAN 1287	4500.00
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	137.46
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	34.80
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1241.83
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY TREASURERS	WORKSHOP	125.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	5.39
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1067.56
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	286.58
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	4TH QTR	566.32
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	8322.58
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL/PROPANE	1038.06
SAWYER MOUNTAIN GUNS & AMMO	AMMO	60.98
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7161.43
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	14.70
U S BANK	FUEL	55.90
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	406.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		23712.23

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	685.29
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1983.14
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	714.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	18.20
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	190.69
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	391.71
JAMES L PURDUM & TAMMY J PURDUM	FUEL/BELLYDUMP	442.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	2121.54
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1519.43
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	145.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		6093.37

PRETRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	67.86
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VISITORS FUND-

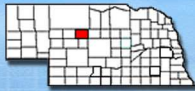
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	12.84
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	246.65
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	63.11
COLUMBIA INSURANCE GROUP INC	INSURANCE	2590.00
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	312.21
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	178.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	126.33
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	895.56
SALARIES		3111.81

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	151.17
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	115.66
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	116.13
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	111.93
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	COPIER	450.35
FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS, INC.	SOFTWARE	199.00
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
KIM MILLS	POSTAGE	8.32
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	27.05
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	PROPANE	591.64
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	271.32
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	WATER & SEWER	142.50



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SALARIES		960.16
BOOKMOBILE FUND-		
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	2.16
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	114.78
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	43.58
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	54.77
SALARIES		260.96

Office reports:

Monthly fee report for the Clerk's office was presented. A gland spreadsheet for the West Central District was handed out to the board members.

Sheriff reported that the Deputy Sheriff was sworn in on April 1, 2019. He also reported that the forest contract has not been returned to the county yet. The board reviewed a possible used explorer from Federal Surplus.

Commissioner Moody reported on the West Central District meeting that she and Commissioner Purdum attended last week. Commissioner Moody also reported on the Planning/Zoning workshop she attended in Kearney last month. At this meeting they stressed how important the Comprehensive Plan is to the Zoning Regulations. Each decision made on zoning regulations should be compared to the Plan. Once the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations have been completed, they become the property of the county.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to surplus the Fellowes shredder (SB-97Cs). Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment. Jack Johnston and Vaughn Blauvelt visited with the board about the process to change the AGR Zoning District.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

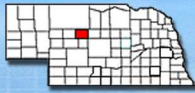
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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 16, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Sheriff Gary Eng and County Attorney Kurt Arganbright.

Chairman Seeley stated open meeting guidelines are posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested. Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to adopt the April 16, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the April 2, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on April 11, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

Snow removal routes were discussed. The board visited with the County Attorney about drawing up an agreement for maintenance/snow removal with independent contractors when help is needed throughout the county. The Clerk will get FEMA rates to the County Attorney to use and check with NIRMA about insurance coverage.

Discussion was held on hiring part time students to help with patching. The County Attorney advised the board that they should be 18 years of age. The Clerk will prepare a Help Wanted Ad for the paper.

Discussion was held on the agreement for work/material on Individual use roads. Suggested changes were recommended to the County Attorney. This item will be discussed again on May 7th.

The airport land lease was discussed. The survey and paperwork should be completed by the end of the week. Once the lease agreement has been completed, John will contact the fencing contractors in the area for sealed bids. This lease agreement will be discussed at the May 7th meeting.

The Clerk read several emails from County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith. He has been in communication with the crusher and they should be here in Thomas County within 30 days. He doesn't have any fear of heat with his process, that they can crush material year-round. The second email was from the NDOT and the question of obtaining cold mix from them, they will not be able to help us with material. Keith was in contact with Croell out of North Platte and they will continue to have cold mix available for us to purchase.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

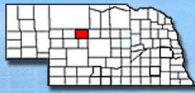
Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to pay claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays -none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN	312.00
CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS	REPAIRS	202.39
DULUTH HOLDING	UNIFORM	104.30
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	83.41
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	24.28
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	130.29
NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSOCIATION	TRAINING	65.00
MARK NUTTER	MILEAGE	223.30
RAMADA INN	LODGING	76.00
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER	ASSESSMENT	296.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	MEALS	31.58
SANDHILLS FAMILY MEDICINE	DRUG TEST	45.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	22.05
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	POSTAGE	4.15

ROAD FUND-

INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO	REPAIRS	26.41
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SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	12665.25
VISITORS FUND-		
TERRI LICKING	LODGING	228.03
TWYLA WITT	SERVICES	333.34
VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-		
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	1369.59

Chairman Seeley recessed the regular meeting at 11:00 a.m. to open the Public hearing on the Special Use Permit application from US Cellular.

No public present. A letter from Lyle & Judy Rath was read by the clerk to the board.

Chairman Seeley closed the public hearing at 11:15 a.m.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the Special use permit application for US Cellular in the NW1/4SW1/4 Section 23, Township 24 North, Range 28 West. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Office reports:

Clerk reported on NIRMA personnel meeting she attended in Ogallala on April 5th. Also presented a report on the trip to Rising City, NE with Mark Nutter, Al Atkins, Carolyn Warren and Dave Hamilton to view a cow/calf dry bed calving facility. The 2019 Reports & Opinion is completed and viewable online with the Property Assessment division. Also reported that Robert Mills will be willing to do snow removal at the courthouse instead of having the road men clear snow before heading out to plow roads.

Treasurer financial report was presented.

Sheriff quarterly fee report was presented to the board. Sheriff visited with the board about a handheld radio for the Deputy Sheriff. He also has found an Explorer at Federal Surplus in Lincoln for \$3,000. The Deputy will be on duty this weekend for the Halsey Easter Egg hunt for traffic control. Gary, serving as Chairman of the Thomas County Safety Committee, had our insurance company NIRMA, come out last week to train courthouse employees on CPR, AED and Stop the Bleed. A day in the future he is going to have NIRMA come out and do a Threat Assessment survey and Shelter in Place seminar at the courthouse.

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

Discussion was held on the Thomas County Weed Superintendent position. Commissioner Moody has reached out to several people about the position. She also visited with Logan County Weed Superintendent about representing Thomas County. This agenda item was tabled until the May 7th meeting.

No public comment.

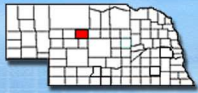
Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford Ne. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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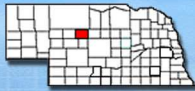


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John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 7, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Twyla Witt, Sherri Rodocker, Richard Cook, Pamela Mann, Tina Gastineau, and County Attorney Kurt Arganbright.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the May 7, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the April 16, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on April 25, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Lloyd Smith reported that he had a verbal approval from the NDOT for the access of highway 83 to the airport property. The county will need to either put millings or concrete down for the highway access.

Commissioner Seeley reported that he had contacted Jeff Johnston, Darren Rinestine and Bill Elliott for bids to fence out the property at the airport. These bids will be due on May 21, 2019.

Crushing material was discussed. John Warren will have some asphalt chunks that need crushed when the crusher comes to Thomas County. His material will be kept separate from the county and he will be billed for the work on his material.

Road personnel reported on equipment that has been worked on.

There was discussion for material to be put on the roads. Commissioner Purdum will talk with Triple G about 3A gravel. New price sheets were obtained from L & L Gravel, Triple G and Jeffres.

The airport land lease will be discussed again once the airport authority has met and approved the lease.

The application for additional work to Third Priority Roads (Individual use/Pink roads) was reviewed.

Landowners that would like to request material for the Individual Use roads will need to fill out this application.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the application for additional work to third party roads. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Sherri Rodocker was present to request material for Rodocker Lane. Application was filled out by landowner. Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the application for Rodocker Lane. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays -none. Motion carried.

No action taken on airport land lease. Waiting for Airport Authority to have their meeting and approve.



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Richard Cook met with the board about taking over the Thomas County Weed Superintendent position since the retirement of Carol Conard. Rich currently handles Logan County and McPherson County weed management.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to appoint Richard Cook as the Thomas County Weed Superintendent at \$11/hour plus expenses with certain expenses pro-rated with other participating counties. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	223.17
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2877.38
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC	METAL SIGNS	187.25
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	6304.7
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	350.62
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	376.89
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	607.13
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	411.60
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	265.11
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	467.12
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	21.47
GALLS LLC	SUPPLIES	454.88
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	76.56
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	34.80
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	DRUG TESTING	35.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1291.83
PAMELA MOODY	MILEAGE	156.60
NACO	REGISTRATION	135.00
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS	REGISTRATION	125.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1156.33
PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS	EQUIPMENT	732.05
PRESTO X	SERVICES	52.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	270.78
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7844.53
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	7.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	BOOKMOBILE	810.50
U S BANK	PUBLIC ASSIST	14.60
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		26,106.89

ROAD FUND-

	AUTOGATE	
GEORGE A. ALLARD	FORMS	860.00
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	695.63
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1983.14
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	55.52
CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS	REPAIRS	1290.57
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	72.54
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	199.41
NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC	REPAIRS	161.99
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	4053.93
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	1986.46
R7 CUSTOMS, LLC	FENCING	812.30
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	3511.97
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1557.24
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	4.53
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		6,224.76



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**PRE-TRIAL FUND-**

VIAERO WIRELESS	CELL PHONE	67.73
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EXTENSION FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	260.55
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	54.00
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	63.11
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	311.80
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	36.99
SCOTT FINNEY	MILEAGE	26.10
AMY GOODRICH	MILEAGE	66.12
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40
LACY HEBBERT	MILEAGE	32.48
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	178.00
JAY JENKINS	MILEAGE	69.60
CR JEWELL	MILEAGE	66.12
KWIK STOP	FUEL	32.17
MCI	PHONE	95.10
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY EXTENSION	DUES	100.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	133.65
RYAN RIDENOUR	MILEAGE	29.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	39.47
SANDHILLS CORRAL	MEALS	110.67
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	939.31
SALARIES		3,263.50

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	145.31
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	115.66
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	116.87
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	106.51
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
KIM MILLS	AMAZON	119.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	25.45
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	274.14
SYNCB/AMAZON	PAPER	28.64
SALARIES		1,019.77

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	4.63
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	78.58
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	88.17
SALARIES		469.82

Pamela Mann-Region II and Tina Gastineau-North Platte Opportunity Center gave an annual report on both organizations.

Office reports:

Clerk presented office fee report for April 2019. The FEMA money from June 2018 disaster should be coming in this week. Upcoming workshops were discussed. Assessor reports that TERC has approved the values set by the county. Notice of Value changes will be sent out the end of May. All residential homes will increase by 5% because of sales throughout the county. Commercial properties were revalued this year and will see some changes. Commercial property along Highway 2 will see an increase in the land values. Assessor reported on West Central Assessor meeting in North Platte and visiting a solar farm in Logan County.



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Treasurer presented the board with the delinquent real estate taxes in Thomas County. Two tax certificates were sold at the tax sale, leaving 13 parcels unsold totaling \$10,871.08.

Sheriff reported on a vehicle at Federal Surplus in Lincoln Ne. They have a 2010 Tahoe for \$14,000 that includes all law enforcement equipment already installed. The Sheriff office budget should have enough to cover this expense, if not the board will have the ability to transfer budget authority from Miscellaneous General.

Commissioner Moody reported on the NIRMA personnel meeting she attended in Kearney on April 18th.

The forest contract has not arrived. This will be discussed at the May 21, 2019 meeting.

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

Discussion was held on the NACO Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance. The current plan that Thomas County is on had a 2.15% decrease in premiums.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to continue with the NACO Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance for 2019-2020 with the \$1,000 deductible w/\$30 office visit co-pay. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was had on appointing someone to fill the position of Steve Reed on the Thomas County Airport Authority board. Tabled until the May 21, 2019 meeting.

Discussion was held on the Thomas County Veterans Service Officer position. Todd Peters of Hooker County has been in contact with the County Clerk about filling our position. Tabled until May 21, 2019 meeting. The Clerk will check with the American Legion members about their choice.

SDL application from Sandhills Corral for a wedding on June 6, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. was reviewed.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the SDL application for Sandhills Corral on June 6, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays -none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:



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John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 21, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:31 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody, Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, Jack Johnston, Twyla Witt, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, and County Sheriff Gary Eng.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the May 21, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the May 7, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on May 16, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held with Jack Johnston, Thomas County Airport Authority on the lease agreement with the county to stockpile material on. Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the lease agreement with the Thomas County Airport Authority for the 6.18 acres in the amount of \$111 per year, the first seven months will cost \$65. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

The Gaston Road Bridge and Forest agreement was discussed. County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith is still trying to locate a copy of the agreement from 1964.

The equipment use contract/agreement was reviewed. Suggestions to contact NIRMA to see if they have a recommendation for independent contractor liability insurance coverage amounts. This item was tabled until the June 4, 2019 meeting.

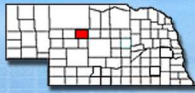
Auto gate request from Debbie Figard was discussed. The board decided that they needed more information from the land owner.

Road projects discussed: The auto gate on Windmill Road by Wayne Licking has been installed. An auto gate on River Road was discussed. Keith reported that it cost around \$4,500 to build one (1) eighteen (18) foot auto gate for the county. The old auto gate from Windmill Road will be listed as surplus on the June 4th meeting.

Fuller Lane work was discussed. Once the weather clears up the road men and Tom Licking will start the project on Fuller Lane. Shane Pettit has some black dirt/clay mix to use on the road.

Road men have been hauling some of the railroad rock material to use as mix on the roads.

The airport highway access for the county stockpile site was discussed. John Seeley may have some millings that can be used for this project. The county will need to contact Lex Zimmerman before proceeding on the project.



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Four fencing bids were received for the stockpile site at the airport. Chairman Seeley opened the bids.

Diamond R Ranch Supply, Inc - \$5,832

Elliott Fencing - \$2,441.51

R7 Customs LLC - \$3,066.36

Jeff Johnston - \$3,650

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to accept the Elliott Fencing bid of \$2,441.51 for the airport stockpile site. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	SERVICES	550.00
CHARRON LAWN CARE	FERTILIZER	400.00
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	373.84
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	SERVICES	234.17
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	200.35
HANNA:KEELAN ASSOCIATES	ZONING	4500.00
	VETERAN'S	
LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER	SERVICE	3600.00
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	MAY LAWN CARE	540.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	STAMPS	220.00
PRESTO X	SERVICES	52.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	0.15
THOMAS CO TREASURER	EXPENSES	133.85
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	TRAINING	794.05

ROAD FUND-

CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	72.23
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	740.47
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68
SHAFFER COMMUNICATIONS INC	GPS	630.00
TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC	MATERIAL	2269.95

VISITORS FUND-

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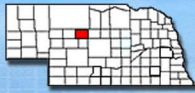
Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to have the County Attorney foreclose on parcel 860012816. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody. Nays – Seeley. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to take out tax sale certificates on the remaining 2017 delinquent taxes. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported that change of value notices will be mailed out on Friday May 24th. A bid/contract with Tax Valuation Inc has been received for the Village reappraisal work for this summer/fall, the amount of the contract is \$19,700.

Election equipment funding through the State of Nebraska will be paying for the updating of new election equipment for 2020.



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The Clerk had discussion with the board about changing over from voting at the courthouse to an all-mail election for the future. The Clerk will apply later this fall to see if the Secretary of State will allow the county to be an all-mail county.

Treasurer presented the financial report for April 2019. Questions on fund balances and interest rates were discussed.

Sheriff reported that the purchase of the Tahoe has been completed. He was able to purchase the Tahoe for \$13,200 rather than the \$14,000 originally thought.

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

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the FY2019 Annual Law Enforcement Forest Contract of \$7,800. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2019-6, transferring \$100 from Miscellaneous General to Library function within the General Fund. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

After discussion on the replacement for Steve Reed on the Thomas County Airport Authority. Motion was made by Moody and second by Purdum to appoint Roy Licking to fill the vacancy of Steve Reed on the Thomas County Airport Authority board. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody. Nays - Seeley. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to appoint Richard Cook as the Thomas County Veterans Service officer effective July 1, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Seeley recessed the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

Chairman Seeley reconvened the meeting at 1:15 p.m. in the Thomas County Courtroom of the Thomas County Courthouse. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, County Sheriff Gary Eng, County Deputy Sheriff Joseph Smith, Marion and Merrial Rhoades, Norma Butler, Judy, Tyler and Chase Rath, Carol Kosflosky, Twyla and Tom Witt, Lewis Herbaugh and Susan Neal.

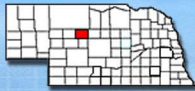
Chairman Seeley stated open meeting guidelines were posted as required by law and copies are available, if requested.

Chairman Seeley opened the public hearing at 1:16 p.m.

Norma Butler addressed the board about concerns from the smell of confinement facilities. She also stated that these restricted areas (AGR) only represented a small portion of the county.

Judy Rath questioned what the reason of the AGR district was when zoning was established.

Jim Purdum stated along with Pam Moody that Lee Ray had visited with them and stated that he no longer wanted to build this confinement facility on his property.



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Twyla Witt was against any changes to the zoning. We need to keep the residents that we have, and questioned if it would be worth increasing the tax base by allowing this facility if it meant losing residents.

Lewis Herbaugh voiced his concern about the rental homes that he owns and that one of them housed a daycare facility and this type of facility could put the daycare license in danger, if the facility were built and caused odor and flies.

Some other concerns stated the pollution to the river and management concerns in the future if it would change ownership.

No other public comments were offered.

Chairman Seeley closed the public hearing at 1:43 p.m.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to not approve the amendment to the Zoning Regulations for the AGR district. Roll call vote: Ayes -Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

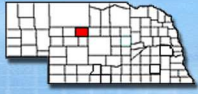
Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 4, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, Debbie Figard, Ann Warren, Twyla Witt, Carolyn Warren, Tony Baker, Brent Steffen, Wayne Licking, Judy Rath, Tyler Rath, Chase Rath, and Stuart Scranton.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the June 4, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the May 21, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on May 30, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to enter into executive session at 9:35 a.m. with the County Attorney, County Highway Superintendent and road personnel to perform road employee evaluations. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to leave executive session at 10:07 a.m. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve a 2% cost of living raise for the road employees. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Discussion on the Gaston Bridge belonging to the US Forest service was reviewed. Lloyd will contact the County Attorney about proceeding with a new agreement since the old agreement can not be found.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the new equipment use contract & operation agreement. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Other road discussion included the mud rock purchased from Triple G, equipment repairs, condition of roads, access off Highway 83 to the airport land, armor coat project probably won't happen until fall, and update of crushing the material piled at Frank Warren's.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to surplus the 8 x 12 auto gate by sealed bids for the July 2nd meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.



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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	AFLAC	223.17
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2853.03
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	8287.84
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	350.62
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	397.82
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	582.80
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	441.49
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	28.56
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	153.12
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
NACO	DUES/REGISTRATIONS	1168.88
NATIONAL SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION	DUES	60.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	9.18
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1171.02
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	STAMPS	55.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	PROPANE/FUEL	859.99
SANDHILLS AREA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION	DUES	100.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7861.55
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	2767.47
SENECA HISTORICAL PRESERVATION SOC	ELECTRICITY	2000.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	7.85
THOMAS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY	ELECTRICITY	2000.00
U S BANK	FUEL	76.90
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		25639.04

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	726.55
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC	SIGNS	213.95
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1983.14
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	384.12
ELLIOTT FENCING	FENCING	3071.00
KEITH HARTMAN	PHONE	120.00
L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL	3000.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	15.20
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	214.08
NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC	REPAIRS	321.99
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	600.35
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	3182.10
EDWARD SCHUKEI	PHONE	250.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1680.47
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	39160.07
THOMAS COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY	LEASE ON LAND	65.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		6752.81

PRETRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	67.73
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VISITORS FUND-

RONALD E SOWDERS	ADVERTISING	245.00
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EXTENSION FUND-

KEESHA ALBRECHT	SUPPLIES	119.73
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	272.71
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	241.95
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	63.11
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	311.80
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	178.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	141.87
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	27.78
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	945.65



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SALARIES 3176.77

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	128.87
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	115.66
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	117.30
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	205.45
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	14.50
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	20.95
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	PROPANE	209.85
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	253.64
SYNCB/AMAZON	SUMMER READING	23.98
SALARIES		1005.34

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	2.47
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	200.44
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	47.06
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	42.16
SALARIES		281.69

DEBT SERVICE FUND-

DEBT SERVICE FUND-A1:C88	PAYMENT	29022.64
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Office reports:

Clerk presented the fee report for the month of May. Discussion was had on trimming some of the trees on the courthouse lawn. At this time, we will have TT Tree Service clean some of the trees for \$550. The other tree that needs cut down will wait until we can obtain another bid to remove it.

Upcoming workshops that the Clerk will be attending are June 5th in Kearney – Board of Equalization and then June 12-14 in Kearney for Clerk’s workshop.

Treasurer presented the financial report for the month of May. Upcoming workshop for the office is June 10-13 in York.

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

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the contract with Tax Valuation Inc for the residential properties within the Villages of Thomas County for \$19,700. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum. Nays – Seeley. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the SDL license for June 22, 2019 at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve the 2019 Central Sandhills Community Wildlife Protection plan. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Tony Baker, Senator Tom Brewer’s legislative aide, gave an update on what happened in the legislature this year. He also talked about redistricting after the 2020 census and what the 43rd district would look like after the census. He reported on the bills that Senator Brewer worked on during this legislative session and how bipartisanship works. He



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also discussed the issue with property tax relief and the best chance was to get the issue on the ballot for 2020. The status of the R Line project was also discussed.

Public comment:

Wayne Licking visited with the board about some water holes on Windmill Rd by the new auto gate. He told the board that the road men can pull up the sides to fill in the holes.

Debbie Figard visited with the board about an auto gate for her house. The board suggested she submit a sealed bid for the auto gate up for surplus on July 2nd.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

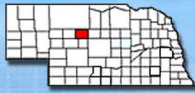
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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Attest:

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Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 18, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody, and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, road personnel Ed Schukei, County Sheriff Gary Eng, Twyla Witt, Tom Witt, Brent Steffen, John Hamilton, Joe Buechler, Charlie Daly, Mike Finney, Brad Kovarik, Lyle Rath, Judy Rath, Marion Rhoades, Rich Cook, Tim Storz and CJ Poltack.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on June 6, 2019.

Motion made Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the June 18, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes- Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the June 4, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on June 13, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Road projects:

The crusher is here in the county to crush the material located at Frank Warren's. Smitty will be down tomorrow to check with the contractor. Discussion was had on separating the sand from the material.

N Seneca Ave was discussed. A decision needs to be made at the July 2nd meeting to see what needs done on the road. The Clerk will ask Lloyd Smith to him check the road and see what he suggests be done. If the decision is to patch the holes with cold mix, maybe Cherry County will assist on the project again.

Fuller Lane work was discussed. Jim stated that Shane Pettit has allowed the county to take more material for S Seneca after the work on Fuller Lane was completed.

Jim asked Ed to stop pulling in to much sand onto the road from the shoulders and making the road wider.

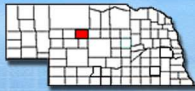
Gaston Rd and bridge ownership were discussed.

Brent Steffen met with the board to request they consider changing the road maintenance policy that was established in 2014.

The board reviewed quotes to repair the Peterbilt dump truck radiator. Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to have Peterbilt in North Platte replace the radiator. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum. Nay – Moody. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2019-7, transferring \$215,000 from General to Roads. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.



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

GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN LABOR	835.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
DEPT CORRECTIONAL SVCS	TAHOE	13200.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	187.66
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	62.93
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	154.28
LINCOLN COUNTY DETENTION CENTER	HOUSING	2400.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1241.83
NACO	REGISTRATIONS	100.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	117.00
SANDHILLS MOTORS	REPAIRS	50.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	EXTENSION	5446.10
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	464.52
ANDREA THOMAS	MILEAGE/LODGE	521.36
TT TREE SERVICE	TREE SERVICE	550.00

ROAD FUND-

L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL	725.44
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	912.02
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68

VISITORS FUND-

DAWN HAAKE	MARKETING	757.50
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EXTENSION FUND-

COUNTRY FABRIC & CRAFTS	SUPPLIES	111.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	908.12
MAILFINANCE	POSTAGE METER	134.85
MCI	PHONE	47.72
SANDHILLS MOTORS	REPAIRS	189.00
TOALFUNDS BY HASLER	POSTAGE	650.00

Office reports:

Clerk reported on the information put together for Gaston Bridge and road. She supplied the information to the County Attorney and Highway Superintendent. Discussed the airport land lease.

Sheriff reported on the prisoners in jail and activity in the area.

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

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the SDL application for Chuckwagon & Jug for August 31st. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Tim Storz-US Dept. of Ag and Rich Cook-Thomas County Weed Superintendent reviewed the 2018 report card for Thomas County on weed control reports. The website of neweed.org was discussed about tracking weed infestations.

CJ Poltack from West Central Nebraska Development District visited with the board about programs they offer. Discussion on holding a tire amnesty day was discussed, she will visit with the Village of Thedford about this.

Chairman Seeley recessed the regular meeting at 11:02 a.m. to enter into Board of Equalization.

Chairman Seeley reconvened the regular meeting at 11:15 a.m.



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Twyla Witt provided 2019 meeting minutes of the Thomas County Visitors committee meetings and discussed lodging tax revenue funds.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to reappoint the following members to the Thomas County Visitors Committee:

Tom Witt – term ending 2021

Bob Broweleit – term ending 2020

Brad Nutter – term ending 2020

Terri Licking – term ending 2020

Michaela Iwanski – term ending 2021

Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays -none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. 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 Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 2, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Ed Schukei, and Tom Witt.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on June 20, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the July 2, 2019 agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the June 18, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on June 27, 2019. Roll call Vote: Ayes—Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays-None. Motion carried.

Road Projects:

Gaston Bridge was discussed. Lorissa will reach out to Julie Bain to help find a previously signed agreement but land ownership changes may require a new agreement.

N Seneca Ave was discussed. Crushed material will be tested for oil content to be used on 2 miles of N Seneca Ave. It was discussed that all projects should be armor coated. Lloyd contacted Cherry County and they are willing to help bring three belly dump trucks as well as use of their roller to pack material. Ed has been patching

The screenings from the crushed material should be used as shouldering.

Required road personnel documents were discussed. The board asked Ed to give a more detailed list of what projects he will be working on and to list roads specifically.

Triple G correspondence presented. The only time the county can prepay for material is if they can show the material stockpiled in a location.

Lloyd reported that he had marked out the approach to the airport land, he will contact Lex Zimmerman to get approval and then we can use some of the crushed material to build the approach.

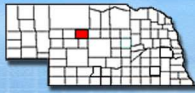
No auto gate bids were received.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to complete the Annual Certification of LB98 Buyback funds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

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AFLAC	INSURANCE	442.92
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2791.52
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	8111.14
CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS	REPAIRS	53.19
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	269.94
CAROL CONARD	MILEAGE	131.08
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	358.94
RICHARD COOK	MILEAGE	120.28
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	ADVERTISING	400.51
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	436.78
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	72.86
GWORKS	SERVICES	4780.00
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	76.56
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	46.80
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	JUNE/JULY LAWN	1080.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1183.63
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	9.45
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1126.24
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	139.49
NIRMA	INSURANCE	10190.00
PRESTO X	SERVICES	55.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	439.95
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7658.48
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	394.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		25420.26

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	555.71
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1940.50
CROELL, INC.	MATERIAL	2599.88
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	57.37
GWORKS	SERVICES	420.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	16.50
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	173.09
NIRMA	INSURANCE	12252.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	3553.25
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1707.10
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	142.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		7967.75

PRETRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	67.73
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	ADVERTISING	12.84
NIRMA	INSURANCE	69.00
THEDFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT	GRANT	500.00
WITT, TWYLA	PROJECTS	666.68

VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-

THOMAS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY	GRANT	1968.00
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EXTENSION FUND-

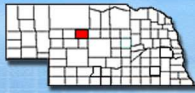
AFLAC	INSURANCE	60.45
KEESHA ALBRECHT	SUPPLIES	46.28
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	243.42
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	311.88
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	SUBSCRIPTION	25.00
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	178.00
JAY JENKINS	MILEAGE	288.26
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	122.53
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	43.28
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	872.48
SALARIES		3029.48

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	136.48
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	154.06
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	115.61
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	12.99
DEMCO INC	SUPPLIES	32.99
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	COPIER	29.28
ENTERTAINMENT GROUP	SUMMMER READ	375.00
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	16.05
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	23.04
NIRMA	INSURANCE	1256.00
RUBBERSTAMPS.COM	SUPPLIES	16.40
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	241.01
SYNCB/AMAZON	INK	40.89
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	142.50
SALARIES		839.98

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
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HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	11.70
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1.91
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	63.39
SCHOLASTIC INC.	BOOKS	55.68
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	49.42
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	15.43
SALARIES		296.49

Office reports:

Clerk reported that the budget work session will be held on Tuesday, August 6th at 1:15 p.m. Office fee report was presented. July 11th a webinar will be held at 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. for the County Board of Equalization and Assessor.

Treasurer reported on the PILT money the county received this fiscal year. It is actually down \$30,000 from last year's revenue. Andrea also reported on a program with NACO to provide certification for treasurers.

Pam Moody, Jim Purdum, Andrea Thomas and Lorissa Hartman reported attending the NACO County Budget Workshop in North Platte.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the SDL liquor application for Sandhill Oil on July 27th. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to pay the Region II Human Services FY2019-2020 assessment for the year in the amount of \$2,378.55. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment at this time.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

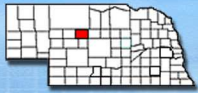
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 16, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Sheriff Gary Eng and Jerad Reimers.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on July 4, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the July 16, 2019 agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the July 2, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on July 11, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion items:

The Clerk has been in contact with Julie Bain at the Forest to see if they could locate an agreement on Gaston Bridge and Road.

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith had emailed the results of the crushed material. He informed the board by email that the results showed the material tested at 4.8% binder. He suggests that we utilize the warm weather and get the material down. The Clerk will have road personnel Keith Hartman check with Tom Licking and see what dates he will be available to start this project. Once the date is determined we will check with Cherry County to see if they will have trucks available to help haul material. If they can't help, we will need to line up 3 trucks to help haul. The remaining holes will need to be patched with cold mix prior to starting on laying the millings.

Questions for Lloyd were can we get the truck speed on Purdum Road lowered and the armor coat on the Purdum Road is getting down to where you can see the old stripes.

Commissioner Purdum will contact the two-remaining people on the surplus auction items that haven't been picked up yet.

Projects that the commissioners would like completed in the next two weeks are: patching of N Seneca Ave, filling in the curves on Purdum Road by Atkins and Swishers, and laying the approach to the airport land. They would also like to see all road graded.

Correspondence presented. Message from West Central Development District that the Village of Thedford will apply for the scrap tire grant.

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



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GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN EXPENSE	512.00
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	69.60
CHARRON LAWN CARE	FERTILIZER 2ND	400.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	BOX RENT	348.00
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY	REGISTRATION	495.00
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES	ASSESSMENT	2378.55
REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER	ASSESSMENT	1223.00
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	7797.40
SANDHILLS MOTORS	REPAIRS	548.46
SCHOOL HOUSE GRAPHICS	DECALS	315.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	2.65
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	4.39
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	COPIES/POSTAGE	9.10
TT TREE SERVICE	TREE REMOVAL	115.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE	55.83

ROAD FUND-

NEBRASKA PETERBILT FORD	REPAIRS	3206.04
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68
TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC	MATERIAL	1222.60

VISITORS FUND-

LOUP 2 LOUP OPEN ROAD RACE	PROMOTION	500.00
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EXTENSION FUND-

KEESHA ALBRECHT	SUPPLIES	14.75
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	96.87
AMY GOODRICH	MILEAGE	66.12
CR JEWELL	MILEAGE	64.96
MCI	PHONE	47.92
RYAN RIDENOUR	MILEAGE	29.00

Office reports:

Clerk reported that the planning commission meeting scheduled for July 18th has been moved to August 1st. A jury trial is scheduled for August 29th and 30th. Proposed budget forms were handed out to the board.

Treasurer presented the financial report. The new dmv system will be ready in October, training will be held in North Platte for the new system.

Sheriff presented his quarterly fee report. He also reported on the law enforcement training for the Deputy, which will be for 16 weeks.

Emergency Manager report was on grants that he had applied for with FEMA for a siren for Thedford and generator for the courthouse. He also discussed the 2019-2020 Region 26 budget.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the engagement letter with McChesney, Martin, and Sagehorn for budget services. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Jerad Reimers gave an update on Adrian Smith's office. He reminded the board of services that the office can assist in; examples are expedited passports and anything dealing with federal dollars. He gave information on the committees that Adrian Smith serves on.

Chairman Seeley recess the meeting at 11:30 a.m. to enter into Board of Equalization.

Chairman Seeley reconvened the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

Budget questions from the board were discussed. A budget workshop will be held on Tuesday, August 6th at 1:15 p.m. in the Commissioners meeting room.

No public comment.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 6, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Veterans Service Officer Rich Cook, and County Sheriff Gary Eng.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on July 25, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the August 6, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the July 16, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on July 25, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Road discussion items:

The north approach from Hwy 2 to Gaston Bridge was discussed. Ed will see about putting material in the potholes. The N Seneca Ave milling project has been postponed, Cherry County is not available to help haul millings and the weather has been cooler than needed to lay the millings down.

The shouldering on S Seneca by Roger Lickings is the current project being worked on besides grading. The shouldering on Windmill Rd needs completed next so that the armor coat project can happen before the end of fall.

Both road employees talked about projects they will be working on for the next couple of weeks.

Commissioner Purdum talked about pulling up the road on S Seneca by Childers hill and hauling clay from Bob Childers land. County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith will provide a generic material agreement to be used when taking material from a landowner.

All board members agreed that the shouldering projects on S Seneca and Windmill Rd are the top priority.

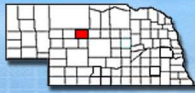
The Clerk reported that Julie Bain with the Forest Service reported back that she had found a signed agreement between the Forest Service and Thomas County on Gaston Rd and Bridge. She will provide a copy to the County next week.

The board reviewed the request from Jim Johnston for Johnston Lane. Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to provide 4 loads road gravel to Jim Johnston to be put on Johnston Lane. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The Clerk informed the board of the request from Joe Nutter to purchase 3 or 4 loads of millings. After discussion the board decided to keep all the millings for use on County Roads.

Richard Cook, Thomas County Veterans Service Officer presented a list of veterans to be appointed to the Thomas County Veterans Service board.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to appoint the following veterans to the Thomas County Veterans Service Board:



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- Ted Taylor – term expiring 2020
- Bobbi Scott – term expiring 2021
- Dean Figard – term expiring 2022
- Julie Schaeffer – term expiring 2023
- Jerry Linn – term expiring 2024

Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. Library and Overdrive usage report reviewed. Letter from Terry Jessen was reviewed, no action will be taken on this letter until NACO has a chance to recommend action by the board.

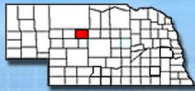
Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	442.92
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2937.12
MARCY ANDERSEN	MILEAGE	251.32
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	8180.74
CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR	REPAIRS	27.10
CLARK DENTAL CLINIC	INMATE COST	250.00
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	269.94
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	363.62
RICHARD COOK	WEED EXP	49.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	511.05
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	490.44
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES/COPIER	551.35
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	3.59
FREY'S HEATING AND AIR COND INC	REPAIRS	1570.65
GALLS LLC	SUPPLIES	93.14
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	46.80
LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK	PROBATION	934.13
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	540.00
MARSHALL & SWIFT/BOECKH, LLC	SUPPLIES	649.20
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1183.63
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1166.80
PRESTO X	SERVICES	55.00
QUILL	SUPPLIES	53.46
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	615.40
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7930.46
SHIRTS, SIGNS, MUGS, AND MORE	SUPPLIES	76.15
ANDREA THOMAS	MILEAGE	146.16
U S BANK	GAS	52.66
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
WEST CENTRAL NEBR AREA AGENCY	ASSESSMENT	400.50
SALARIES		26003.61

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	600.41
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1940.50
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIR	166.76
CROELL, INC.	MATERIAL	2579.63
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	53.66
L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL	1708.10
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	158.98
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	3029.14
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	2123.03
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1679.80



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VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		7719.39

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	68.34
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	12.45
VADA HAUMANN	REIMBURSEMNT	75.00
WESTERN NEBRASKA TOURISM COALITION	REGISTRATION	276.69

EXTENSION FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	60.45
KEESHA ALBRECHT	SUPPLIES	6.99
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	281.01
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	313.81
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	10.16
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	178.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	142.31
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	BOX FEE #148	120.00
SANDHILLS MOTORS	SERVICES	196.56
SALLY SAWYER	MILEAGE	33.64
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	948.13
SALARIES		3181.80

LIBRARY FUND-

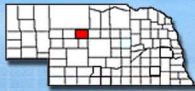
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	160.57
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	154.06
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	116.56
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	156.08
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	22.54
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	29.87
NEBRASKA LIBRARY COMMISSION	OVERDRVE	500.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	316.53
SYNCB/AMAZON	INK	42.89
U S BANK	ANTIVIRUS	116.04
SALARIES		1111.92

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2.91
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	11.70
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	2.34
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	102.88
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	46.38
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	38.61
SALARIES		264.30

Office reports:

Ex-Officio Clerk presented fee report for the month of July for the office. Informed the board about the Planning meeting held on August 1st. Discussed upcoming dates to remind the board about: August 15th Nebraska Supreme Court Chief Justice Mike Heavican visit to the courthouse and September 26th West Central District meeting in Ogallala.



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Treasurer reported that the forest money just came in and the board will need to decide how to divide the payment by the August 20th meeting. The treasurer office just changed MIPS software on Monday. DMV computer change will be later this year.

Sheriff talked with the board about comp time accrual for the Deputy during law enforcement training in Grand Island. The sheriff will present an agreement for the board to review at the next meeting.

The sheriff will also be assisting Keith County over Labor Day weekend at Lake McConaughy. Keith County will pay all expenses and will cover the sheriff and equipment with Keith County NIRMA insurance during the time he is assisting at the Lake.

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

The Sheriff requested that the Deputy be issued a county credit card for fuel in the event the gas stations are closed and for emergency use while traveling back and forth during law enforcement training.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the Deputy Sheriff being issued a county credit card. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Seeley recessed the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

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

Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody, and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Sheriff Gary Eng. and Susan Maline.

A budget work session was held. The board reviewed the proposed revenue and expenditures for fiscal year 2019-2020.

No public comment.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

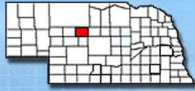
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 20, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody, and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Keith Hartman, and County Sheriff Gary Eng.

Chairman Seeley 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 8, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the August 6, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the August 6, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on August 15, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

The shouldering of S. Seneca and Windmill Rd was discussed. The project has not been completed yet, Commissioner Purdum will drive out and check both sites and report back to the Clerk. The board will ask Lloyd to check into bids for the Armor coat project on these two roads.

Seneca cemetery road needs some material. One load of pit run was recommended by Commissioner Purdum.

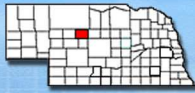
The Clerk reported that the Forest was able to locate the agreement with Thomas County of Gaston Road. A copy of the agreement and all documents were dropped off with the Clerk.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN	195.00
CALLAWAY DISTRICT HOSPITAL	SERVICES	160.00
CHARRON LAWN CARE	SERVICES	400.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
DATASPEC INC	SOFTWARE	449.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	180.49
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	31.98
HOLCOMB PHARMACY P.C.	INMATE	24.04
LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK	PROBATION	837.90
MIPS INC	SUPPLIES	98.11
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS	REGISTRATION	50.00
POSTER COMPLIANCE CENTER	SUPPLIES	69.95
PRESTO X	SERVICES	55.00
SCHOOL HOUSE GRAPHICS	SERVICES	455.25
SYNCB/AMAZON	SUPPLIES	88.30



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THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	7.35
THOMAS CO TREASURER	EXTENSION/BOOKMOBILE	6233.93
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	EXPENSES	12.50
U S BANK	FUEL-SHERIFF	78.38
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONE	55.83

ROAD FUND-

KEITH HARTMAN	PHYSICAL	106.00
L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL	9449.12
NORTHERN PLAINS, LLC	SERVICES	22217.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68
SHAFFER COMMUNICATIONS INC	SERVICES	630.00

EXTENSION FUND-

EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	43.16
HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE	NOTICE	4.84
MCI	PHONE	49.71

BOOKMOBILE

PENWORTHY COMPANY	BOOKS	232.70
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Discussion was held on the final bill from Hanna:Keelan. Commissioner Moody will contact the firm and ask about the public open houses and the fulfillment of the agreement.

Office reports:

Clerk reported on the Supreme Court Chief Justice visit to the courthouse on August 15th. The Jury trial scheduled for the last week of August has been settled. The Clerk will be attending Assessor Continuing Education on August 25th – 29th.

Treasurer presented financial report for July 2019. The Treasurer reported that she will be attending a meeting in Lincoln at NACO for discussion on certifications/education for the Treasurer office. The new MIPS system is installed and working great. The Treasurer asked for direction from the board on how to disperse the Forest money, the board agreed to distribute to the Bookmobile and Road fund.

Sheriff/Emergency Manager reported on problems with the Forest contract billing. He also discussed with a member of the Thedford Rural Fire District about their board helping to pay a percentage of the 911 assessment due to the fact the fire district covers a large area in Cherry County. He will be attending a September meeting with the Rural Fire District to discuss this possibility of this happening in the future.

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

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2019-8, final allocation of levy authority to all political subdivisions subject to county levy authority. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Budget work session was held. Board and officials reviewed areas to cut. Decreasing the asking by \$44,000. Final budget hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 3rd.

No public comment.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 3, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley and Pam Moody. Absent – Jim Purdum. Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to excuse Commissioner Purdum. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, Royce Brown, Twyla Witt, Al Atkins, County Sheriff Gary Eng, and Deputy County Attorney Warren Arganbright.

Chairman Seeley 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, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to adopt the September 3, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve the August 20, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on August 29, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Royce Brown visited with the board about S Railroad Street in Seneca asking the board about repairing this road. Discussion followed about getting railroad ballast to fill in the major holes and then bringing in dirt to build up the road in the low spots and then rock over the top. Royce also visited about Avey Lane. The board advised him that this road had been previously abandoned and they would need to check with legal counsel and highway superintendent before they could decide anything.

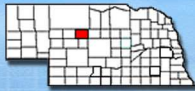
The shouldering project needs completed so that we can armor coat Windmill Rd and S Seneca millings that were put down last year.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to waive the bidding requirement based on statute 23-3109(3) and authorize Lloyd Smith, County Highway Superintendent to proceed with obtaining bids for the armor coat project. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve the use of the contract easement for materials for any future road projects. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on repairs for the 938G loader. Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to accept the quote from NMC for \$24,260 to replace the CAT engine in the 938G loader. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. NIRMA conference materials were reviewed.



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Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to pay payroll and claims as presented. Discussion was held on the Hanna:Keelan claim of \$9,000, the amount paid was only \$6,500, the remaining \$2,500 will be paid once zoning regulations have been finished. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	442.92
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2861.40
AWARDS PLUS	CLOTHES	60.00
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	8180.74
CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS	REPAIRS	89.04
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	269.94
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	387.98
RICHARD COOK	MILEAGE	52.78
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	735.82
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	647.88
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	114.29
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	14.38
RON MASTEN	AMMO	300.00
BLAINE T. GILLETT, LLC	ATTORNEY FEES	252.92
HANNA:KEELAN ASSOCIATES, P.C.	COMP PLAN	6500.00
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	111.47
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	46.80
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	540.00
MONUMENT INN & SUITES	LODGING	360.00
NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER	TRAINING	135.00
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	20.07
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1142.01
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	724.48
SAWYER MOUNTAIN GUNS & AMMO	AMMO/TRAINING	331.50
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7748.38
THOMAS COUNTY COURT	COSTS	204.00
ANDREA THOMAS	MILEAGE	283.04
U S BANK	FUEL	47.00
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT	REGISTRATION	90.00
SALARIES		25405.85

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	591.38
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1940.50
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	233.17
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	52.42
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	161.41
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	4179.22
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1658.60
TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC	MATERIAL	367.65
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		7520.02

PRETRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	68.34
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PUBLISHING	9.78
VADA HAUMANN	REMIBURSEMENT	75.00

EXTENSION FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	60.45
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	266.70
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	356.53
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	313.81
AMANDA DAVIS	MEAL	12.00
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	4.78
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	178.00



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NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	134.77
RAMADA	LODGING	119.95
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	105.88
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	923.24
SALARIES		3147.53

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	151.00
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	154.06
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	116.26
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	184.16
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
KIM MILLS	POSTAGE	5.71
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	28.55
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	276.27
SYNCB/AMAZON	SUMMER RDG	22.94
SALARIES		898.01

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	18.30
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	11.70
MIDAMERICA BOOKS	BOOKS	231.40
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	3.58
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	83.40
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	54.74
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	348.18
SALARIES		241.50

Office reports:

Clerk presented fee report for the month of August. A short recap of the Assessor Workshop from last week. Calendar reminder dates: Register of Deeds – Kearney, September 13th, West Central District meeting – Ogallala, September 26th, Thomas County Planning Commission meeting/hearing, September 17th at 2:00 p.m., Legislative Conference-McCook, October 10th.

Treasurer reported that she attended a meeting in Lincoln about the County Treasurer certification education.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve Resolution #2019-9, Forest Reserve funds disbursement. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve the comp time policy for the sheriff office. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Al Atkins representing the Loup to Loup Race committee visited with the board about the race held in August.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to close the Purdum Rd on August 13, 2020 for the Loup to Loup race.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Chairman Seeley recessed the meeting at 11:28 a.m.

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



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Members present were John Seeley and Pam Moody. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Sheriff Gary Eng, Susan Maline and Jay Jones.

Chairman Seeley opened the budget hearing at 1:15 p.m.

No members of the public present at this time.

Chairman Seeley closed the public hearing at 1:26 p.m.

Due to not enough board members present the Resolution #2019-10, 1% increase for 2018-2019 funds subject to limitation could not be voted on.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to adopt the 2019-2020 Thomas County budget. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Chairman Seeley opened the public hearing for the property tax request at 1:30 p.m.

No members of the public present at this time.

Chairman Seeley closed the public hearing at 1:40 p.m.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve Resolution #2019-11, setting the 2019-2020 final tax request at \$859,671. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Public comment. Jay Jones visited with the board about the Planning commission and the information he has drafted to be presented at the planning commission meeting on September 17th.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

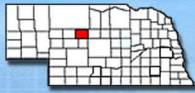
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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 17, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley and Pam Moody. Commissioner Purdum arrived at 9:56 a.m. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Twyla Witt, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, and County Sheriff Gary Eng.

Chairman Seeley 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, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to adopt the September 17, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve the September 3, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on September 12, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

The board discussed the road maintenance policy. Lloyd will ask the County Attorney on how to handle any changes to the policy that was established. The board would like to review the grading of pink(individual use) roads.

The request for material for Ayres Lane was discussed. The board directed the Clerk to present the landowner the material agreement. The county will haul the material but the material will be purchased by the landowner.

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith reported that he had put out a request for informal quotes on the Armor coat project. He will prepare a notice to publish in the paper to fulfill the statutory requirements.

Carr Lane was discussed. The County Attorney will contact the representative of Western Nebraska Bank to discuss a deed or easement.

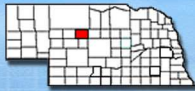
The purchase of a blade for the front of the John Deere loader was discussed.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

ALTERNATE FORCE CLAWA ENTERPRISE	SUPPLIES	54.90
ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN EXPENSE	645.00
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	SUBSCRIPTION	25.00
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF	INMATE COSTS	5970.00
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	500.94
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	342.21
BLAINE T. GILLETT, LLC	ATTORNEY FEES	535.40
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	164.48



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MIPS INC	SERVICES	1183.63
REDFIELD DIRECT LLC	SUPPLIES	144.50
REGION 26	SUPPLIES	1.50
THOMAS CO TREASURER	STAMPS	55.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	COPIES&POSTAGE	7.70
THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF	PAPER SERVICE	46.00
U S BANK	FUEL	206.24
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE	55.83

ROAD FUND-

CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	62.63
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	934.63
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1963.68

EXTENSION FUND-

EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	407.25
GRANT COUNTY NEWS	SUBSCRIPTION	26.00
MAILFINANCE	POSTAGE	134.85
MCI	PHONE	49.43

Office reports:

Treasurer presented the delinquent tax list and financial report for August. The treasurer office will be attending training for the new DMV system the following weeks, Andrea September 18th – 20th and Melissa October 2nd – 3rd.

Clerk reported on the Register of Deeds workshop on September 13th in Kearney. Planning Commission meeting this afternoon and also the replacement of a planning commission board member.

Sheriff had an activity report for the area and also reported on Labor Day weekend at Lake McConaughy.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the lien for the Village of Thedford for solid waste removal services for parcel 860028611. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2019-12, Transfer of funds from Bookmobile to Library in the amount of \$15,000. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the SDL application for Sandhills Corral on Saturday, November 23, 2019 at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment. Twyla asked the board to consider who they appoint to the planning commission. No other public comment.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.



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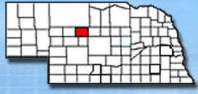


Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
October 1, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to excuse Commissioner John Seeley. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Seeley. Motion carried.

Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, John Webster-Murphy Tractor, Gregg O'Brien-NMC, Deputy County Attorney Warren Arganbright and County Sheriff Gary Eng.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on September 19, 2019.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to adopt the September 17, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Absent – Seeley. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the September 17, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on September 26, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Seeley. Motion carried.

Roads discussion:

Road work on S Railroad Street in Seneca has been completed.

Shouldering work looks good on S Seneca.

River Road needs more rock and gravel-dirt mix.

The county still has 1,000 ton of mud rock to get from L & L Gravel.

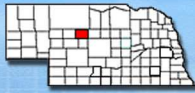
John Webster and Gregg O'Brien presented quotes for a blade to be used on the John Deere loader. John Deere quoted a Rylind blade for \$16,800 delivered to Thedford. This quote includes a Stucchi connector and hoses to hook up to the loader. NMC quoted a Heinke blade for \$16,200 which would need picked up at Doniphan.

Commissioner Moody preferred the quote from John Deere while Commissioner Purdum preferred the quote from NMC. No action taken and will be placed on the October 15th board meeting agenda.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve Resolution #2019-13, establishing Carr Lane as a secondary priority level road. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Absent – Seeley. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve Resolution #2019-14, accepting deed from Western Nebraska Bank for the portion of Carr Lane to establish a county road. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Seeley. Motion carried.

Informal armor coat bids were reviewed. Three bids were received: Figgins Construction - \$51,688, The Road Guy - \$69,628 and Topcoat - \$70,473. The board using statute 23-3109(2) and 23-3109(3) considering by waiving the bidding requirements at the September 3rd meeting chose to proceed with the project.



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Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to accept the informal bid from Figgins Construction for armor coat in the amount of \$51,688. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Absent – Seeley. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to close the Purdum Road on August 6, 2020 for the SORC race. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Absent – Seeley. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	442.92
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2785.31
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	8180.74
CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR	REPAIRS	89.83
CHARRON LAWN CARE	FERTILIZER	400.00
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	269.94
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	390.00
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT	MEALS	209.73
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	472.57
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	36.41
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	102.27
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	46.80
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	LAWN CARE	540.00
MARSHALL & SWIFT/BOECKH, LLC	SUPPLIES	649.20
MCCHESNY MARTIN SAGEHORN, PC	SERVICES	4500.00
MEBULBS	SUPPLIES	754.39
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	27.33
NEBRASKA COUNTY ASSESSORS ASSOC	DUES	50.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1125.53
PRESTO X	SERVICES	55.00
QUILL	SUPPLIES	75.48
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	405.83
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	7592.10
THOMAS CO CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT	FEES	33.00
ANDREA THOMAS	MILEAGE	236.64
U S BANK	FUEL-SMITH	97.81
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	394.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		24,825.51

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	653.22
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1940.50
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	78.16
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	69.34
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	185.93
NEBRASKA PETERBILT FORD	REPAIRS	98.40
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	25771.74
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	2896.33
EDWARD SCHUKEI	SAFETY EQUIP	75.00
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	1582.35
TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC	MATERIAL	1049.40
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	142.50
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		6640.82

PRETRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	92.73
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VISITORS FUND-



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NE TRAVEL ASSOCIATION	DUES	150.00
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VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND- AWARDS UNLIMITED, INC.	SUPPLIES	116.61
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EXTENSION FUND- AFLAC	INSURANCE	60.45
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	255.95
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	313.81
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	10.16
AMANDA DAVIS	FUEL	10.10
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40
TL MEYER	FUEL	54.53
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	129.12
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	83.88
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	897.70
SALARIES		3080.25

LIBRARY FUND- AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	125.62
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	154.06
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	117.84
CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE INC.	SUPPLIES	190.17
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	167.23
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	13.67
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
KIM MILLS	POSTAGE	3.10
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	34.33
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	20.42
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	246.19
SYNCB/AMAZON	CHAIRS	1267.87
SALARIES		943.04

BOOKMOBILE FUND- BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.5
CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR	REPAIRS	60.61
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	11.70
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	3.05
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	81.40
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FED TAXES	63.56
SALARIES		380.57

Office reports:

Clerk reported on upcoming planning hearings and presented the board members with information on the next regular board meeting.

Motel reservations were made for the NACO convention in December. This year the reservations are at the Hampton Inn, cancellations will need to be made before November 27th.

Treasurer reported on the new DMV training. The new system will go live on October 15th. The State of Nebraska will be putting out a press release on the new system. The Treasurer will be working on an ASSIST grant from NIRMA for an AED to be installed at the Library.

The Treasurer also alerted the board to the Road fund balance.

Sheriff gave an activity report. He also reported on his continuing education meetings this week in York.

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



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No public comment.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Seeley. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

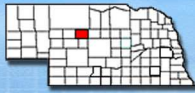
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Vice Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
October 15, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, John Webster-Murphy Tractor, Gordon Huddle, Mel Coffman, Twyla Witt, Tom Witt, Judy Rath, Barb Welch, Dan Welch, Stuart Scranton, County Sheriff Gary Eng, Paul Brune-NPPD, Emma Barnett-NPPD, David Kezer-Power Engineers, Lindsay Stecy-Forbes Brothers and several people from Custer Public Power.

Chairman Seeley stated the 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, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the October 15, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the October 1, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on October 10, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Lloyd Smith reported that Figgins Construction should be in Thomas County within the next 10-14 days to do the armor coat work.

Road men discussed roads they have been grading and what the plans are for the next two weeks.

Both roads leading to the cemetery's need work done before winter.

Ed reported that he would like to get culverts for McMillan Ave, Rosehill Rd and Atkins Rd. He is going to check with Custer County about bulk orders.

The 140H needs 4 new tires. The board told Ed to check around on the state pricing and installation costs. A decision will be made at the November 5th meeting.

The road department shop had some damage over the weekend. From what the road men could see is that someone did a cookie on the railroad street and threw a rock through the shop window and screen putting a dent in a pickup inside the shop. The road men were going to look back on the security tape to see if they can see who caused the damage.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve Resolution#2019-15, Annual Certification of Program Compliance. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays -none. Motion carried.

No new armor coat bids were received. No further action taken.

Discussion was held on purchasing a blade for the John Deere Loader. Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to purchase the Rylind blade from Murphy Tractor for \$16,800. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – Purdum. Motion carried.



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Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN EXPENSES	520.00
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT	MEALS	69.17
RODNEY PETRIE	ANIMAL CONTROL	60.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	14.10
GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE	232.00
W. W. GRAINGER, INC.	BUILDING SUPPLIES	40.95
MICROTEL INN & SUITES KEARNEY NE	LODGING	82.00
MIPS INC	SERVICES	1183.63
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	105.31
REGION 26	ASSESSMENT	7801.90
SANDHILLS WEED MANAGEMENT AREA	PUBLISHING	158.57
MELISSA SMITH	MILEAGE	236.64
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	1.50
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	110.00
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	COPIES	6.60
U S BANK	MOTEL ROOM	180.00

ROAD FUND-

L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL	2761.92
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VISITORS FUND-

NEBRASKA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	TACFF	1377.19
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EXTENSION FUND-

EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	2148.35
AMY GOODRICH	MILEAGE	66.12
GRANT COUNTY NEWS	NOTICE	5.64
LACY HEBBERT	MILEAGE	92.80
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	186.90
JAY JENKINS	MILEAGE	71.92
CR JEWELL	MILEAGE	64.96
MCI	PHONE	49.77
RYAN RIDENOUR	MILEAGE	29.00
SANDHILLS CORRAL	EXTENSION MTG	143.84
BLAKE THOMPSON	MILEAGE	34.80

LIBRARY FUND-

EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	COPIER	20.13
ENERSPECT MEDICAL SOLUTIONS LLC	EQUIPMENT	1106.97

Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported that Tax Valuation Inc was in the county doing the village reappraisal work. Upcoming meetings: West Central Assessor meeting Friday October 18th in North Platte and mandatory Election training October 23rd-25th in Kearney.

Treasurer presented the financial report for September. The new Victory DMV system is up and running effective today.

Sheriff presented his fee report for the office.



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Commissioner Moody reported on the NIRMA conference held last week in York. Discussion was held on securing our computer systems.

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

Paul Brune of NPPD reported on the status of the R Line project. Most work will start in April 2020. The commissioners asked for additional information from NPPD, information requested were maps showing the fly and material yards in Thomas County, a report on Thomas County landowners that have signed easements and the heavy use agreement for our county roads. Other questions for NPPD included eminent domain for landowners not signing easements and liability questions for fires caused by the power lines.

Forbes Brothers representative Lindsay Stecy reported that approximately 10-20 people will be working in the area at a time. The company will work with County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith to keep the roads in good shape. They will keep the roads in good shape during the construction phase and then once construction is completed, they will return the roads to the pre-construction condition or leave them in better shape than before.

Chairman Seeley recessed the regular meeting at 11:30 a.m. to enter into Board of Equalization.

Chairman Seeley reconvened the regular meeting at 11:38 a.m.

Chairman Seeley recessed the meeting at 11:39a.m.

Chairman Seeley reconvened the meeting at 1:15 p.m. members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody, and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Sheriff Gary Eng, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Judy Rath and Jack Johnston.

Chairman Seeley opened the public hearing for the 2019-2029 Thomas County Comprehensive Plan at 1:15 p.m.

No public comment.

Chairman Seeley closed the public hearing at 1:39 p.m.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the 2019-2029 Thomas County Comprehensive Plan. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment. Judy Rath presented the board with a copy of the lawsuit in filed federal court in Denver relating to the “R-project”

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 5, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Sheriff Gary Eng, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Twyla Witt, Jay Jones, Merrial Rhoades, and Mel Coffman.

Chairman Seeley 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, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the November 5, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the October 15, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on October 24, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Gaston Bridge was discussed. Commissioner Seeley had talked with Troy Palmer with the US Forest Service about the bridge. County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith will be the contact with the Forest Service on any future work to be done.

Topics of discussion included repair to an auto gate on River Ave. Road employees projected road project sheets were reviewed. Repair on the broken window at the shop. Armor coat project – haven't heard from Figgins Construction on a start date. John Deere bucket quick release pins.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the application from Leon & Rose Gift for material on Florea Lane. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

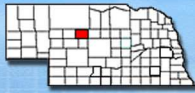
Commissioner Purdum will contact Gift's and let them know and advise them on setting up an account with either L & L Gravel or Triple G to get the material purchased and then the county will haul.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to purchase four snow wedge tires from Sandhill Oil for the 140H grader. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the road use agreement with NPPD. Tabled until the November 19th meeting.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to renew the JD Link account for the John Deere loader. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. NACO voting delegation form completed for the December conference. No other action taken.



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

GENERAL FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	442.92
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	2952.16
BEST WESTERN PLUS	LODGING	90.00
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	8180.74
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	269.94
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	423.39
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT	MEALS	284.92
RICHARD COOK	MILEAGE	383.94
CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	765.61
CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF	INMATE COSTS	2720.00
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	406.47
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	850.63
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	56.95
GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES	SUPPLIES	137.97
GWORKS	DATA PROCESSING	3900.00
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE	276.90
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	46.80
CHAUNCEY J. LINN	1/2 NOV LAWN	270.00
MIPS INC	DATA PROCESSING	1183.63
PAMELA MOODY	MILEAGE	400.20
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1162.15
PRESTO X	SERVICES	55.00
RAMADA INN	LODGING	178.00
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	530.81
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	7924.80
TAX VALUATION INC	SERVICES	10000.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	7.35
THOMAS CO TREASURER	EXTENSION	5395.17
U S BANK	FUEL	78.74
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	92.88
SALARIES		26057.87

ROAD FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	743.72
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC	SUPPLIES	152.88
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD	INSURANCE	1940.50
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	140.39
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	56.29
KEITH HARTMAN	BOOT REIMB	75.00
L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL	10061.60
NEAL LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	11.05
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	213.81
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	1125.80
NMC EXCHANGE LLC	REPAIRS	343.64
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	2671.36
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	1669.57
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENTS	14628.93
VISION CARE DIRECT	INSURANCE	37.30
SALARIES		6609.05

PRETRIAL FUND-

VIAERO WIRELESS	PHONE	60.08
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VISITORS FUND-

CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.	PRINTING	12.45
OUTLAW PRINTERS	PROMOTION	500.00
SANDHILLS JOURNEY SCENIC BYWAY	KAYAK RACE	1491.11
RONALD E SOWDERS	PROMOTION	245.00
WITT, TWYLA	LABELS	78.73



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EXTENSION FUND-

AFLAC	INSURANCE	60.45
AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	281.01
CALLS GARAGE INC	REPAIRS	107.00
COLUMBIA INSURANCE GROUP INC	INSURANCE	533.00
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	314.00
CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	392.00
AMANDA DAVIS	MILEAGE	191.40
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	72.05
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	29.40
HOMETOWN LEASING	COPIER LEASE	178.00
TL MEYER	FUEL	18.80
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	142.31
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	148.57
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	948.13
SALARIES		3181.80

LIBRARY FUND-

AMERITAS	RETIREMENT	155.99
COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO	INSURANCE	154.06
CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC	PHONE	119.82
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	107.39
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	6.37
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	17.40
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	29.06
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	308.71
SALARIES		1108.77

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC	INSURANCE	11.70
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE	STATE TAXES	1.59
SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC	FUEL	66.17
SECURITY FIRST BANK	FEDERAL TAXES	45.04
SYNCB/AMAZON	BOOKS	321.08
SALARIES		270.32

Office reports:

Clerk presented fee report for the month of October 2019. Discussion was held on purchasing iPads for the board of commissioners and planning board to help cut the expense of copies and postage. NIRMA dividend check of \$2,269 was received for Thomas County.

Zoning Administrator questioned whether to raise the special use (conditional use) permit fee from \$100 to \$200. The publishing and mailing costs for these permits are costing the county more than they receive in the \$100 fee. Board asked that other counties rates be obtained before making a decision.

Upcoming Election dates for 2020 were discussed.

Treasurer reported on receiving \$1,944 from the PILT lawsuit that the county joined. The county library also received a grant from NIRMA in the amount of \$500 to help purchase an AED for the library.

The treasurer has been participating in an online leadership course for the last 12 weeks and will be graduating from the course on Friday November 8th. Our treasurer has also been nominated for the Next Generation Award given at the NACO conference in December.

Sheriff reported that the vandalism at the shop had been taken care of. He also reported on the NIRMA training to be held on November 20th.



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

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve changing the name of Koroy Loop to West Koroy Lane and East Koroy Lane. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment:

Merial Rhoades told the board that she was impressed with how they conduct their meeting. Also addressed concerns of conflict of interest on planning board members.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

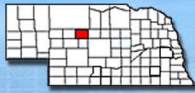
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, November 19th at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 19, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, Merrial Rhoades, Jay Jones, Judy Rath and County Attorney Kurt Arganbright.

Chairman Seeley 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, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the November 19, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the November 5, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on November 14, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Lloyd Smith reported that the Armor coat project will not happen this year. The County will need to rebid this project next spring. Figgins Construction ran out of warm weather to complete the job.

Troy Palmer with the Forest Service reported to Commissioner Seeley that the Gaston Bridge project was completed for now and expressed his appreciation for the help from county employee Ed Schukei.

Lloyd Smith also reported that the State-County bridge match program was available again this year. The consensus of the board was to have Lloyd to file an application for the bridge match program.

Lloyd also reported that he had talked with Paul Kieper on the Federal disaster from 2018 on South Seneca.

The road use agreement with NPPD was reviewed again with the suggested changes from NIRMA. Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the road use agreement with NPPD. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

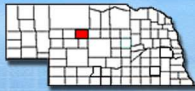
The Clerk will email NPPD a copy of the agreement with the changes.

Correspondence presented. NACO convention information was discussed.

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

GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	EXPENSE	220.00
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT	MEALS	129.35
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	73.98
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	13.03



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ANGELA M. FRANZ	ATTORNEY FEE	530.00
KORTNEI HOEFT	ATTORNEY FEE	250.00
NACO	REGISTRATIONS	250.00
NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER	TRAINING	200.00
PEARSON'S INC	SUPPLIES	10.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	STAMPS	110.00
SECRETARY OF STATE	ID CARDS	20.00
STAMP FULFILLMENT SERVICES	POSTAGE	332.25
TAX VALUATION INC	SERVICES	5000.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	6.85
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	NOV BILL	1432.45
THOMAS COUNTY LIBRARY	BOOKMOBILE	838.75
VARNEY HEALTHMART	INMATE COSTS	20.69
ROAD FUND-		
L & L GRAVEL	MATERIAL	465.92
POWERPLAN	REPAIRS	381.41
SHAFFER COMMUNICATIONS INC	SERVICES	630.00
EXTENSION FUND-		
CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES	OFFICE SUPPLY	392.00
MCI	PHONE	49.60
LIBRARY FUND-		
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	142.50

Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported that the 2019 tax list has been delivered to the County Treasurer. The 2019 CTL has been filed with the State of Nebraska.

Report on surrounding counties special/conditional use permit fees:

Cherry County – Conditional Use permit fee is \$50 plus advertising costs; Building permit \$0 (both require they file a cattle country easement with the Clerk’s office, typically costing \$10per easement)

Logan County – Conditional Use permit fee is \$50; Building permit fee \$25

Lincoln County – Conditional Use permit fee is \$200 plus cost of certified letters; Building permit fee \$150

Custer County – Conditional Use permit fee is \$225; Building permit fee \$50

Hooker County – Conditional Use permit fee is \$100; Building permit fee \$20

This item of discussion will be placed on the December 3rd agenda.

Treasurer presented the financial report for October. The 2019 tax statements will be printed this week and mailed out around the first of December.

Andrea also reported that she had won the NACO Next Generation Award and will receive this award at the NACO meeting in December.

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

Chairman Seeley opened the public hearing on the Thomas County Zoning Regulations at 10:30 a.m.

Jay Jones, as member of the Thomas County Planning Commission was available to answer questions of the proposed regulations. The concerns for the setbacks for solar energy were discussed. He stated that the setbacks for wind energy were stricter due to flicker and noise.



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Merial Rhoades addressed the board with her concerns on the setbacks for solar stating that they need to be similar to the wind energy setbacks. She also stated concerns about the reflection from the solar panels causing driving hazards.

Judy Rath addressed concerns about not having any requirements in the zoning regulations for voluntary easements for solar like there is for the wind energy. She would also like to see something included requiring power purchase agreements filed with the applications for solar farms.

No other public comment.

Chairman Seeley closed the public hearing at 11:01 a.m.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to accept/adopt the Thomas County Zoning Regulations as presented today. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment – Merial Rhoades and Judy Rath informed the board about landowner problems in Chambers with NPPD.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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Attest:

John B. Seeley, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, Clerk



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Agenda of the
THOMAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
December 17, 2019 – 9:30 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
This meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners has been properly advertised and is being conducted under the guidelines of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. A copy of the Open Meeting Act is posted on the north wall of the Commissioners meeting room. Copies of the Open Meetings Act Statutes are available to anyone attending this meeting and are also on file in the County Clerk's office.
4. Statement of Publication for December 17, 2019 regular meeting – published December 5, 2019/TC Herald
5. Adoption of December 17, 2019 agenda
6. Statement of Publication of December 3, 2019 regular meeting minutes – published December 12, 2019/TC Herald
7. Approval of December 3, 2019 regular meeting minutes

Roads-

8. Discussion/Action regarding road projects
9. Discussion/Action regarding Resolution #2019- , Year End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form
10. Discussion/Action regarding One & Six Year road plan
11. Discussion/Action regarding hauling off the surplus auction equipment that was never retrieved after auction
12. Address Correspondence
13. Claim Items
 - Approval/Disapproval of claims presented
14. Office Reports / Fee Reports
 - Approval/Disapproval of office/fee reports

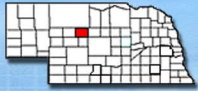
11:00 a.m. – West Central Health Department & NMS Labs Toxicology Training

Shannon and Jonathan Figliomeni

Post-Mortem Toxicology Testing: Better Understanding of Drug Suspected Deaths Through Local Partnerships

Description:

In situations where a proper autopsy does not occur, toxicology testing can offer context into a death. Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, through the Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program Grant, has partnered with NMS Labs to subsidize some post-mortem toxicology testing services. General guidelines for the program are that NE DHHS will cover the full cost of basic or expanded panels of drug suspected deaths (for any reason) irrespective of the results of the screening.



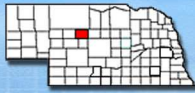
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15. Public Comment

16. Adjourn

This agenda, which shall be kept continually current, shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during normal business hours. Also available for public inspection will be any corresponding documentation that is provided to the Clerk's office prior to the meeting. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 17, 2019

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Theedford, NE. Members present were John Seeley, Pam Moody and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Sheriff Gary Eng, Shannon Vanderheiden-West Central Health Department, and Jonathan Figliomeni-Nebraska Department of Health.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on December 5, 2019.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the December 17, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the December 3, 2019 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on December 12, 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Discussion was held on the replacement of the hydraulic cylinder for the Dump Truck. A suggestion of contacting Central States Hydraulic- Lincoln NE was made. The road men should bring the results to the January 7th meeting.

Ed reported that the new tires are on the 140H grader. A surplus list will be started listing the old tires and any other equipment that needs surplus.

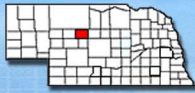
Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve Resolution #2019-16, Year-End certification of the County Highway Superintendent. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was had on the projects for the 2020 1 & 6 year road plan. Projects discussed were on Heritage Rd, Fuller Lane, West Purdum Ave and North Seneca, S Seneca from Childers Hill to Ringgold Rd, and any projects leftover from the 2019 road plan not completed. A public hearing will be held in February.

A Bridge match application has been completed for Daly Bridge, a joint application with Custer County through the State of Nebraska was submitted. This is the third year of applying for matching funds to repair/replace bridges throughout the State of Nebraska.

Discussion was held on developing a Federal Procurement Policy to meet the requirements of FEMA for any future disaster assistance. This will be on the January 7, 2020 agenda.

Discussion was held on hauling off the remaining equipment that was sold through Auction Time last year but was never picked up by the buyer. The road men will call around to see if anyone will accept the equipment that is left. They will have a report for the January 7th meeting.



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Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	LABOR	430.00
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT	MEALS	112.37
CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	399.01
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	249.64
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	122.15
GARY J. ENG	MILEAGE	241.28
HAMPTON INN-KEARNEY	LODGING	1319.40
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEAL	163.76
K C ELECTRIC	SERVICES	1334.96
KENDAL TEICHMEIER	SUPPLIES	90.00
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	DUES	450.00
REGION 26	3RD QTR	7797.40
SANDHILLS WEED MANAGEMENT AREA	PRINTING	200.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	79.30
THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY	COPIES	12.25
ANDREA THOMAS	MILEAGE	156.60
U S BANK	FUEL	103.11

ROAD FUND-

CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	91.58
KRIS GANOUNG	LOT RENT	300.00
POWERPLAN	REPAIRS	84.58
SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	1942.28

EXTENSION FUND-

CUSTER COUNTY CHIEF	SUBSCRIPTION	44.00
AMANDA DAVIS	MILEAGE	42.92
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	205.58
HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE	SUBSCRIPTION	25.00
KWIK STOP	FUEL	19.68
MAILFINANCE	POSTAGE	134.85
MCI	PHONE	49.05
TL MEYER	FUEL	23.65
SECURITY FIRST BANK	BOX RENT	28.00
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA EXTENSION	REGISTRATION	100.00
UNL PRINT AND COPY SERVICES	SUPPLIES	261.02

DEBT SERVICE FUND-

SECURITY FIRST BANK	PAYMENT	29022.64
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Office reports:

Clerk reported that the John Deere loader loan will be paid off with today's claims. Reviewed what loans would be paid off in 2020.

The server room door and mechanical room door by the extension office will be getting deadbolt locks installed. Roy Licking will do the work for us.

New election equipment training for the Clerk's office will be held in January. Both the Clerk and the Deputy will be attending the 1 ½ day training so the office will be closed if no one is available to open the office for us. Once the date is set this will be decided.

Assessor report was about the soil conversion throughout the State of Nebraska. The soil conservationist changed some of the classifications of soils throughout the state after the approval of LB372. Soil classifications in the past were set by the dryland capability, now the classifications are set based on the grass capability if you have grass.



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Sheriff reported that the deputy sheriff will graduate on Friday, December 20th. A reception for his graduation and a congratulations to the County Treasurer Andrea Thomas on her award will be held on Monday, December 30th from 2 pm – 4 pm at the Courthouse.

Treasurer presented the financial report for November. She also reported that tax money has been coming in after she mailed out the tax statements earlier this month.

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

Shannon Vanderheiden and Jonathan Figliomeni reported on the Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program through the State of Nebraska for post mortem toxicology testing that is available to counties. Information on opioid abuse was presented to the board. County Sheriff Gary Eng will be registering an account with NMS Labs to join this program.

No public comment.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 9:15 a.m. (Organizational meeting) with the regular meeting following at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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