



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Organizational Meeting
January 5, 2021

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 9:15 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/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Sheriff Gary Eng, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman.

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 24, 2020.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to adopt the January 5, 2021 organizational meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to elect Pam Moody as the 2021 Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Abstain – Moody. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to elect Jim Purdum as the 2021 Vice Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley. Nays – Moody. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to set the regular board meeting dates as the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 9:30 a.m. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to set the following deadlines for meetings:

Notice in the paper – 10 days prior to the meeting

Claims turned into the Clerk's office by the Friday before the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to set the 2021 observed holiday dates as: New Year's Day -January 1st, Martin Luther King, Jr Day – January 18th, President's Day – February 15th, Good Friday – April 2nd, Arbor Day – April 30th, Memorial Day – May 31st, Independence Day – July 5th, Labor Day – September 6th, Columbus Day – October 11th, Veteran's Day – November 11th, Thanksgiving and the Friday after – November 25th & 26th, Christmas Eve Day – December 24th, New Years Day (observed) December 31st. ** and/or any designated holiday by the Nebraska Governor and/or President of the United States providing no court or board meeting are scheduled on said days. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to name the Thomas County Herald as the official news publication for Thomas County. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to name www.thomascountynebraska.us as the official county website. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve Resolution #2021-1, setting Security First Bank, Thedford as the official county depository. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve Resolution #2021-2, authorizing the Thomas County Treasurer authority to invest county funds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley appointing Richard Cook as the Thomas County Weed Superintendent. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to appoint Gary Eng as the Thomas County Emergency Manager. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to appoint Lloyd Smith as the Thomas County Highway Superintendent. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to appoint Lloyd Smith as the Thomas County Surveyor. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to appoint Lorissa Hartman as the Thomas County Zoning Administrator. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to appoint Richard Cook as the Thomas County Veteran's Service Officer. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to name the following board appointments:

Region II – Pam Moody

West Central District Health Department – Pam Moody & Ronda Haumann

West Central Area on Aging – Pam Moody

Region 26 – Gary Eng

Lexington Solid Waste – Jim Purdum

West Central Development District – John Seeley

Sandhills RC & D – John Seeley

Thomas County Safety Committee – Jim Purdum

Upper Loup NRD Drought Plan – Jim Purdum

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

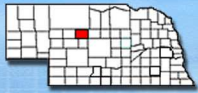
No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

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Attest:



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Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
January 5, 2021

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session immediately following the organizational meeting at 9:38 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 Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, Dusty & Mindy Paxton, Deputy Sheriff Joseph Smith, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright and County Sheriff Gary Eng.

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 December 24, 2020.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the January 5, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the December 15, 2020 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on December 24, 2020. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Dusty & Mindy Paxton were present at the meeting to ask about the timeframe for work completion on Childers Lane. The board advised that it is scheduled to be first on the list in the spring, at this time. The county will use the clay out of the pit near Childers Lane to build up the road and Dusty will pay for the rock needed on the road.

The Clerk presented the quote from Randy Andersen to cut/shred trees in the road ditches. The County Attorney will draft an agreement to be used for this project. This will be on the agenda for the January 19th meeting.

Grader conditions were discussed. No action taken at this time.

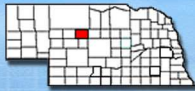
Decision was made to make two new auto gates; the county currently has one extra on hand. Decision was made to replace an auto gate by Dan Naber's and on River Rd. Keith will price metal with Maseberg's and Sandoz'r LLC.

Bridge discussion included Daly Ln bridge inability to get a load rating. County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith will talk with another bridge contractor to see what can be done. Lloyd will also try to get preliminary numbers together for the bridge replacement at Randy Andersen's.

The board reviewed the current road maintenance map. More discussion will happen at the January 19th meeting.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the Agreement with Lloyd Smith for the duties of the County Highway Superintendent. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. The lease with NDOT was discussed. No action taken.



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

GENERAL FUND-

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|---------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 367.17 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2848.28 |
| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES | 485.00 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 7831.60 |
| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR | REPAIRS | 80.83 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 203.15 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 474.80 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 367.58 |
| CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF | INMATE HOUSING | 50.00 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 476.61 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 4.78 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 81.60 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1292.64 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 1145.01 |
| NEBRASKA UC FUND | UNEMPLOYMENT | 80.68 |
| REGION 26 | ASSESSMENT | 8066.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL/PROPANE | 907.09 |
| SCHOOL HOUSE GRAPHICS | SIGNAGE | 186.87 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 7361.61 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | POSTAGE | 5.30 |
| THOMAS COUNTY COURT | COURT COSTS | 119.00 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 400.50 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| SALARIES | | 23593.19 |

ROAD FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 750.99 |
| BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC | SIGN SUPPLIES | 236.26 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | REPAIRS | 50.77 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 61.33 |
| MARILYN HEAVICAN | CULVERT REIMB | 560.00 |
| MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT | JD LINK | 435.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 13.07 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 215.60 |
| NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC | REPAIRS | 61.92 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 937.25 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 330.03 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 948.95 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1648.04 |
| THOMAS COUNTY AIRPORT AUTH | 2021 LEASE | 111.00 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 148.50 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 6508.93 |

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

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| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 105.87 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 281.55 |
| MARCY ANDERSEN | OFFICE SUPPLY | 42.49 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 275.46 |
| HOMETOWN LEASING | COPIER LEASE | 178.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 3.49 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 53.56 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 19.49 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 515.79 |
| SALARIES | | 1773.01 |



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LIBRARY FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 164.53 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 117.62 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 7.50 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 115.33 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | COPIER METER | 34.82 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 16.47 |
| HINTON'S LOCK & ALARM | SERVICES | 79.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 0.28 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | PROPANE | 299.87 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 239.72 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | SUPPLIES | 85.56 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 148.50 |
| SALARIES | | 1380.82 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 301.50 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| THE CREATIVE COMPANY | BOOKS | 134.03 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 3.13 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 57.18 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 60.50 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | BOOKS | 12.99 |
| SALARIES | | 362.06 |

Office reports:

Clerk presented fee report for the month of December 2020.

A help wanted ad will be in the January 7th paper for the Clerk's office. Part time position to be filled at this time.

Treasurer reported that information has been emailed to the Auditor prior to his arrival at the courthouse. The Treasurer's office has started issuing checks online and no longer issue handwritten checks.

Sheriff presented the fee report for the last quarter of 2020. He gave an activity report for the month of December. All forest contract funds have been received from the 2020 contract.

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

Discussion was held on the COVID-19 paid sick leave policy. Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to extend the current COVID-19 paid sick leave policy until March 31, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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 11:49 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 9:30 .am., 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:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Regular Meeting
January 19, 2021

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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 January 7, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the January 19, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the January 5, 2021 organizational meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 14, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the January 5, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 14, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Discussion was held on the grading of pink roads and main traveled roads. A work session was held on the existing road maintenance classification map. More information will be compiled and discussed at the February 2nd meeting.

Material for building two new auto gates was ordered from Maseberg's.

The 140H grader rust hole repairs were discussed.

Andrea and Keith have prepared a map for tree shredding.

The tree shredding contract for roadway ditches was tabled until the February 2nd meeting.

County Clerk reported that Lloyd Smith had called this morning and reported that he is in contact with an engineer that may be able to help load rate the Daly Bridge.

Correspondence presented. A letter for Consolidated Telephone was signed by the Chairman of the board to report the work completed on the Rural Broadband Remote Access Grant for Thomas County. No other action taken on the correspondence.



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

GENERAL FUND-

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| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | ADMIN EXP | 850.00 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| RICHARD J DONHAUSER | SNOW REMOVAL | 510.00 |
| NE CLERKS OF DISTRICT COURT ASSOC | 2021 DUES | 50.00 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | POSTAGE | 275.00 |
| SANDHILLS WEED MANAGEMENT AREA | DUES | 200.00 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | POSTAGE | 4.40 |
| U S BANK | FUEL | 83.00 |

ROAD FUND-

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| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 85.41 |
| POWERPLAN | REPAIRS | 156.20 |

EXTENSION FUND-

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| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PUBLISHING | 14.61 |
| GRANT COUNTY NEWS | PUBLISHING | 11.28 |
| HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE | PUBLISHING | 9.07 |
| MCI | PHONE | 50.98 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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| R7 CUSTOMS, LLC | SERVICES | 489.50 |
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Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported on CRP land in Thomas County and the need to contact the landowner to get a map showing the location of the CRP land.

Treasurer presented the December 2020 financial report.

Don Wilson-Auditor stopped in to say hello to the board and ask if they had any questions for him.

Sheriff office presented their activity report.

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

Rich Cook annual weed report was tabled until the February 2nd meeting.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 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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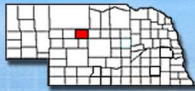


Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
February 2, 2021

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, Jim Purdum and John Seeley. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Weed Superintendent/County Veteran’s Service Officer Richard Cook, Deputy County Sheriff Joseph Smith, County Sheriff Gary Eng, and County Attorney Kurt Arganbright.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on January 21, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the February 2, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the January 19, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on January 28, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Lloyd Smith reported that he had talked with Mainelli-Wagner and Associates about the Daly Bridge load rating. The advice was given to load the bridge at the last known classification load rating of 3 ton and to do an inspection on the bridge yearly.

Road employees gave a report on maintenance/condition of all equipment.

Discussion was held on the road maintenance classification map. More time needed to complete the study of land ownership on all single use roads.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the tree shredding contract with amendments. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. Figgins Construction letter was discussed for any future road projects this summer. Lloyd Smith will contact Figgins and see where, if any, the cold mix will be available for purchase this summer.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 367.17 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2739.78 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 7831.60 |
| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS | REPAIRS | 847.94 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 203.15 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 459.42 |
| RICHARD COOK | SUPPLIES/MILEAGE | 147.69 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 598.08 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 452.34 |



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| DUGAN PRINTING & PROMOTIONS, LLC | ENVELOPES | 83.86 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES/METER | 649.86 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 50.60 |
| LORISSA HARTMAN | MILEAGE | 73.92 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 81.60 |
| MIPS INC | SUPPLIES | 103.60 |
| NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS | REGISTRATION | 600.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 23.97 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 1111.23 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 278.35 |
| SANDHILLS R C & D | DUES | 50.00 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 7163.15 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 18.60 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | POSTAGE | 9.10 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| SALARIES | | 22870.84 |

ROAD FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 664.62 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | REPAIRS | 1260.04 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 84.95 |
| MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC | DRUG TESTING | 35.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 183.22 |
| NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC | REPAIRS | 214.44 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 993.10 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 214.95 |
| POWERPLAN | REPAIRS | 1523.08 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 2577.71 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1460.95 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 5936.39 |

VISITORS FUND-

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| MALY MARKETING | SERVICES | 240.00 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

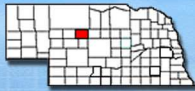
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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 253.85 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 277.17 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 83.20 |
| HOMETOWN LEASING | COPIER LEASE | 178.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 44.43 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 15.30 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 434.69 |
| SALARIES | | 1469.23 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 114.08 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 118.62 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 23.50 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 173.93 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 11.17 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 22.96 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 1.37 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 191.58 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | SUPPLIES | 71.44 |
| SALARIES | | 1109.54 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS | REPAIRS | 98.54 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 5.76 |



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| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 133.40 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 74.18 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | BOOKS | 30.33 |
| SALARIES | | 441.95 |

Office reports:

Assessor/Clerk reported that Ag land will probably be seeing a 10% increase in value from \$465/acre to \$510/acre. Home sites will increase from \$11,000 to \$15,000; farm sites will increase from \$1,000 to \$2,000; and additional acres will increase from \$500 to \$800.

Wind damage to the shingles of the courthouse roof has been reported to NIRMA. Once the snow melts, we will need to get pictures of the roof sent to them.

Fee report from January 2021 was presented.

Clerk of the District Court responsibilities were discussed, another legislative bill has been introduced to turn the responsibilities of the District Court office over to the County Court office. More information will be obtained from the Judicial Branch on how this would be handled.

Deputy Sheriff reported that the Sheriff is working with Terry Baxter of NIRMA to do CPR and Stop the Bleed training in March. The Deputy Sheriff will be attending VIN training in April.

LB50 has been introduced and would increase the requirements of continuing education for law enforcement officers to 40 hours/year.

Rich Cook/Veterans Service Officer gave a report on the activity within his office. He is at the courthouse every Tuesday afternoon from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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

Discussion on reappointments to the Thomas County Planning Commission were discussed. Commissioner Moody stated that some members contacted needed time to consider whether they would like to remain on the board. Discussion was then held on reducing the number on the board from 9 members to 7 members. More information will be obtained before a decision is made.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to reappoint Royce Jennings to the Thomas County Planning Commission for the term 2021-2023. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the Management Representation letter with Don Wilson for the FY2020-2021 audit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to surplus the following equipment:

Dell Precision T1600 Computer (server 19Z5V1)

APC Pro Backup 1500 (server room)

Dell Computer (treasurer 3HK1382)

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

Chairman Moody opened the 1 & 6 Year Road plan hearing at 11:00 a.m.

No public present to ask questions.

Chairman Moody closed the 1 & 6 Year Road plan hearing at 11:08 a.m.



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Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve Resolution #2021-3, 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Rich Cook/Thomas County Weed Superintendent presented his annual report to the board.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the Annual Weed report. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 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:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
February 16, 2021

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 John Seeley. Absent-Jim Purdum. Purdum arrived at 10:54 a.m. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, County Sheriff Gary Eng and Jessica Fenske with Healing Hearts and Families.

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 February 4, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to adopt the February 16, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes- Seeley, Moody. Absent- Purdum. Nays-none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve the February 2, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on February 11, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Absent-Purdum. Nays-none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

The material for building the new auto gates has not arrived yet.

The John Deere loader was plugged into the Seneca Auditorium on Sunday morning so that the streets and cemetery could be cleaned for the funeral on Monday.

Discussion was held on updating the road maintenance classification map.

Correspondence presented. The West Central District meeting is planned for March 25th in Ogallala. Registration is due on March 22nd.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES | 485.00 |
| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | ADMIN EXP | 1400.00 |
| CENTRAL PLAINS VALUATION, LLC | SERVICES | 15442.50 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 36.99 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 410.75 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1193.70 |
| NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS | 2021 DUES | 75.00 |
| NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT | SERVICES | 244.00 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 7.95 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | POSTAGE | 2.75 |
| U S BANK | FUEL-ENG | 40.65 |

ROAD FUND-

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| BOMGAARS | SUPPLIES | 35.93 |
| SCHOOL HOUSE GRAPHICS | SIGN | 59.02 |



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**PRE-TRIAL FUND-
VIAERO WIRELESS**

PHONE 106.50

SANDHILLS CATTLE ASSN

GRANT 1500.00

**EXTENSION FUND-
MCI**

PHONE 52.39

Jessica Fenske with Healing Hearts and Families discussed with the board and county attorney about the juvenile diversion program that is available for the county.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve entering into the Memorandum of Understanding to join the Healing Hearts and Families Juvenile Diversion program. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Absent- Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Office reports:

Assessor discussed current land sales in the area.

Sheriff gave a weather and road activity report.

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

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve Resolution #2021-4, declaring September 13, 2021 as Larry Dix Day. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody. Nays – Seeley. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve Resolution #2021-5, to uphold the 2nd Amendment right. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays- none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve Resolution #2021-6, to decrease the number of planning board members to a board of (7) seven. Roll call vote: Ayes- Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Chairman Moody adjourned the meeting at 11:24 a.m.

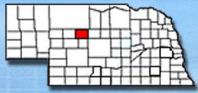
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the 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:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
March 2, 2021
Regular Meeting Minutes

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, Jim Purdum and John Seeley. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Deputy Sheriff Joseph Smith, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, County Sheriff Gary Eng, and County Weed Superintendent Rich Cook.

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 February 18, 2021.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the March 2, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the February 16, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on February 25, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Lloyd Smith reported that Figgins Construction will be in the area this summer and we will need to figure how much cold mix we will need for the projects this summer. South Maple Street will need a 5 inch overlay. Patch projects on West Purdum and S Seneca (Madron Hill). Lloyd will get a price per ton proposal from Figgins to help figure the project expenses.

The County is still waiting on the auto gate material to arrive. The road men will install a new auto gate by Dan Naber's on Wednesday March 3rd.

Keith will talk with Tom Licking to arrange a date to start work on Childers Lane. The county will also need to call in a locate before work can begin.

The Commissioners agreed that the county will buy the mud rock available at L & L Gravel to add to the stockpile site.

Bridge discussion was held on Randy Andersen's bridge. The commissioners asked Lloyd Smith to start the process of getting specs together for replacing this bridge. Commissioner Purdum also asked Lloyd Smith to talk with Ed Hoebet about the back walls on the Daly Bridge.

Commissioner Purdum will contact Werner Construction about the material left at Frank Warren's pit to see if they would be agreeable to come crush the pile that remains and then the county would haul off the crushed material.

Tree shredding bids were opened. Two bids were received: Russell Licking bid was for \$250/hour.

Randy Andersen bid was for \$145/hour, \$10 load/unload charge and Mileage at the set rate.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to accept the bid from Randy Andersen for tree shredding. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Correspondence presented.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 367.17 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2795.13 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 7831.60 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 203.15 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 467.02 |
| RICHARD COOK | EXPENSES | 71.44 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 836.24 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 452.34 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 81.60 |
| MENARD'S | SUPPLIES | 12.90 |
| MID PLAINS COMMUNITY COLLEGE | TRAINING | 50.00 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1193.70 |
| NACO | REGISTRATIONS | 85.00 |
| NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY TREASURERS | 2021 DUES | 50.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 23.97 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 1115.27 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL/PROPANE | 1135.19 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 7228.91 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | POSTAGE | 4.20 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| DONALD D WILSON | AUDIT EXPENSE | 6800.00 |
| SALARIES | | 23,372.23 |

ROAD FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 655.12 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 112.73 |
| LAWSON PRODUCTS | TOOL/SUPPLIES | 406.33 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 61.56 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 176.96 |
| NEBRASKA PETERBILT FORD | REPAIRS | 93.52 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 1347.80 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL/PROPANE | 1030.61 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1433.27 |
| SHAFFER COMMUNICATIONS INC | GPS | 630.00 |
| TWIN RIVERS URGENT CARE | SERVICES | 20.00 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 5883.24 |

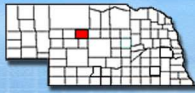
VISITORS FUND-

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| SANDHILLS JOURNEY SCENIC BYWAY | ADVERTISING | 575.00 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 239.55 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 277.17 |
| HOMETOWN LEASING | COPIER LEASE | 178.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 40.52 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 407.71 |
| SALARIES | | 1401.30 |

LIBRARY FUND-



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| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 353.40 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 118.49 |
| FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS, INC. | DATA PROCESSING | 744.83 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 13.79 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | PROPANE | 419.89 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 165.20 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | SUPPLIES | 26.48 |
| SALARIES | | 983.49 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 4.88 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 120.46 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 61.28 |
| SALARIES | | 364.88 |

Office/Fee Reports:

Clerk fee report from February 2021 was presented to the board.

Assessor reported that gross value will increase to \$510/acre, irrigated will stay the same at \$2,100/acre, waste will remain the same at \$150/acre. Homesite value will increase to \$15,000 for the 1st acre, farm site 1-10 acres will increase to \$2,000/acre and any additional acres will increase to \$800/acre.

These values were determined based on sales filed through September 30, 2020. The sales that have happened after that date will be used to set values in 2022.

Treasurer reported that she had no attendance for the delinquent tax sale on Monday March 1st. Financial report for January 2021 was presented to the board.

Sheriff reported that they are watching some legislative bills that will not be good for small counties. The US Forest Service has not presented a law enforcement contract to review. The last contract ended as of December 31st. NIRMA will be here on March 11th for CPR, Stop the bleed and Fire Extinguisher training.

Rich Cook visited with the board about his continuing education hours for 2020 year.

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to appoint Mark Nutter to the Thomas County Board of Adjustments. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The Audit report for FY ending June 30, 2020 is completed and on file in the County Clerk's office.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the FY audit report ending June 30, 2020. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the Charron Lawn Care fertilizer plan for 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.



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The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. The agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
March 16, 2021
Regular Meeting Minutes

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 Jim Purdum, John Seeley and Pam Moody. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, TL Meyer-Central Sandhills Area Extension Office, Deputy Sheriff Joseph Smith and County Sheriff Gary Eng.

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 March 4, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the March 16, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the March 2, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on March 11, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith reported that he had spoken with Figgins Construction about purchasing cold mix. For 330 ton of cold mix the cost would be \$32,670 delivered. The board asked him to obtain 2 more informal bids for cold mix. He will also check with Figgins about armor coating the Maple Street south project.

Lloyd also reported that he had talked with Husker Steel about preparing specs for the Andersen Bridge. He also tried to get in touch with Ed Hoevet about the Daly Bridge, but Ed was out of town, hope to have more information at the April 6th meeting.

Commissioner Purdum reported that he had been talking with Paulsen about the millings from the airport project. At this time no price has been set to purchase the millings.

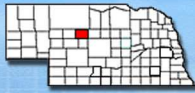
Discussion was held on the road maintenance plan.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES | 485.00 |
| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | LABOR | 1200.00 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 440.20 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 86.24 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 66.65 |
| NACO | REGISTRATION | 150.00 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 34.30 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | EXTENSION | 5680.56 |



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| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | POSTAGE | 9.65 |
| ROAD FUND- | | |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 98.47 |
| MASEBERG RANCH | AUTO GATE | |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | EXPENSE | 7181.80 |
| | REPAIRS | 54.28 |
| PRETRIAL FUND- | | |
| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 213.00 |
| VISITORS FUND- | | |
| FLAGSHIP PUBLISHING INC | SERVICES | 400.00 |
| EXTENSION FUND- | | |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 139.87 |
| MCI | PHONE | 51.75 |
| QUADIENT LEASING | COPIER LEASE | 134.85 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 111.05 |

Office reports:

Clerk reported that Gary had been working on obtaining a bid for a generator for the courthouse.

Assessor reported that the Real Property Abstract had been completed and filed with the state on March 12th.

Treasurer presented the financial report for February 2021.

Sheriff reported that the forest contract had been approved and is waiting on signatures to be returned to his office. CPR, Stop the Bleed and fire extinguisher training was completed with NIRMA last week.

TL Meyer reported that the 4H assistant has resigned effective March 31st, this is a position through UNL and will need to go through the University process of hiring. TL also reported on upcoming programs that will be presented by Extension.

Commissioner Moody reported on attending the 30x30 meeting in Valentine last week. Discussion was had the County will be submitting a Resolution in opposition. The Clerk used the sample draft provided by the American Stewards and submitted it to the County Attorney for his approval. The board will have this on the agenda for the April 6th meeting.

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

Sheriff Gary Eng presented a letter of resignation to the board, effective April 30, 2021. Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to accept the letter of resignation from Sheriff Gary Eng. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum.

Chairman Moody would like to acknowledge and thank Gary for his 15 years of service to Thomas County.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.



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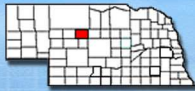
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
April 6, 2021
Regular Meeting Minutes

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, Jim Purdum and John Seeley. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, Deputy Sheriff Joseph Smith, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Jay Gormly-Nebraska Land Surveying, Dave Masek, Richard Jameson, Jason Chaplin and Johanna Nutt of Custer Public Power District.

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 March 25, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the April 6, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the March 16, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on March 25, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Commissioner Seeley reported that he had received a call from Walter Collier about road gravel. The board agreed to haul 4 loads of road gravel.

Commissioner Moody reported that she had received a call from Royce Brown about the water along the south side of Railroad St in Seneca. Lloyd and Pam will be in contact with the railroad for assistance on this project. The board members agreed to have Commissioner Moody and Lloyd Smith set the project in motion.

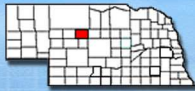
Road employees reported on projects they are working on.

Discussion was held on Ewoldt Road. No further action at this time.

Lloyd Smith reported on quotes he received for cold mix. Figgins quote was \$99/ton and Topkote quote was for \$275/ton. Doug Boyer of Cherry County Roads suggested that the Thomas County Road department with the assistance from Cherry County make their own cold mix material for less.

Jay Gormley and Richard Jameson presented the subdivision plat for Thedford Heights. Richard Jameson has already built the road for the subdivision and is requesting that the county do maintenance and snow removal on the road in the subdivision. 11 lots are for sale, with approximately ½ mile of road to maintain and provide snow removal. Individual driveways off of Thedford Heights Blvd will be the responsibility of the landowner.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to accept and approve the Thedford Heights subdivision, plat and roadway easement. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Discussion was held on repair to Daly Bridge and replacement of the Andersen Bridge. Ed Hoevet and Dennis Coufal will be submitting proposals for Daly Bridge repair. Husker Steel presented an estimate for the Andersen Bridge of \$230,000. Discussion was held on the need for a county easement on Dakota Lane. Lloyd estimated that to cost of the survey for the county easement to be approximately \$1,500 to \$2,000. He recommends that we have this easement before starting construction on a bridge. The board also discussed that they would like to have the new bridge in the same location as the old one, so the contractors would need to work with landowners to gain access to the south side of the river. More discussion on the bridges will be held at the May 4th meeting.

The one lawn care bid was opened at 10:30 a.m., the bid was from Richard Donhauser for \$550 per month. Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to accept the bid from Richard Donhauser for lawn care. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented from NIRMA, library census, and bridge inspections. No action taken.

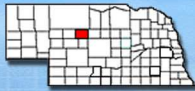
Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 367.17 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2989.28 |
| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES | 485.00 |
| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | ADMIN EXP | 3100.00 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 7831.60 |
| BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC | SUPPLIES | 454.60 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 203.15 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 447.66 |
| RICHARD COOK | MILEAGE | 152.88 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 527.83 |
| RICHARD J DONHAUSER | SNOW REMOVAL | 490.00 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 282.33 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 3.59 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 81.60 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1193.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 1173.26 |
| NEBRASKA UC FUND | UNEMPLOYMENT | 117.94 |
| NIRMA | CPR MANUALS | 90.00 |
| REGION 26 | ASSESSMENT | 8066.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 401.58 |
| SANDHILLS AREA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION | SHERIFF DUES | 100.00 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 7576.54 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 7.95 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | POSTAGE | 59.80 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | POSTAGE | 6.05 |
| THOMAS COUNTY LIBRARY | BOOKMOBILE | 944.66 |
| THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF | PAPER SERVICE | 46.50 |
| ANDREA THOMAS | MILEAGE | 131.04 |
| U S BANK | SUPPLIES | 249.99 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 400.50 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| SALARIES | | 24,665.74 |

ROAD FUND-

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| GEORGE A. ALLARD | FORMS | 920.00 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 759.60 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC | SUPPLIES | 88.46 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 4.79 |
| L & L GRAVEL | MATERIAL | 1200.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 35.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 218.60 |



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| NEBRASKA PETERBILT FORD | REPAIRS | 151.30 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 747.80 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 27.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 1968.42 |
| SANDHILLS MOTORS | REPAIRS | 108.35 |
| EDWARD SCHUKEI | CDL PHYSICAL | 130.00 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1667.34 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 148.50 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 6565.41 |

PRETRIAL FUND-

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| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 106.50 |
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VISITORS FUND-

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| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 1117.29 |
|------------------------------|-----------|---------|

EXTENSION FUND-

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|---------------------------------|---------------|---------|
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 280.65 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| COLUMBIA INSURANCE GROUP INC | INSURANCE | 3231.00 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 277.17 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 45.27 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 53.19 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 52.59 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 504.63 |
| SALARIES | | 1711.75 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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|------------------------------|---------------|---------|
| BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC | SUPPLIES | 100.16 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 119.47 |
| CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE INC. | CRAFT | 123.30 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 106.07 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | COPIER METER | 31.22 |
| JOSEPH BENJAMIN MASTEN | SERVICES | 187.50 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 15.84 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 216.94 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 148.50 |
| SALARIES | | 1293.63 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| KIM MILLS | REIMBURSE | 119.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 4.31 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 123.73 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 62.00 |
| SALARIES | | 370.05 |

Office reports:

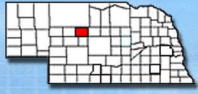
Clerk presented office fee report for the month of March.

Gworks will be doing a presentation on April 20th for a road tab/Simple Roads addition to the county's Gworks site.

A new flag retirement box has been installed in the front entry way of the courthouse. U.S. flags that are tattered, torn, or faded may be dropped into the box for proper retirement.

The Clerk ordered a desk from Cornhusker Industries for her office at the cost of \$1,308.

Treasurer reported on the COVID American Rescue Plan funds the county will be receiving. A new fund and bank account needs established to monitor all receipts and expenditures.



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Reminder: The end of April is when the first half of taxes are due.

Sheriff office presented fee report for the first quarter. The deputy sheriff also reported on the transition within the office.

The deputy sheriff reported that markings have been painted along the side of highway 2 in case a plane would need to land to fill for fire, due to the closing of the airport for repairs.

Chairman Moody opened the public hearing at 10:45 a.m. for the Custer Public Power District special use permit. Jason Chaplin, Custer Public Power District, explained the current metering system and what the new system could provide.

No public comment.

Chairman Moody closed the public hearing at 10:52 a.m.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the special use permit of Custer Public Power District in PT. NE1/4SW1/4 Section 26 Township 21N Range 28W. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none.

Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the 30x30 land grab resolution. The board compared the Keith County resolution with the resolution that had been prepared for Thomas County. A few changes were made to the original resolution prepared. Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2021-7, opposing federal governments “30x30” land preservation goal. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the 2021 US Forest Service contract with Thomas County for \$7,800. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the SDL application for the Sandhills Corral on April 24, 2021 at the Halsey Forest Lodge. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

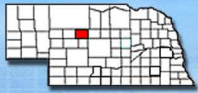
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting. The board will meet on April 20, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. to have a work session on the road maintenance plan prior to the regular meeting.

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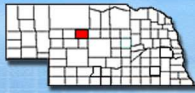
Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

April 20, 2021

County Road Maintenance plan work session Minutes

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 8:30 a.m. to discuss the existing road maintenance plan. Members present were Pam Moody, John Seeley and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman and County Treasurer Andrea Thomas.

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on April 15, 2021.

The board preceded to go down the list of roads in the county to determine if the type of maintenance needed to be changed on the existing road maintenance plan.

A new color was added to the maintenance plan. Yellow is defined as a single home down the road but having multiple landowners that had land along the road. Yellow road maintenance includes material and maintenance on the portion of road that is multiple ownership, the remaining portion (single ownership) of the road leading to the house will be considered pink.

The roads that were previously coded as pink (single use) were reviewed to determine land ownership along the entire road. If the road only had one owner along the entire road to the home it remained pink. If the road had multiple land owners along the road that led to one home it was changed to yellow.

Eastern Thomas County Roads with color changes:

| <u>2014 Maintenance Plan</u> | <u>Proposed</u> |
|------------------------------|--|
| Andersen Lane – Pink | Yellow |
| Ayres Lane – Pink | Yellow |
| Carr Lane – no color | Red |
| Daly Lane – Pink | Yellow |
| Day Road – Pink | Yellow |
| Eaton Lane – Pink | Yellow |
| Florea Lane – Pink | Yellow |
| Gaston Road – Pink | Yellow (checking with US Forest Service) |
| Golf Course Lane – no color | ? |
| Hanna Lane – pink | Yellow (Blaine County Road Agreement) |
| HD Lane – pink | Red |
| W Koroy Lane – red | Pink |
| Quarterhorse Lane-? | Red (Blaine County Road Agreement) |
| River Valley Lane- pink | Yellow |
| Ryman Rd – Red | Yellow |
| Scenic River Road – pink | Red |

Western Thomas County Roads with color changes:

| <u>2014 Maintenance Plan</u> | <u>Proposed</u> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Call Lane – pink | Red |
| Connell Lane – pink | Yellow |
| Coyote Run – red | Pink (railroad road?) |



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| Dakota Lane – pink | Red |
| Diamond E Lane – pink | Yellow |
| Finney Loop – pink | Yellow |
| Homestead Lane – pink | Yellow |
| Johnston Lane – pink | Yellow |
| Llama Lane – pink | Yellow |
| Walker Lane – pink | Yellow |

A new map will be drawn up showing the changes and then the board will schedule a public hearing to hear comments. No date for the hearing set at this time.

Regular Meeting began at 9:30 a.m.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners
April 20, 2021
Regular Meeting Minutes

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, Johns Seeley and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Deputy County Sheriff Joseph Smith, and Jay Jones.

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 April 8, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the April 20, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the April 6, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on April 15, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

The work on Childers Lane is scheduled to start on Wednesday, April 21st.

Commissioner Moody reported that she had heard from Royce Brown that the water is beginning to drain in the pond by the road. Lloyd Smith is still to talk with the railroad about repairing the road.

Discussion on material. Blaine County has been purchasing crushed limestone in South Dakota.

John reported that he has tried to contact Lance Harder from Oak Creek Engineering about load rating the Daly Bridge.

Tyson Larson gave a remote demonstration on Simple Roads software. No action was taken at this time.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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



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GENERAL FUND-

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| BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC | SUPPLIES | 185.99 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 352.03 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 560.56 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 72.85 |
| FREY'S HEATING AND AIR COND INC | SERVICES | 1037.21 |
| GALLS LLC | SUPPLIES | 399.44 |
| JUSTIN LEE | REFUND | 17.00 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | POSTAGE | 59.00 |
| PRESTO X | SERVICES | 58.00 |
| U S BANK | ZOOM/FUEL | 614.03 |

ROAD FUND-

| | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| B'S ENTERPRISES INC | BLADES | 2958.00 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 92.57 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 83.16 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 2260.24 |
| POWERPLAN | REPAIRS | 5014.59 |

EXTENSION FUND-

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|------------------------|----------|--------|
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 36.99 |
| HOMETOWN LEASING | LEASE | 178.00 |
| MCI | PHONE | 51.62 |

LIBRARY FUND-

| | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------|
| BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC | SUPPLIES | 185.99 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 212.51 |
| JOSEPH BENJAMIN MASTEN | SERVICES | 50.00 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
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Office reports:

Clerk reported on the need for crack sealing around the courthouse, sidewalks and parking lot. Neben Construction has been contacted first.

The Thomas County Reports & Opinions are online with the Nebraska Department of Property Assessment. Statewide Equalization hearings began on April 16th.

West Central Assessor meeting to be held on Friday April 23rd in North Platte. The courthouse will be closed on Friday, April 30th for Arbor Day. Personal property schedules are due May 1st, since that is on a Saturday the deadline will be Monday, May 3rd.

Treasurer presented a financial report. Reminder that 1st half of taxes are due April 30th.

Sheriff office reports that the forest contract has been signed by the US Forest Service and returned. Deputy Smith will be attending VIN training in Grand Island on April 28th. Office activity report was discussed.

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to appoint Joseph Smith as the Thomas County Sheriff effective May 1, 2021 thru December 31, 2022 to fill out the remainder of the term. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none.



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Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to appoint Joseph Smith as the Thomas County Emergency Manager effective May 1, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve Resolution #2021-8, establishing the 2580 COVID American Rescue Plan fund. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on finding a replacement for Al Atkins on the Thomas County Planning Commission. No action taken. Tabled.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, May 4th 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 in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 4, 2021

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, John Seeley and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road employees Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Weed Superintendent Rich Cook, Ed Hoevet, Dennis Coufal, County Sheriff Joseph Smith, and Eric Handler of Congressman Adrian Smith's Grand Island office by telephone.

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 April 22, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the May 4, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the April 20, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on April 29, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Ed Hoevet and Dennis Coufal met with the board to discuss options on the Daly Bridge. Ed Hoevet Excavating had three separate estimates for different work that could be done on the bridge. Work ranged from driving new pilings, replacing sheet piling in abutments, adding onto existing pilings, replacing 4 wings and 2 abutments, and removing old pilings. No action was taken on any estimates from Ed Hoevet. Board would like to review estimates with Lloyd Smith before proceeding.

Dennis Coufal of Midwest Sales and Service had two options for material needed for the work on Daly Bridge. Backwall and Wings material cost is \$32,693.64. Backwall only material is \$18,778. Discussion was had on the price for the materials only being good until May 7th. Material costs are constantly changing and on the rise.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to purchase the bridge material to replace the backwall at the cost of \$18,778. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Other road discussion included the work on Childers Lane should be completed tomorrow.

Auto gate from Fuller Lane will be taken out and moved to Connell Lane. Connell's will install the auto gate.

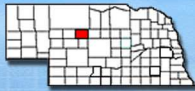
A twelve foot auto gate on E. Antelope will be replaced with a twenty foot auto gate. The twelve foot auto gate will be moved to McMillan Ave (Steve Morrison place).

No gravel is available for purchase at this current time.

Crack sealing and armor coating of Purdum Ave was discussed.

Maple Street south project was also mentioned. The road men will need to get some cold mix out of North Platte to patch holes before these projects can begin.

Commissioner Moody will visit with Lloyd Smith about questions on Daly Bridge before requesting a load rating with Oak Creek Engineering.



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No correspondence presented.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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|------------------------------------|---------------|----------|
| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 253.29 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 3038.59 |
| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES | 485.00 |
| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | LABOR | 1850.00 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 7831.60 |
| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS | SERVICES | 90.31 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 203.15 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 489.87 |
| RICHARD COOK | EXPENSES | 364.84 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 612.80 |
| RICHARD J DONHAUSER | LAWNCARE | 550.00 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 16.65 |
| LORISSA HARTMAN | MILEAGE | 72.80 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 64.20 |
| PATRICK M. HENG | SERVICES | 80.00 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1193.70 |
| NACO | REGISTRATIONS | 195.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | PAINT | 18.47 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 1166.48 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | POSTAGE | 130.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL/PROPANE | 1034.43 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 7161.95 |
| APRIL SMITH | CAKE | 50.00 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 1.20 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | POSTAGE | 5.50 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| SALARIES | | 23705.53 |

ROAD FUND-

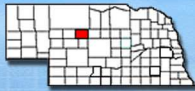
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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 685.88 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | REPAIRS | 297.59 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 192.92 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 1938.38 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 862.50 |
| POWERPLAN | REPAIRS | 132.14 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL/PROPANE | 5229.83 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1505.52 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 6077.01 |

VISITORS FUND-

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| FLAGSHIP PUBLISHING INC | ADVERTISING | 400.00 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

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|---------------------------------|------------|---------|
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 255.63 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 277.74 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 18.19 |
| CUSTER COUNTY CHIEF | PRINTING | 9.55 |
| JAY HOLTHUS | MILEAGE | 77.28 |
| HOOKE COUNTY TRIBUNE | PRINTING | 9.07 |
| MCI | PHONE | 52.86 |



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| NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY EXTENSION | NACEB DUES | 100.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 94.92 |
| SANDHILLS CORRAL | BRD MTG MEAL | 99.23 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 538.63 |
| TRISH WEBER | MILEAGE | 20.72 |
| SALARIES | | 1331.19 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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|--------------------------------|---------------|--------|
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 118.94 |
| FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS, INC. | SERVICES | 199.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 7.08 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | PROPANE | 335.72 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 160.02 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | SUPPLIES | 25.78 |
| SALARIES | | 958.77 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS | REPAIRS | 146.50 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 1.39 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 53.68 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 30.10 |
| SALARIES | | 180.40 |

Office reports:

Clerk presented fee report for the month of April.

Personal property returns were due in the office by May 1st.

TERC has not ordered a show cause hearing for the values in Thomas County.

Al Atkins has submitted his resignation for the Thomas County Planning Commission.

Reminder: Budget workshop is May 13th in North Platte. Board of Equalization workshop is June 9th in Kearney. AFLAC representative will be here at the courthouse on Tuesday, May 18th at 9 a.m.

Treasurer reported that the majority of tax collections came in on Monday, May 3rd. The tax disbursements for all political subdivisions will be dispersed in June rather than May.

Treasurer's workshop will be in Ord the week of June 7th.

Sheriff reported that the transition in the office has been completed. He is currently using the pickup for any calls at the Halsey forest.

Library activity report presented to the board.

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

Rich Cook, County Weed Superintendent presented the Annual Weed report assessment. Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to accept/approve the annual weed report assessment. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Eric Handler phoned in with an activity update report from Congressman Adrian Smith's office. Topics covered included: 30x30 plan, bill to terminate the 30x30 act, Biden Tax plan, American Rescue Plan and trade. The board encouraged the Congressman to keep up the fight.



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The 2021-2022 Blue Cross Blue Shield plan was reviewed. The NACO plan had an increase of 3.28%. Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to keep the NACO Blue Cross Blue Shield plan with the current \$1,000 deductible, \$30/OV copay. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried. No public comment.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley 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 18, 2021 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 in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
May 18, 2021

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, Johns Seeley, and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright and County Sheriff Joseph Smith.

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 May 6, 2021.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the May 18, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the May 4, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on May 13, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Discussion was had on the availability of road material.

The board agreed to order 1,500 ton of road gravel from Triple G and L & L Gravel.

Childers Lane has been completed.

Material from airport discussed. Lorissa will contact Ron Masten about the status of the material.

Discussion was had on the water on Railroad Street in Seneca. Pam will talk with Royce Brown about the second pond drainage issues.

Lloyd Smith reported that the railroad will work with the county to get the road built up, county will provide the dirt and the railroad will provide the rock, once the drainage issue is cleared up.

Daly bridge discussion was held.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to direct Lloyd Smith to obtain 3 informal bids to drive 8 10 inch x 40 foot pilings, pilings driven to obtain bearings, replace sheet piling in both abutments, and remove old piling. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

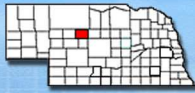
Andersen Bridge on Dakota Lane was discussed.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to direct Lloyd Smith to obtain formal bids for the replacement of the bridge on Dakota Lane. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Application for additional work on third priority road received for Eaton Lane.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the application for additional work, county will haul material that is paid for by landowner on Eaton Lane. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.



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Chairman Moody recessed the regular meeting to go into Board of Equalization at 11:05 a.m.

Chairman Moody reconvened the regular meeting at 11:11 a.m.

Road discussion, continued:

Doug Boyer of Cherry County Roads had told Lloyd Smith that he checked out Maple Street to the Hillcrest cemetery and advised that he could help Thomas County with the project. Before the project could start the shoulders need cut back and the holes hand patched. He would have cold mix available to blade patch afterwards. Then it would be ready for armor coating.

Armor coat projects to be reviewed are:

Maple Street south

S. Seneca (portion from Jennings to Roger Licking)

Purdum Ave

The board needs to get a map to Lloyd Smith showing the areas to be armor coated.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | COMPUTER | 5237.5 |
| CHARRON LAWN CARE | FERTILIZER | 400.00 |
| CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES | DESK | 1308.00 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 65.00 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 367.82 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 25.95 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 36.77 |
| GWORKS | SERVICES | 4780.00 |
| LORISSA HARTMAN | MILEAGE | 75.04 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 50.00 |
| NACO | DUES/REGISTRATION | 1011.41 |
| NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS | WORKSHOP | 125.00 |
| NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY TREASURERS | NACT WORKSHOP | 100.00 |
| SENECA HISTORICAL PRESERVATION SOCI | ELECTRICITY | 2000.00 |
| THOMAS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY | ELECTRICITY | 2000.00 |
| ANDREA THOMAS | MILEAGE | 75.04 |

ROAD FUND-

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| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 70.53 |
| JEFFRES SAND & GRAVEL | GRAVEL | 1902.16 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 899.15 |
| SHAFFER COMMUNICATIONS INC | GPS SERVICE | 630.00 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE GPS | 5.55 |

VISITORS FUND-

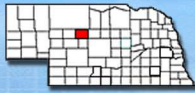
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| BUSINESS VIEW MAGAZINE | ADVERTISING | 1150.00 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

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| CUSTER COUNTY CHIEF | BRD MTG NOTICE | 9.55 |
| GRANT COUNTY NEWS | BRD MTG NOTICE | 6.58 |
| QUADIENT LEASING | POSTAGE | 64.46 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
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Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported that change of value notices will be mailed out next week.

Reported on the reply from Jodi Gibson for the NEMA/FEMA funds from the 2018 disaster.

Treasurer presented the fee report for May. She also reported that the first half of the ARPA funds have been deposited in the bank. She provided the board guidance documents on how this money was to be spent.

Sheriff gave an activity report. He has purchased a laptop computer for his vehicle and will be eliminating the clerical staff in the sheriff's office.

He also reported that the county will be receiving two AEDs from a grant to be installed in the law enforcement equipment.

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

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the SDL application for Thedford Rural Fire Department on June 19, 2021 at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. Roll call vote: Ayes - Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to purchase 3 iPads with email accounts for the County Board members. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to appoint Shane Pettit to the Thomas County Planning Commission to fill out the term of Al Atkins. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays -none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the contract with Central Plains Valuation for assessment work. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No Public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

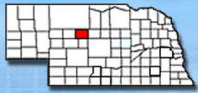
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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 1, 2021

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, John Seeley and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Weed Superintendent Rich Cook and County Sheriff Joseph Smith.

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 May 20, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the June 1, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the May 18, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on May 27, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to enter into executive session to conduct performance appraisals of the county road department. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried. Entered executive session at 9:31 a.m.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to exit executive session. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried. Exited executive session at 9:58 a.m.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to increase the hourly rate of the road department to \$16.40 per hour (2% increase). Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Commissioner Moody has visited with Royce Brown about the water issue on Railroad St. He is still working on getting the water to drain on his property.

Clerk reported for the Lloyd Smith on the bids for Daly Bridge, Andersen Bridge and Armor coat bids.

Question was asked who is responsible for approaches off county roads for entrance to pastures with gates. The county attorney or highway superintendent will have to provide the answer.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 253.29 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2294.43 |



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| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 7831.60 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 40.63 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 471.43 |
| RICHARD COOK | REGISTRATION | 171.04 |
| RICHARD J DONHAUSER | MAY LAWN CARE | 550.00 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 531.48 |
| GALLS LLC | SUPPLIES | 23.64 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 64.20 |
| MARSHALL & SWIFT/BOECKH, LLC | SUPPLIES | 477.95 |
| NATIONAL SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION | DUES | 63.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 857.67 |
| NEXTONER, LLC | TONER | 75.59 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | POSTAGE | 129.00 |
| PRESTO X | SERVICES | 58.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL/SPRINKLERS | 428.11 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 5645.76 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 17.95 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | POSTAGE | 114.80 |
| THOMAS COUNTY LIBRARY | BOOKMOBILE | 408.00 |
| THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF | PAPER SERVICE | 28.00 |
| U S BANK | SHERIFF SUPP | 737.25 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| SALARIES | | 19664.22 |

ROAD FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 696.28 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| KEITH HARTMAN | PHONE | 120.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 12.90 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 209.04 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 525.00 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 125.65 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 3591.07 |
| EDWARD SCHUKEI | PHONE | 120.00 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1715.76 |
| TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC | MATERIAL | 496.83 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 7201.01 |

PRETRIAL FUND-

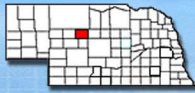
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| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 53.90 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 255.63 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 1940.50 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 277.74 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 94.92 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 84.05 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 557.75 |
| SALARIES | | 1446.63 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 119.66 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 6.23 |



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| JOSEPH BENJAMIN MASTEN | SERVICES | 50.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 13.28 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 10.27 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 165.84 |
| U S BANK | ANTIVIRUS | 342.20 |
| SALARIES | | 990.50 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 1.75 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 185.74 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 55.16 |
| SALARIES | | 331.35 |

Office reports:

Clerk reported that the office will be closed on Friday, June 11th due to a conflict with schedules. The Clerk will be attending the Clerk’s workshop in York.

Discussed legislative bills that the county will need to be aware of.

Treasurer reported that her office will begin selling Nebraska Game & Parks permits once training has been completed. Treasurer workshop will be next week in North Platte.

Sheriff reported on the Region 26 assessment increase for the next fiscal year. Technology upgrades in the office were discussed.

Custer County has been in contact with his office about road signs found in Custer County that belong to Thomas County. He has also been notified that the BJ Ranch road sign has been stolen again.

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

Sheriff presented a list of items that needed surplussed from the Sheriff inventory. Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to surplus the items listed on the report. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to reappoint Ted Taylor (term expiring 2025) and Bobbi Scott (term expiring 2026) to the Thomas County Veteran’s Service board. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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 10:59 a.m.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 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



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in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

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Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
June 15, 2021

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, John Seeley and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road employees Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, and County Sheriff Joseph Smith.

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 June 3, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the June 15, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the June 1, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on June 10, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith reported that had submitted Daly Bridge information for bids to Perrett Construction, Simon, Norfolk Contracting and Ed Hoevet. We received a bid from Perrett Construction of \$84,474 and Hoevet for \$9,750, \$17,940, and \$30,420 depending on work to be completed. The other two companies did not send in any informal bids.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to award the bid to Ed Hoevet for the \$17,940 work, which includes driving 8 10 inch x 40 foot pilings, replace sheet piling abutment, crane and labor. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith reported that he had mailed out to 11 contractors about the armor coat projects for the summer. He also has advertised for formal bids and will be opened at the July 20th meeting.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the agreement with MILCO Environmental Services Inc to provide Wetland Delineation services/corps permitting on the Andersen Bridge. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Andersen Bridge formal bids will be opened at the July 20th meeting.

Lloyd Smith also questioned about an auto gate for Norway Ave. This is for the land sold at the Reynolds Ranch Auction. The sale flyer stated that the auto gate and fence would be at the expense of the owners of Parcel 1 and Parcel 2. The county will require that the owners of the two parcels install an 18 foot auto gate at their expense.

The 163H road grader has some mechanical issues. The decision was to have CAT come up and take a look at it. Commissioner Seeley reported that he had talked with Jack Johnston about the millings at the airport. An invitation to attend the June 21st Thomas County Airport meeting was extended. John will not be available to attend that meeting so Commissioner Moody will attend to discuss the millings.



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Commissioner Seeley and Purdum passed on compliments to road employee Ed Schukei for his cold mix patching on Purdum Rd.

Question was brought up about trees that were cut down on a landowner's property and now those trees sometimes blow out into the roadway along Purdum Rd. The board will talk with County Attorney to see how to handle the situation.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2021-9, transferring \$280,000 from County General to Roads. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. 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.

GENERAL FUND-

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| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES | 485.00 |
| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | ADMIN EXP | 1190.00 |
| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS | REPAIRS | 702.74 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 681.26 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 192.13 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 16.57 |
| HAMPTON INN | LODGING | 196.00 |
| LORISSA HARTMAN | MILEAGE/MEALS | 324.14 |
| PATRICK M. HENG LAW OFFICE, PC, LLO | SERVICES | 371.80 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1193.70 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | POSTAGE | 75.00 |
| RAMADA INN | LODGING | 267.00 |
| AMANDA M. SPEICHERT | SERVICES | 160.00 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 5.00 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | POSTAGE | 3.30 |
| ANDREA THOMAS | MILEAGE | 75.04 |
| U S BANK | SMITH/FUEL | 95.52 |

ROAD FUND-

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| CROELL, INC. | COLD MIX | 2823.75 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 490.89 |

EXTENSION FUND-

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| JESSICA BILLINGSLEY | MILEAGE | 67.20 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 274.21 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 25.28 |
| MCI | PHONE | 52.11 |
| TL MEYER | EXPENSES | 402.59 |
| TAMI MILLER | MILEAGE | 56.00 |
| QUADIENT LEASING | POSTAGE LEASE | 134.85 |
| UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA | IPAD | 658.00 |
| UNL PRINT AND COPY SERVICES | PRINTING | 243.41 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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| CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE INC. | CRAFTS | 194.14 |
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BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
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DEBT SERVICE FUND-

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| SECURITY FIRST BANA1:C43K | PAYMENT | 29022.64 |
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Office reports:

Clerk reported that work will begin on the next fiscal year budget with the Treasurer and NACO starting June 16th.

The air conditioner needs replaced in the Sheriff's office at the cost of approximately \$3,800.

Fee report for the month of May was presented to the board.

ARPA fund requests by Consolidated and Village of Thedford were discussed.

Simple Roads by Gworks was discussed. At this time the board would like to wait and see how the budget process goes.

The software is too expensive at this time.

Treasurer presented the financial report for the month of May. ARPA funds discussed. The Treasurer will act as the administrator for the ARPA funds and file all reports needed.

Sheriff reported that he attended training in North Platte last week, after the training he was awarded 2 AED units to be installed in the patrol vehicles.

Computer will be installed in the Tahoe next week. Upcoming taser training. Thedford Fire department poker run will be Saturday June 19th.

Emergency Manager report: The Region 26 will see an increase to the budget request this year. Unfunded mandates and the decrease in landline fees are part of the increase.

Commissioner Moody reported on the Board of Equalization workshop she attended in Kearney.

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to accept the report from Consolidated and sign the completion of the DED project. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the SDL application for Sandhill Oil on July 24, 2021 at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none.

Chairman Moody recessed the regular meeting at 11:00 a.m. to enter into the public hearing on changes to the Thomas County Zoning Regulations.

No public comment at this time.

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to “strike” the word Special out of 6.61 purpose: To have the sentence read “Solar Energy conversion systems, excluding solar farms, shall be permitted in all zoning districts as a permitted use.” Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to add in the AG District under 5.13, under permitted accessory uses and structures:

- Personal use solar as described in 6.63, Personal scale solar energy conversion system requirements
- Personal use wind as described in 6.56, Setbacks and design requirements

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



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Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to add in the RC District under 5.23, under permitted accessory uses and structures:

- Personal use solar as described in 6.63, Personal scale solar energy conversion system requirements
- Personal use wind as described in 6.56, Setbacks and design requirements

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to add in the AGR District under 5.33, under permitted accessory uses and structures:

- Personal use solar as described in 6.63, Personal scale solar energy conversion system requirements
- Personal use wind as described in 6.56, Setbacks and design requirements

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to add in the Commercial District under 5.43, under permitted accessory uses and structures:

- Personal use solar as described in 6.63, Personal scale solar energy conversion system requirements
- Personal use wind as described in 6.56, Setbacks and design requirements

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

Discussion was held on personal use of vehicle for bookmobile services. The bookmobile is currently awaiting repair parts at this time. After review with the County Insurance and County Attorney guidelines were established to allow for personal use of vehicle.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to allow the personal use of vehicle for bookmobile services, as long as the required conditions established by the county attorney were met. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to accept the 2021-2022 NIRMA insurance renewal with the current deductibles. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

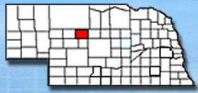
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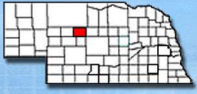
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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 6, 2021

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/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Dave Masek, Bryan Rodocker, TL Meyer, County Sheriff Joseph Smith, Deputy County Attorney Warren Arganbright, and Calvin Davidson-Western Engineering.

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 June 24, 2021.

Motion made Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the July 6, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the June 15, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on June 24, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Bryan Rodocker and Dave Masek met with the board and discussed Daly Bridge.

Road discussion:

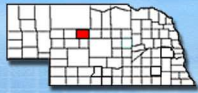
Lloyd Smith reported on the utility permit from Viaero. Several issues were discussed, first the payment was not included with the permit application. The other issue involved what looks like land located within the Village of Halsey. The clerk will send the permit to Viaero and collect the proper fees. Lloyd will contact Viaero to see if there is any land located in the Village of Halsey and direct Viaero to the Village board for approval.

Commissioner Purdum stated that Dusty Paxton had inquired about when the county could haul material to Childers Ln. Clerk will check the minutes to see what the agreement states.

163H grader repairs discussed. The CAT mechanic believes that there is an issue with the main hub and a fiber bearing. Repair will need to be done in North Platte.

Commissioner Moody reported on the Airport meeting she attended. The airport will give the county the leftover millings and in exchange the county will level off the parking lot and do minor repairs. Road personnel Keith Hartman also met with Ron Masten, Thomas County Airport board to mark off the millings the airport board would like to retain. Ron had mentioned that the airport was to give the Golf course and Thedford Fire Department several loads. Commissioner Moody would like to talk with Ron Masten to clarify everything before the county proceeds.

Commissioner Seeley asked if the county could obtain a permit from the Corp of engineers to put some of the clean concrete in places. Lloyd will check on these permits.



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Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to rent the telehandler for Neben Construction to repair the roof at the shop. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. Quote from TT Tree Service was reviewed to clean up the spruce trees on the courthouse lawn. The volunteer trees and vines will be cleaned from the spruce trees. Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve the quote and work from TT Tree Service of \$200. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

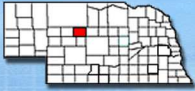
Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

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|------------------------------------|---------------|----------|
| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 357.74 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2303.10 |
| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES | 534.20 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 8384.95 |
| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS | REPAIRS | 16.00 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 40.63 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 488.09 |
| RICHARD COOK | MILEAGE | 263.76 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 461.75 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 394.11 |
| RICHARD J DONHAUSER | LAWNCARE JUNE | 550.00 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 47.92 |
| GALLS LLC | SUPPLIES | 146.53 |
| GARRETT TIRES & TREAD | REPAIRS | 95.20 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 64.20 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1235.84 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 50.94 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 847.63 |
| NEBRASKA UC FUND | UNEMPLOYMENT | 51.80 |
| NIRMA | INSURANCE | 10070.00 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | BOX RENT | 350.00 |
| PRESTO X | SERVICES | 61.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 301.22 |
| SANDHILLS WEED MANAGEMENT AREA | PRINTING | 82.75 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 5611.62 |
| CHEVAS SHAW | SERVICES | 697.50 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 7.20 |
| THOMAS COUNTY COURT | FILING FEE | 17.00 |
| U S BANK | FUEL | 41.57 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 400.50 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| SALARIES | | 19653.33 |

ROAD FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 751.81 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | REPAIRS | 159.36 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 64.53 |
| INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO | REPAIRS | 61.02 |
| L & L GRAVEL | MATERIAL | 1220.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 4.99 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 233.52 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 4099.99 |
| NIRMA | INSURANCE | 10394.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 3870.55 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1829.91 |
| TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC | MATERIAL | 442.05 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 148.50 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 7496.25 |



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**PRETRIAL FUND-**

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| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 81.38 |
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VISITORS FUND-

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| NIRMA | INSURANCE | 62.00 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

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| SHANIYA ALBERTUS | SUPPLIES | 3.29 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 276.25 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 190.67 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 116.89 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 101.35 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | BOX RENT | 122.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 71.23 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 595.53 |
| SALARIES | | 1527.76 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 60.45 |
| BEN'S COMPUTER CONCEPTS | SERVICES | 56.25 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 117.95 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 109.02 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | COPY METER | 46.96 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 27.53 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 8.69 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 13.59 |
| NIRMA | INSURANCE | 1480.00 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 176.62 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | SUPPLIES | 68.69 |
| SALARIES | | 1052.40 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS | REPAIRS | 872.69 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| JOSEPHINE MORRIS | MILEAGE | 20.16 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 2.13 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 94.29 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 45.30 |
| SALARIES | | 271.36 |

Office reports:

Clerk discussed the NACO conference in December. Before rooms can be reserved the individual must be registered for the convention first. All elected officials asked to be registered and rooms reserved.

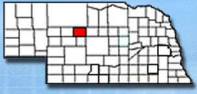
Fee report for June was presented to the board. Clerk reported that no protests were filed by the June 30th deadline.

Treasurer reported that the PILT funds were received in June for the forest land. The 2020-2021 fiscal year has been closed and balanced. The semi annual statement will be presented to the board and published in the newspaper.

Sheriff quarterly fee report was provided to the board and reviewed. Discussed budget concerns about court appointed counsel and inmate costs for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Midwest Transport was hired to transport an inmate from the Custer County jail for court this morning.

Emergency Manager report was on the Region 26 budget for 2021-2022.

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



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TL Meyer presented the proposed 2021-2022 Central Sandhills Area Extension office budget.

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

Chairman Moody recessed the regular meeting at 11:00 a.m. to open the public hearing for the portable asphalt plant with Western Engineering.

No public questions or concerns were received.

Calvin Davidson reviewed the plans for the plant.

Chairman Moody closed the public hearing at 11:05 a.m.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Moody to approve the special use permit for the portable asphalt plant with Western Engineering. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Abstain – Seeley. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the agreement with Election Systems & Software LLC. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on changing the Veteran's Service Officer pay from a monthly salary to hourly. Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to pay the Veteran's Service officer a \$12/hour rate. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

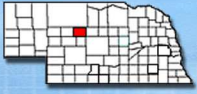
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 20, 2021

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, John Seeley and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, County Sheriff Joseph Smith and County Attorney Kurt Arganbright.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on July 8, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the July 20, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the July 6, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on July 15, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Discussion was had on S. Railroad St in Seneca. Commissioner Moody reported that the road had dried up and that the county could begin hauling dirt in to build up the road. The railroad will provide rock for the road afterwards. Road employee Hartman is to talk with the railroad before starting the project.

Airport millings were discussed. The county will be hauling the millings onto the portion of S Seneca by Madron Hill going south. Commissioner Purdum will be in charge of contacting trucks to help haul the millings on August 4th- 6th. He will also contact Tom Licking to run the grader to spread out the millings. After completed this will be armor coated.

Commissioner Moody reported that work on the Daly bridge will begin the week of July 26th.

Equipment repairs were discussed.

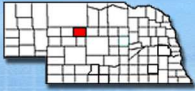
Application for individual use road was received for Childers Ln. Account with Triple G has been set up by the landowner. Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the application for Childers Ln. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Ed Schukei will haul the gravel next week.

Correspondence presented. Utility permit from Viaero was reviewed, the application fee of \$300 has not been received yet. Pictures will be taken of the right of way condition prior to work beginning. Once the permit fee is received, Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith will give approval on the project.

Chairman Moody recessed the regular meeting at 10:30 a.m. to enter into Board of Equalization.

Chairman Moody reconvened the meeting at 10:40 a.m.



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

GENERAL FUND-

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| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | ADMIN EXPENSE | 1450.00 |
| CHARRON LAWN CARE | LAWN CARE | 400.00 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 639.12 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | COPIER/SUPPLIES | 614.20 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 5.97 |
| GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES LLC | SUPPLIES | 235.35 |
| PATRICK M. HENG LAW OFFICE, PC, LLO | ATTORNEY FEES | 230.00 |
| LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK | PROBATION | 1123.55 |
| MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES | SERVICES | 207.00 |
| NACO | REGISTRATION | 900.00 |
| PRESTO X | SERVICES | 61.00 |
| REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER | ASSESSMENT | 1281.00 |
| REGION 26 | ASSESSMENT | 9333.63 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 10.49 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | EXTENSION | 5639.62 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | POSTAGE/FEES | 837.30 |
| TT TREE SERVICE | TREE REMOVAL | 250.00 |
| U.S. POSTAL SERVICE | POSTAGE | 333.60 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | PHONE | 52.19 |

ROAD FUND-

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| GEORGE A. ALLARD | AUTO GATE SILL | 920.00 |
| RANDY L ANDERSEN | SERVICES | 3753.76 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 62.82 |
| L & L GRAVEL | MATERIAL | 940.28 |
| MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC | DRUG TESTING | 35.00 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 204.36 |

VISITORS FUND-

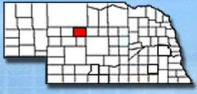
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| FLAGSHIP PUBLISHING INC | SERVICES | 400.00 |
| THOMAS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY | SPONSORSHIP | 250.00 |

EXTENSION FUND-

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| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SERVICES | 55.00 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 3.98 |
| JAY HOLTHUS | MILEAGE | 77.28 |
| KWIK STOP | FUEL | 18.77 |
| MCI | PHONE | 50.56 |
| SANDHILLS CORRAL | EXT MTNG MEALS | 131.47 |
| TRISH WEBER | MILEAGE | 41.44 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE INC. | SUPPLIES | 78.68 |
| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.5 |
| JOSEPHINE MORRIS | MILEAGE | 71.12 |



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Office reports:

Clerk reported that the August 3rd & 17th meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. to allow for extra time to work on the budget. The August 17th meeting will probably continue after lunch.

Treasurer presented the semi annual statement and financial report for the month of June.

Sheriff gave a report on the Distress Warrants.

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to accept the Region II Human Services budget share for 2021-2022 and to make the payment annually. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Dakota Lane “Andersen Bridge” bids were opened at 11:00 a.m. Only one bid from Norfolk Contracting was received. No action taken at this time, tabled until August 3, 2021 meeting.

Board authorized Commissioner Moody and Lloyd Smith to sign any Corp permit paperwork when available.

Budget work session began on office budgets.

Armor coat bids were opened at 11:45 a.m.

Two bids were received:

Figgins Construction - .43 square yard

Topkote - .55 square yard

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to accept the bid from Figgins Construction with a start date of August 16th and completion date of September 30, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

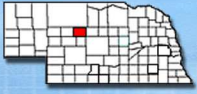
Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:16 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

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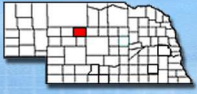


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Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 3, 2021

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 8:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Pam Moody, John Seeley and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, John Webster-Murphy Tractor, road personnel Ed Schukei, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, County Sheriff Joseph Smith, and Pamela Mann-Region II.

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 July 22, 2021.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the August 3, 2021 meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the July 20, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on July 29, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Budget work session was held until 9:30 a.m.

Road discussion:

Childers Ln is completed. The county hauled the road gravel that the landowner had purchased.

Airport millings were discussed.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to accept the free material from the airport with the request from the airport board to haul 2 loads of millings to the golf course and up to 4 loads of millings to the Thedford Fire. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody.

The millings will be hauled out of the airport starting tomorrow, August 4th to the portion on S Seneca by Madron hill.

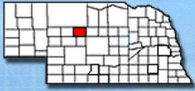
Daly Bridge repair should be almost completed by Hoevet Construction.

Commissioner Moody reported that she had spoke with Lloyd Smith about the possibility of purchasing the millings from the State on the highway project by Halsey. No action taken.

Commissioner Purdum will contact Doug Boyer, Cherry County roads, about the possibility of helping on Maple Street South.

Road employee Ed Schukei will contact Croell to purchase the cold mix for the Maple Street South project.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to accept the bid from Norfolk Contracting for the replacement of Dakota Lane Bridge for the amount of \$269,877.00, with the contingency that the Corps of Engineers permit and easement are completed. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to instruct Lloyd Smith to have an easement prepared for the Dakota Lane bridge. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the request from Jim Johnston for millings.

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to approve the request for 4 loads of road gravel rather than the millings. The County does not provide millings for private use roads. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried. The landowner will haul the road gravel at his expense.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to complete and sign the annual certification of the LB98 Federal Funds Buyback money, showing the expenditure of \$36,994.77 for the Armor coat project on Windmill Rd & S Seneca Ave during the FY2020-2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No correspondence.

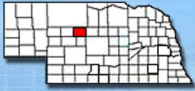
Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 357.74 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2324.62 |
| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | KEYBOARD | 72.00 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 8384.95 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 40.63 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 454.15 |
| RICHARD COOK | EXPENSES | 265.85 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 1037.63 |
| CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF | INMATE COST | 908.00 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 12.99 |
| LORISSA HARTMAN | MILEAGE | 73.92 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 64.20 |
| MARSHALL & SWIFT/BOECKH, LLC | SERVICES | 656.20 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1309.34 |
| NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CLERKS | REGISTRATION | 50.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 853.54 |
| REGION II HUMAN SERVICES | ASSESSMENT | 2498.90 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL/REPAIR | 799.59 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 5634.62 |
| CHEVAS SHAW | SERVICES | 1115.30 |
| AMANDA M. SPEICHERT | SERVICES | 260.00 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 0.20 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| WEST CENTRAL DIST CO ASSESSORS ASSC | DUES | 25.00 |
| SALARIES | | 19,777.46 |

ROAD FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 710.07 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| BOMGAARS | SUPPLIES | 34.48 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | REPAIRS | 742.49 |
| GREAT PLAINS HEALTH | SERVICES | 45.00 |
| KEITH HARTMAN | PHYSICAL/SUPP | 189.53 |
| LORISSA HARTMAN | SUPPLIES | 40.32 |
| L & L GRAVEL | MATERIAL | 458.64 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 22.97 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 217.68 |
| NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC | REPAIRS | 35.85 |



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| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 897.80 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIRS | 201.30 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 2621.62 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1754.21 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 7293.31 |

PRETIRAL FUND-

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| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 81.26 |
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VISITORS FUND-

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| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 11.69 |
| THEDFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT | MARKETING | 704.16 |

EXTENSION FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 274.40 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 444.65 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | SUBSCRIPTION | 25.00 |
| HOMETOWN LEASING | COPIER LEASE | 164.49 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 101.95 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 138.81 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 644.06 |
| UNL-WCREEC | REGISTRATION | 85.00 |
| SALARIES | | 1831.80 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 60.45 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 117.76 |
| CLUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 153.02 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 11.88 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 7.86 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | PIZZA | 137.61 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 161.28 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 148.50 |
| SALARIES | | 965.68 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

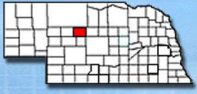
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| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 2.17 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 50.65 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 45.94 |
| SALARIES | | 275.18 |

Office reports:

Clerk presented the fee report for July 2021.

Talked about the West Central Assessor meeting that she attended last week in North Platte and the Governors Executive order about Conservation Easements was discussed. The Property Assessment Division will be required to host at least 3 workshops for elected officials to advise counties of their rights in reviewing conservation easements. The Clerk will be attending a NIRMA employment practice seminar on August 13th in Kearney.

Treasurer reported on the ARPA-Covid funds and reviewed the possible uses for the funds.



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Sheriff reported on upcoming training seminars. Emergency Manager report from Region 26 meeting-the hourly rate for dispatchers needed an increase to be able to keep the employees from moving on to different high paying jobs.

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

Pamela Mann of Region II gave a yearly program update on the services and people they serve in the area.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to appoint the Thomas County Sheriff as the designee for animal control responsible for enforcing sections 54-617 to 54-624 in regards to dangerous dogs. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the SDL application from Sandhills Corral on August 28, 2021 at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

SDL application for November 16, 2021 reviewed but tabled until we have a signed application from the licensee.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

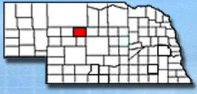
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 17, 2021

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 8:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. Members present were Pam Moody, Jim Purdum and John Seeley. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Sheriff Joseph Smith, county road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, and John Webster of Murphy Tractor.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on August 5, 2021.

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

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the August 3, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on August 12, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

S Seneca milling project has been completed. Ready for the armor coat project to begin.

Figgins Construction should be in county on Wednesday, August 25th to start the armor coat projects.

Discussion was held on trying to locate a grizzly screen to use on the millings on the county stockpile site. We could use the screened millings on the S. Maple Street project before the armor coat project. A few phone calls are out to construction companies to find one. Keith will also contact William Figgins about this part of the project.

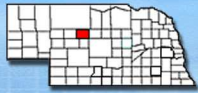
Commissioner Seeley contacted Dave Masek about stockpiling armor coat gravel at his place in Halsey for the Purdum armor coat project. The road men will start delivering the material to Halsey today and if they run out of time they will hire additional trucks, if needed.

Road employee Hartman hauled 20 loads of dirt to Railroad Street in Seneca. He has been in contact with the railroad who will be bringing in rock to go on top of the dirt.

Daly Bridge work has been completed. The road department will be cleaning up the left over material as soon as the armor coat project is completed. Lloyd Smith will be contacting an engineer to get the bridge load rated.

Lloyd Smith also reported on the Andersen Bridge, no easement will be needed for the project. The county already has an existing easement on the road.

John Webster presented cost and trade in values on the graders. He has a grader over at the county shop that he would like to give a demonstration on for the road men and commissioners.



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Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2021-11, Annual Certification of program compliance. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve the claim for Purdum Trucking in the amount of \$969.00. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Abstain – Purdum. Motion carried.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | LABOR | 2710.00 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 609.11 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| RICHARD J DONHAUSER | LAWNCARE JULY | 550.00 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 13.99 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 11.57 |
| FREY'S HEATING AND AIR COND INC | BLDG REPAIR | 4182.00 |
| LORISSA HARTMAN | MILEAGE/MEALS | 158.89 |
| HOLIDAY INN | LODGING | 109.95 |
| STEPHEN B. KING | ATTORNEY | 100.00 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | POSTAGE | 7.70 |
| U S BANK | FUEL | 44.60 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | PHONE | 128.34 |

ROAD FUND-

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| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 61.68 |
| EDWARD H. HOEVET | BRIDGE REPAIR | 17940.00 |
| JOHNSTON DISTRIBUTING INC | TRUCKING | 1083.00 |
| L & L GRAVEL | TRUCKING/MATERIAL | 3083.00 |
| MIDWEST SERVICE & SALES CO | BRIDGE REPAIR | 18778.00 |
| NMC EXCHANGE LLC | REPAIR | 1026.00 |
| JAMES L PURDUM & TAMMY J PURDUM | TRUCKING | 969.00 |
| SHAFFER COMMUNICATIONS INC | GPS SERVICE | 630.00 |
| WARREN TRUCKING, INC. | TRUCKING | 1083.00 |

EXTENSION FUND-

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| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PUBLISHING | 10.16 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 4.67 |
| HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE | PUBLISHING | 4.84 |
| MCI | PHONE | 51.66 |

LIBRARY FUND-

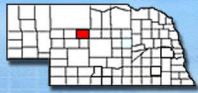
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| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 11.08 |
| NEBRASKA LIBRARY COMMISSION | OVERDRIVE FEE | 500.00 |
| U S BANK | COMPUTER EXPENSE | 283.86 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
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Office reports:

Clerk reported on the NIRMA employment workshop in Kearney.
Assessor workshop will be the week of August 23rd in Grand Island.



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Treasurer presented financial report for July. The Treasurer with the help of the County Attorney will prepare a grant application form for the ARPA funds that the county received from the Federal government.

Sheriff gave a report on the Loup 2 Loup race. He praised the response from the fire & rescue departments.

Emergency Manager report that he is currently working on the LEOP manual with Region 26.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Seeley to accept the Inventory statements from all county offices/departments. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2021-10, final allocation of levy authority. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve Resolution #2021-12, Forest Reserve funds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the SDL application for Sandhills Corral for November 6, 2021 at the Epley Lodge-Halsey Forest. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the SDL application for Sandhills Corral for September 11, 2021 at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to appoint Marian Eicher to the Thomas County Visitors Committee board, replacing Michaela Iwanski. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

At 11:31 a.m. the commissioners meeting was moved to the Thomas County Road department shop to view the demonstration on the John Deere grader. Those in attendance were John Seeley, Pam Moody, Ed Schukei, Keith Hartman, Joseph Smith, Lorissa Hartman, John Webster and Jim Purdum.

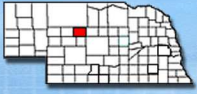
Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 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 in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

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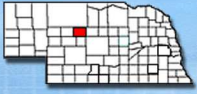


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Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 7, 2021

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/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on August 26, 2021.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the September 7, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the August 17, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on August 26, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Figgins Construction has completed the S Seneca and Maple Street South armor coat projects. The Purdum Ave project should be completed either today or tomorrow.

The road department needs to shoulder with material alongside of the Armor coated portion of the roads.

Lloyd reported that he has given the Engineer the information needed for load rating the Daly Bridge. The road men need to retrieve the extra material from the Daly Bridge, when they have a chance.

The autogate on East Antelope Valley Road will be replaced with a new 18' autogate. The old autogate will be moved to McMillan Ave.

The road men also have another autogate to replace on River Ave.

Maintenance along Diamond Ln was discussed. Commissioner Moody will contact the landowner to discuss options.

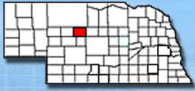
Discussion was had on purchasing new road graders. We have the information from John Deere on the State Bid but have not heard back anything definite from NMC. Commissioner Purdum will contact NMC. Commissioner Seeley will contact Machinery Trader-Ritchie Brothers about listing the old graders for sale instead of trading in on the new purchase.

The board will discuss again at the September 21st meeting.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-



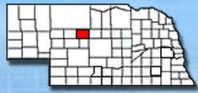
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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 357.74 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2380.08 |
| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | ADMIN EXPENSE | 2150.00 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 8384.95 |
| BROUILLETTE, DUGAN, TROSHYNSKI PC | ATTORNEY FEES | 680.00 |
| CHARRON LAWN CARE | FERTILIZER | 400.00 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 40.63 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 466.73 |
| RICHARD COOK | MILEAGE | 247.52 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 439.72 |
| RICHARD J DONHAUSER | AUG LAWNCARE | 550.00 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 73.98 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 103.65 |
| GWORKS | PLANNING | 3900.00 |
| LORISSA HARTMAN | MILEAGE/MEALS | 187.32 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 64.20 |
| PATRICK M. HENG LAW OFFICE, PC, LLO | ATTORNEY FEES | 1172.95 |
| TL MEYER | KEYS | 11.09 |
| MID-AMERICA RESEARCH CHEMICAL | BLDG SUPPLIES | 382.59 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1235.84 |
| NACO | REGISTRATION | 130.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 10.84 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 862.89 |
| POSTER COMPLIANCE CENTER | SUPPLIES | 67.95 |
| PRESTO X | SERVICES | 61.00 |
| RAMADA | LODGING | 288.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 469.81 |
| SECRETARY OF STATE | WORKSHOP | 40.00 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 5736.51 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | SUPPLIES | 28.37 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | POSTAGE | 8.25 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| SALARIES | | 20242.02 |

ROAD FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 798.16 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | REPAIRS | 74.66 |
| L & L GRAVEL | MATERIAL | 3858.97 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 4.30 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 273.59 |
| NEBRASKA PETERBILT FORD | REPAIRS | 52.32 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 2566.16 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL/TIRE REPAIR | 9000.40 |



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| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 2143.36 |
| TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC | MATERIAL | 14365.71 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 8697.66 |

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

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| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 81.26 |
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VISITORS FUND-

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| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 9.02 |
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VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-

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| BLACK HILL PARKS & FOREST | CARD MACHINE | 500.00 |
| MARAH'S TREASURERS | DOWNPAYMENTS | 200.00 |

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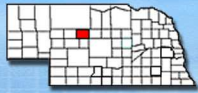
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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 276.25 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS | REPAIRS | 21.48 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 229.65 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 74.45 |
| GRANT COUNTY NEWS | PRINTING | 33.58 |
| HOMETOWN LEASING | COPIER LEASE | 164.49 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 4.79 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 101.9 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 167.65 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 639.71 |
| SALARIES | | 1793.87 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 60.45 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 117.76 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 162.66 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 11.08 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 15.67 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 184.84 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | SUPPLIES | 23.91 |
| SALARIES | | 1100.14 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 2.36 |



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| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 118.14 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 49.08 |
| SALARIES | | 293.88 |

Office reports:

Clerk presented the fee report for August 2021.

West Central District meeting will be September 23rd in Ogallala. The Property Assessment Division will be hosting an education workshop on conservation easements.

The Thomas County Airport Authority will be having a Grand Opening on October 1st at the airport starting at noon with a meal.

Treasurer reported that tax collections were down for the 2nd half payments.

The library board is also in search of a new library director. Applications were due September 6th.

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to surplus the following equipment from the Central Sandhills Area Extension Office:

Overhead projector, portable microphone/speakers, 19" RCA TV, Sony DVD/VHS player, Cricuit Machine, Pixma IP 90 Photo printer, and (4) Walkie Talkies.

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

Chairman Moody recessed the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

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

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

Chairman Moody opened the 2021-2022 budget hearing at 1:16 p.m.

The Clerk and Treasurer presented the budget as a power point presentation for the board. No public in attendance during the entire presentation. Three copies of the budget were available for the public. The 2020-2021 budget was compared to the 2021-2022 budget.

Chairman Moody closed the budget hearing at 2:01 p.m.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2021-13, for 1% increase for 2020-2021 funds subject to limitation. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

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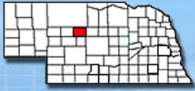
Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2021-14, adopting the 2021-2022 Thomas County Budget. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Moody opened the property tax request hearing at 2:02 p.m.

No public in attendance.

Chairman Moody closed the property tax request hearing at 2:07 p.m.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve Resolution #2021-15, setting the 2021-2022 final tax request at \$863,779. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.



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No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

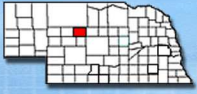
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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2021

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, Jim Purdum and John Seeley. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, road personnel Keith Hartman and Ed Schukei, Gregg O'Brien-NMC, John Webster-Murphy Tractor, Jolene-Murphy Tractor, Beth Ferrell-NACO, County Sheriff Joseph Smith, and Bryan Rodocker.

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 9, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the September 21, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the September 7, 2021 regular meeting minutes. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Lloyd reported that the Daly Bridge should be load rated within the next couple of weeks. Lloyd will also complete a Corp permit for rip rap along the bridge.

Lloyd also reported on Andersen Bridge Corp permit process. The Corp has 60 days to complete from the date of filing, so the permit should be close to being issued.

Ed reported that the CAT loader needs to have the steering looked at. Board advised him to go ahead and have it looked at.

MSHA training for the road department will be October 5th in Valentine.

John Webster of Murphy Tractor presented information on the State Bid graders. Discussion followed on the specs of the equipment.

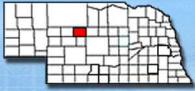
Gregg O'Brien of NMC presented information on the 140 graders. Discussion followed on the specs of the equipment.

The board tabled purchasing new graders until the October 5th meeting.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

Beth Ferrell of NACO talked to the board about upcoming workshops that NACO is offering. September 23rd – West Central District meeting in Ogallala, October 14th – Legislative conference in Holdrege, and December 8th – 10th NACO annual convention in Kearney.

Points of interest for the September 23rd meeting include UNL Interlocal agreements for Extension service and Conservation Easements discussion by Ruth Sorenson.



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The Legislative conference on October 14th will have discussion on the salary study to be completed for all counties. December 8th Annual NACO conference will have discussion on the ARPA funds. Other points of interest mentioned by Beth were the Opioid Litigation settlement. Counties should be receiving a letter from the Attorney General office to explain the three options. They will also offer a Zoom meeting for boards to learn more on the settlement options. LB310 and LB644 were also discussed.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES | 1014.00 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 479.12 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 4.79 |
| PRESTO X | SERVICES | 61.00 |
| SID DILLON CHEV BUICK | 2021 TAHOE | 20930.00 |
| AMANDA M. SPEICHERT | ATTORNEY FEE | 230.00 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | EXT/BOOKMOBILE | 7542.52 |
| U S BANK | REGISTRATION/SUPPLIES | 712.98 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | PHONE | 92.12 |

ROAD FUND-

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| BOMGAARS | SUPPLIES | 28.99 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 62.82 |
| FIGGINS CONSTRUCTION CO INC | ARMOR COAT PROJECTS | 139834.03 |
| INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO | REPAIRS | 28.60 |
| POWERPLAN | REPAIRS | 73.11 |

VISITORS FUND-

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| FLAGSHIP PUBLISHING INC | ADVERTISING | 400.00 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

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| MCI | PHONE | 52.01 |
| QUADIENT LEASING | COPIER LEASE | 134.85 |
| SCHOOL HOUSE GRAPHICS | PLAQUES | 56.00 |

LIBRARY FUND-

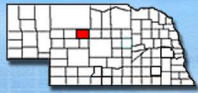
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| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 121.80 |
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Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported on the preliminary statistics for all three classes of property. Residential homes are currently at 83% of market value, state law requirements are 92% - 100% of market value. Ag land is currently low and will probably need to see an increase around 10% once again next year.

Central Plains Valuation will be here later this year to work on valuing gravel pits and will take a look at our tables to see what adjustments need to be made.

The Assessor has been working with Gworks about obtaining another layer for the Thomas Gworks page. This would be an annotations layer, which would show lot sizes, streets and alleys for the villages of Seneca, Halsey and Thedford. The cost to layout the layer would be \$7,750 and then an annual maintenance fee of \$750. Discussion followed.



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Treasurer presented the delinquent and unsold parcel listing to the board, which is required to be presented to the board by October 1st. The board directed the Treasurer to obtain county certificates on parcel numbers 860014584 and 860015238. The remaining parcels will need more discussion with the County Attorney.

Financial report for the month of August was presented to the board.

Sheriff gave a report on the new law enforcement vehicle, 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe. He was able to trade in both the 2016 Dodge Ram pickup and 2010 Chevrolet Tahoe using the UNL bid with Sid Dillion Chevrolet. He is also able to move most equipment from the old vehicles and be used in the new vehicle. New lights and decals will be installed later.

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

Bryan Rodocker, representative of the Loup to Loup Board, met with the board to request closing the Purdum Ave road on August 11, 2022.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve closure of Purdum Road on August 11, 2022 pending requested documents are on file with the county before the race. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was had on the request to decorate the outside of the Courthouse for Christmas. No action taken at this time. Board discussed talking with the Visitors committee about using lodging tax funds to purchase lights.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to surplus the wooden card catalog-library and offer for sale on the silent auction. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public present for comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

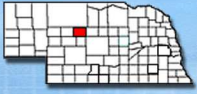
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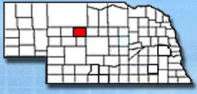
Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2021

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, John Seeley and Jim Purdum. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Gregg O' Brien-NMC, John Webster-Murphy Tractor, County Sheriff Joseph Smith and Lee Ray.

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 23, 2021.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the October 5, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the September 21, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on September 30, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held comparing the bids from John Deere and CAT for new motor graders. The board also discussed selling the old motor graders rather than trading them in with the purchase.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to accept the bid from John Deere (Murphy Tractor) for the purchase of (1) one 770G Motor Grader and (1) one 772G Motor Grader, utilizing the State Bid process, excluding the extension, packer and LED lights from the package bid. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – Purdum. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

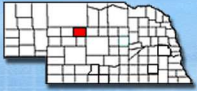
The CAT loader needs repaired and will need hauled down to North Platte to the shop. Commissioner Purdum offered the use of his trailer for the road department to use to haul the loader to North Platte.

Discussion was had on Diamond E Lane. The board decided to have Wayne Licking attend the next meeting when the road men will be able to be present.

Commissioner Seeley reported that he had spoken to Walter Collier and they have requested some mud rock to fix the road after heavy rains last week. The board agreed to offer up to four loads of mud rock.

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith reported to the board that the permits are in place for work on the Dakota Lane bridge. He has been in contact with Custer Public Power to discuss the overhead lines in the area. Work should begin yet this fall.

Lloyd also reported on placing rip rap along Werner Bridge and Daly Bridge. He had information that we could install along these bridges, utilizing existing permits.



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Correspondence presented. An email from Jeri Huddle was read to the board, asking for clarification on the Loup to Loup race for August 2022. The board agreed that the mail will run prior to closing of the Purdum road. This was not noted previously but was the intent of the board.

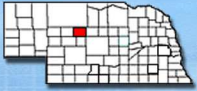
Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to pay payroll and claims as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND-

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|-----------------------------------|---------------|----------|
| AFLAC | AFLAC | 357.74 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2565.45 |
| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES | 2494.00 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 8384.95 |
| BROUILLETTE, DUGAN, TROSHYNSKI PC | ATTORNEY FEES | 410.00 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 40.63 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 493.75 |
| RICHARD COOK | MILEAGE | 119.84 |
| COW COUNTRY ANIMAL CLINIC | LICENSE | 60.00 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 718.50 |
| RICHARD J DONHAUSER | LAWN CARE | 550.00 |
| FREY'S HEATING AND AIR COND INC | SERVICES | 208.69 |
| GALLS LLC | SUPPLIES | 98.60 |
| ALEXANDRA GONZALEZ | DECALS | 356.00 |
| LORISSA HARTMAN | MILEAGE | 359.52 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 64.20 |
| HOLIDAY INN | LODGING | 114.95 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1235.84 |
| NACO | REGISTRATIONS | 110.00 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 39.31 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 983.26 |
| NEBRASKA UC FUND | UNEMPLOYMENT | 42.34 |
| NOTARY PUBLIC UNDERWRITERS, INC | RENEWAL | 81.00 |
| REGION 26 | ASSESSMENT | 9333.63 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 348.65 |
| SCHOOL HOUSE GRAPHICS | DECALS | 126.50 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 6190.67 |
| ANDREA THOMAS | MILEAGE | 132.16 |
| U S BANK | FUEL | 42.41 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 400.50 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| SALARIES | | 21282.97 |

ROAD FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 986.72 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | REPAIRS | 97.44 |
| L & L GRAVEL | MATERIAL | 2751.83 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 56.35 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 239.33 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | FEES | 410.30 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 5033.66 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1922.64 |
| TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC | MATERIAL | 3243.89 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 148.50 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 7749.53 |



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PRE-TRIAL FUND-

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| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 81.26 |
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VISITORS FUND-

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| LOUP 2 LOUP OPEN ROAD RACE | SPONSORSHIP | 500.00 |
| SANDHILL RIVER TRIPS | SPONSORSHIP | 1000.00 |

EXTENSION FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 275.32 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | REPAIRS | 186.50 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 229.65 |
| HOMETOWN LEASING | COPIER LEASE | 164.49 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 100.96 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 291.95 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 588.89 |
| SALARIES | | 1493.80 |

LIBRARY FUND-

| | | |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------|
| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 60.45 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 58.50 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 118.19 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | COPIER METER | 15.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 7.56 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 203.44 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD | UTILITIES | 142.50 |
| SALARIES | | 1056.35 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 8.05 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 7.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 133.58 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 105.48 |
| SALARIES | | 626.40 |

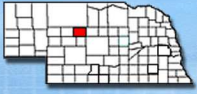
Office reports:

Fee report for the month of September was presented. Clerk reported on the redistricting work after the Census. Thomas County legislative district will now be District 42. The Clerk will be attending the Secretary of State Election workshop October 6-8th.

Treasurer reported on delinquent personal property from SWIX. The Treasurer also had a financial report available for the board.

Sheriff presented the quarterly fee report for his office. He also gave an activity report at the forest. The jailhouse doors need replaced; he will talk with Neben's to see if they have the time to help repair the door. Reported that the handicap signage in the parking lot had been painted by himself, Keith and Clint.

Emergency Manager report was on a legislative bill to be presented to help with 911 funding. The bill would ask for help from the Game and Parks commission to help offset the cost for 911 to the two big lakes in the Region 26 district.



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

Chairman Moody recessed the meeting at 11:00 a.m. to enter into the Board of Equalization.

Chairman Moody reconvened the meeting at 11:07 a.m.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2021-16, transferring \$15,000 from the Bookmobile fund to the Library Fund. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public comment. Lee Ray visited with the board about possibly lowering the speed limit on Maple Street. The board will talk with Lloyd Smith about beginning this process.

Commissioner Seeley reported on attending the Grand Opening of the Thomas County Airport.

No other public comment.

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 11:22 a.m.

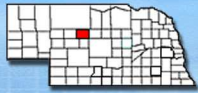
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2021

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, Jim Purdum and John Seeley. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road employee Ed Schukei, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, Lewis Herbaugh, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright and County Sheriff Joseph Smith.

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 October 7, 2021.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the October 19, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the October 5, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on October 14, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Lewis Herbaugh expressed concerns about a commissioner suggesting one business over another to purchase aggregate.

Road discussion:

The application for third priority (pink) roads was reviewed. No changes were made. All future requests for work on third priority roads must fill out the application and be submitted to the board for approval.

Daly Bridge – rip rap project discussed. Commissioner Seeley and road employee Ed Schukei will visit with the landowner/tenant about the project. County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith informed the board that the load limit should be determined by next week.

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith will get in touch with Viaero about concerns from right of way work on Purdum Ave.

The board also directed Lloyd to perform a speed study for Maple Street. Recommended speed limit of 25 mph was discussed.

Correspondence presented. NACO voting designation was set as Andrea Thomas or Lorissa Hartman.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | ADMIN EXPENSE | 1600.00 |
| CHARRON LAWN CARE | LAWN CARE | 400.00 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 160.64 |
| GALLS LLC | SUPPLIES | 28.10 |
| GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES LLC | SUPPLIES | 98.50 |
| HAMPTON INN | LODGING | 96.00 |



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| LORISSA HARTMAN | MILEAGE | 159.04 |
| PATRICK M. HENG LAW OFFICE, PC, LLO | ATTORNEY FEES | 680.00 |
| KEITH CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE | FEES | 26.00 |
| NE SECRETARY OF STATE | NOTARY | 30.00 |
| GALEN NEBEN | SERVICES | 120.00 |
| NEBRASKA SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION | DUES | 25.00 |
| NEBRASKA STATE PATROL | SERVICES | 8.00 |
| PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS | SERVICES | 351.44 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | POSTAGE | 116.00 |
| REGION 26 | 911 MAPPING | 143.21 |
| SANDHILLS WEED MANAGEMENT AREA | NEWSLETTER | 84.80 |
| WILLIAM JOSEPH SMITH | SUPPLIES | 65.98 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | POSTAGE | 116.00 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | POSTAGE | 4.06 |
| ANDREA THOMAS | MILEAGE | 316.40 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | PHONE | 40.11 |
| WEST CENTRAL NEBR AREA AGENCY | ASSESSMENT | 434.32 |

ROAD FUND-

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| BOMGAARS | SUPPLIES | 184.94 |
| POWERPLAN | EQUIPMENT | 348.72 |

EXTENSION FUND-

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| SHANIYA ALBERTUS | FUEL | 37.85 |
| CROSSROADS AUTO REPAIR SPECIALISTS | REPAIRS | 57.67 |
| RHONDA DAILEY | MILEAGE | 17.92 |
| AMY GOODRICH | MILEAGE | 86.24 |
| LACY HEBBERT | MILEAGE | 64.96 |
| JAY HOLTHUS | MILEAGE | 45.92 |
| HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE | PRINTING | 3.80 |
| MCI | PHONE | 52.30 |
| KRIS RASMUSSEN | MILEAGE | 28.00 |
| DONNA J REYNOLDS | MEAL | 288.00 |
| TRISH WEBER | MILEAGE | 67.20 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
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Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported on the redistricting after the Census. The Upper Loup NRD has provided a map of the new sub-district boundaries. Additional precinct splits will need to be added to the Election system.

The new salary recommendation study is available and provided to the board. The 2023-2026 salaries must be set by January 15, 2022.

Treasurer presented the financial report for September.

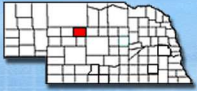
Sheriff reported on upcoming training events that he must attend.

Commissioner Moody reported on the maintenance workshop she attended in North Platte.

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

Chairman Moody recessed the meeting at 10:50 a.m. to enter into Board of Equalization.

Chairman Moody reconvened the meeting at 10:55 a.m.



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Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the SDL application for the Sandhills Corral on November 20, 2021 at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Opioid litigation settlement. No action taken at this time until further information can be obtained.

No public comment.

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 11:29 a.m.

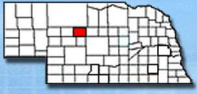
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2021

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/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Sheriff Joseph Smith and County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith.

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 October 21, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to adopt the November 2, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the October 19, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on October 28, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Commissioner Seeley reported that he had talked with Charlie Daly about the rip rap the county would place along Daly Bridge.

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith presented his recommendation for lowering the speed limit on Maple Street to 25 mph.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to accept the recommendation of the Thomas County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith to lower the speed limit on Maple Street to 25 mph. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

New speed limit signs have been ordered and will be placed in the recommended locations.

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith presented the load rating report for the Daly Bridge.

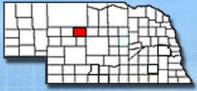
Lloyd also reported that the County Highway Superintendent from Blaine County had approached him about the possibility of striping the Purdum Rd. The County Clerk will look back through previous minutes to see what the board had decided about that project.

Commissioner Moody reported on the NIRMA self-defense workshop she attended in Kearney. Main topics she shared with the full board were road agreements and cyber security.

The CAT loader is still in the shop. Hopefully it will be next on the list for repair.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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



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GENERAL FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 357.74 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2340.06 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 8384.95 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | SUPPLIES | 4.76 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 40.63 |
| COMFORT INN | LODGING | 258.00 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 463.53 |
| RICHARD COOK | EXPENSES | 522.46 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 532.14 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 344.14 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | COPIER EXPENSE | 572.31 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 64.20 |
| HOLIDAY INN | LODGING | 116.95 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1235.84 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 266.22 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 855.33 |
| PRESTO X | SERVICES | 61.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 293.44 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 5660.64 |
| WILLIAM JOSEPH SMITH | SUPPLIES | 175.86 |
| TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC | VET COMPUTER | 449.00 |
| U S BANK | FUEL | 157.53 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| SALARIES | | 19836.77 |

ROAD FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 973.82 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | REPAIRS | 206.00 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 63.82 |
| L & L GRAVEL | MATERIAL | 651.75 |
| MAINELLI WAGNER & ASSOCIATES | SERVICES | 908.10 |
| MILCO ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE | SERVICES | 2699.35 |
| NEAL LUMBER CO | SUPPLIES | 35.20 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 230.42 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 1343.40 |
| POWERPLAN | REPAIRS | 203.53 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 3540.66 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1890.66 |
| TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC | MATERIAL | 4099.63 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 7672.00 |

PRE-TRIAL FUND-

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| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 81.05 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 261.51 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| COLUMBIA INSURANCE GROUP INC | INSURANCE | 512.00 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 268.99 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PRINTING | 9.78 |
| HOMETOWN LEASING | COPIER LEASE | 164.49 |



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| HOOKER COUNTY TRIBUNE | SUBSCRIPTION | 30.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 96.52 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 174.86 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 563.40 |
| SALARIES | | 1432.60 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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|------------------------------|---------------|--------|
| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 149.49 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 121.02 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 117.86 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 99.64 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 0.92 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 164.86 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | SUPPLIES | 133.99 |
| SALARIES | | 804.96 |

BOOKMOBILE FUND-

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| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 3.24 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 132.13 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 67.88 |
| SALARIES | | 406.36 |

INHERITANCE FUND-

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| SECURITY FIRST BANK | PAYOFF DEBT | 231986.06 |
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DEBT SERVICE FUND-

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| SECURITY FIRST BANK | PAYOFF DEBT | 71742.85 |
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Office reports:

Clerk presented the office fee report for the month of October.

Salary study comparison of the surrounding small counties was presented to the board. The board will need to set the salaries for elected officials for the years 2023-2026.

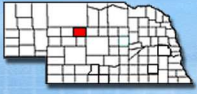
Treasurer reports that 1 distress warrant was turned over to the Sheriff and was collected on Monday. She also reported that the delinquent personal property taxes from SWIX was collected. The Treasurer also reported on attending the meeting about consumption tax. She presented the board with some information on this proposal.

Sheriff reported on the required training and paperwork associated with LB51 training standards. The Sheriff's department will need to be accredited by January 2023.

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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to delegate authority to the Chairman Pam Moody to execute documents on behalf of Thomas County for the National Opioid Litigation settlement. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Abstain – Moody. Motion carried.

No public comment.



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

Meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

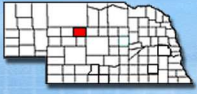
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford, NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



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Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
November 16, 2021

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, Jim Purdum and John Seeley. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, County Sheriff Joseph Smith, Jessica Fenske and County Attorney Kurt Arganbright.

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

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Thomas County Herald on November 4, 2021.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the November 16, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Purdum to approve the November 2, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on November 11, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Commissioner Moody was asked when the material would be hauled to the golf course from the airport. The road department reported that the three loads were hauled a couple of weeks ago to the golf course.

Discussion was held on Railroad Street in Seneca. The railroad still hasn't put rock on the road that the county had built up. The Clerk will contact Lloyd Smith to see if he has contact information with the railroad so that we can get the road covered.

Update on Andersen Bridge on Dakota Lane. Lloyd had reported to the Clerk that it will probably be in the Spring before the bridge work will begin due to the contractor's schedule.

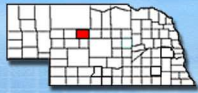
The CAT loader is still in the shop waiting to be worked on.

The lease with the Nebraska Department of Transportation for a portion of the Old Highway 83 has been renewed. The County may utilize this portion of the Old Highway as a mixing strip for road maintenance purposes. The lease will run from December 1, 2021 to November 30, 2022.

Ed reported that he has installed the signs for Daly Bridge, Purdum Rd and Maple Street.

Keith reported that the auto gate had been replaced on River Road.

Discussion was had on a lease agreement the county will use for equipment that is infrequently used and not owned by the county for road maintenance projects. The County Attorney will take the lease agreement that was used in the past and update for use now.



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Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve Resolution #2021-18, Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

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| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES | 507.00 |
| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | ADMIN EXPENSE | 750.00 |
| BROUILLETTE, DUGAN, TROSHYNSKI PC | SERVICES | 678.25 |
| CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT | MEAL | 8.74 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |
| RICHARD J DONHAUSER | LAWNCARE-OCT | 550.00 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 17.98 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 81.15 |
| PATRICK M. HENG LAW OFFICE, PC, LLO | SERVICES | 1980.00 |
| RUSSELL LICKING | SHERIFF CAGE | 346.65 |
| NACO | DUES | 976.41 |
| NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES | DUES | 450.00 |
| BRAD SAWYER | BLDG SECURITY | 284.84 |
| SYNCB/AMAZON | OFFICE SUPPLIES | 8.89 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | DEPOSIT BOOK | 74.29 |
| THOMAS COUNTY ATTORNEY | EXPENSES | 935.70 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | PHONE | 39.96 |

ROAD FUND-

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|--------|
| BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS INC | SIGNS | 986.30 |
| L & L GRAVEL | MATERIAL | 829.50 |

VISITORS FUND-

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| MEGAN HANNA | FAIRGROUNDS | 300.00 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

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| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 114.13 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 41.89 |
| MCI | PHONE | 50.66 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | PAPER | 49.99 |
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BOOKMOBILE FUND-

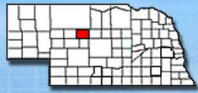
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| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
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Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported that the CTL had been filed with the State on November 9th and the tax list was prepared and presented to the Treasurer on November 10th. NACO convention agendas were passed out to the board and confirmed motel reservations. Salary study information was discussed.

Treasurer presented the October financial report. Tax statements will be printed this week.

Sheriff reported on the required accreditation by the State. He also gave an activity report. He also reported that he is on track to complete the Forest patrol contract.



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

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to reappoint the following members to the Thomas County Planning Commission with an ending term of 2024: Carolyn Warren and Shane Pettit. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to surplus the old wooden desk from the Clerk's office. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Opioid litigation settlement. No action taken. Tabled until more paperwork is received.

Jessica Fenske with Healing Hearts and Hands was present to discuss the Memorandum of Understanding for Juvenile Diversion services. Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Healing Hearts and Hands for Juvenile Diversion services. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

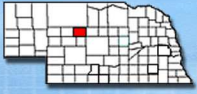
The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioners meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 7, 2021

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 Jim Purdum, John Seeley and Pam Moody. Also present were road personnel Ed Schukei, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Attorney Kurt Arganbright, Julie Bain-US Forest Service, Brett Boyer, via Zoom County Treasurer Andrea Thomas and County Clerk Lorissa Hartman.

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 November 25, 2021.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to adopt the December 7, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the November 16, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on November 25, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith reported on the NIRMA sign and shop audit. The county will need to respond to actions taken to meet the audit recommendations. County Clerk and road men will review and respond to NIRMA.

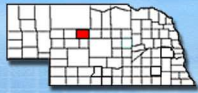
Commissioner Moody reported on conversation with Roger Licking about Finney Loop and Heritage Road. The board agreed that Heritage Road will be placed on the top of the list for work to begin in the Spring of 2022. Discussion was held on the Finney Loop, the portion of the road past Mike Finney's place. The board will research the status of this road, to see if the county ever had an easement for this road. Commissioner Seeley stated that he will talk with Mike Finney. County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith will talk with the County Attorney. More discussion will be held at the December 21st meeting on Finney Loop.

Commissioner Moody reported talking with Royce Brown about Railroad Street in Seneca. The railroad still has not delivered the rock/material to complete this road. County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith had talked with Jason Dye about the railroad bringing in the material. Commissioner Purdum will reach out to the railroad and see if he can get the rock brought in.

The board reviewed the updated lease agreement to use when the county must rent equipment from a private individual.

Motion made by Purdum and second by Seeley to approve the use of the new lease agreement for privately owned equipment. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Purdum, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No correspondence to present.



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

GENERAL FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 357.74 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 2279.44 |
| ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE | ADMIN EXPENSE | 850.00 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 8384.95 |
| BRIDGE OF HOPE | MILEAGE | 78.40 |
| BROUILLETTE, DUGAN, TROSHYNSKI PC | ATTORNEY FEES | 330.00 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | GRILL GUARD | 991.00 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 40.63 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 447.00 |
| RICHARD COOK | EXPENSES | 399.53 |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC. | PUBLISHING | 470.32 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 316.50 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 26.75 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 64.20 |
| PATRICK M. HENG LAW OFFICE, PC, LLO | ATTORNEY FEES | 940.00 |
| JUSTICE DATA SOLUTIONS | DATA PROCESSING | 2400.00 |
| MENARD'S | BUILDING SUPPLIES | 112.11 |
| MIPS INC | SERVICES | 1235.84 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 828.52 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL/PROPANE | 715.55 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 5524.84 |
| WILLIAM JOSEPH SMITH | SUPPLIES | 89.95 |
| AMANDA M. SPEICHERT | ATTORNEY FEES | 220.00 |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH | POSTAGE | 8.70 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | POSTAGE | 344.40 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 4.66 |
| SALARIES | | 19448.31 |

ROAD FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 892.17 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| CALLS GARAGE INC | TIRES/REPAIR/SUPPLIES | 1301.15 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 63.67 |
| INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO | REPAIRS | 348.60 |
| L & L GRAVEL | MATERIAL | 630.00 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 213.98 |
| NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC | SERVICES | 1237.68 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 3275.74 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 1742.42 |
| SHAFFER COMMUNICATIONS INC | GPS SERVICE | 630.00 |
| TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC | MATERIAL | 4893.45 |
| VISION CARE DIRECT | INSURANCE | 32.64 |
| SALARIES | | 7088.12 |

PRETRIAL FUND-

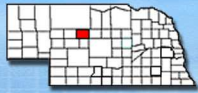
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| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 81.05 |
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EXTENSION FUND-

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| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 276.25 |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD | INSURANCE | 2004.15 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE | 96.27 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 101.35 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 584.17 |
| SALARIES | | 1459.19 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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| AFLAC | INSURANCE | 149.49 |
| AMERITAS | RETIREMENT | 110.78 |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 119.36 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 99.27 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 0.63 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | PROPANE | 339.97 |



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| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 161.90 |
| SALARIES | | 791.44 |
| BOOKMOBILE FUND- | | |
| BRODART CO. | BOOKS | 241.50 |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC | INSURANCE | 11.70 |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | STATE TAXES | 4.50 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 101.12 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK | FEDERAL TAXES | 63.16 |
| SALARIES | | 376.77 |

Office reports:

Clerk presented fee report for the month of November.

Treasurer wanted to thank Missy Holt for holding down the courthouse last week when everyone was sick.

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

Julie Bain – U.S. Forest Service updated the board with information on the cost and process to make the three railroad crossings (Halsey Main Street, Miller Ave and Hwy 86B spur) silent. The cost estimate for the Main Street crossing would be \$208,000. The Miller Ave crossing estimate was \$780,000-\$850,000. The Highway 86B Spur cost estimate was \$555,168. Additional annual fees for the maintenance on the wayside horn would run \$15,000 for each crossing. No action taken; this was just informational.

The 2023-2026 Salary Resolution was tabled until December 21st.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to direct any Opioid Settlement money to Region II in North Platte. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

During the 2020-2021 audit it was discovered that the Inventory Statement for the County Board meeting room was not filed.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve/accept the inventory statement for the County Board meeting room. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Purdum, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to accept and sign the Management Representation letter with Don Wilson. Roll call vote: Ayes – Purdum, Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Moody recessed the regular meeting at 11:00 a.m. to open the public hearing on the Special Use Permit application of Brett Boyer.

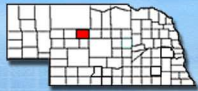
No public questions.

Brett Boyer questioned if he would need to apply for a permit anytime that he wanted to build on this property. County Clerk/Zoning Administrator advised him to check with her office on future builds and what would be required.

He stated concern about how long the process took to complete the permit.

Due to advertising timelines and statutory regulations the process will probably take this long each time to make it through Planning and the County Board.

Chairman Moody closed the public hearing at 11:08 a.m.



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Motion made by Seeley and second by Purdum to approve the special use permit application from Brett Boyer for SW1/4SE1/4; SE1/4SW1/4 Section 31 Township 24 Range 29 West. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley, Purdum. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

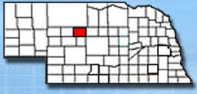
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Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk



Thomas County Board Minutes



Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
December 21, 2021

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. Also present were County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Ed Schukei and Keith Hartman, Mike Finney, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, County Sheriff Joseph Smith and Donna Reynolds. Attending by Zoom were County Attorney Kurt Arganbright and County Commissioner Jim Purdum.

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 December 9, 2021.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to adopt the December 21, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve the December 7, 2021 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on December 16, 2021. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Mike Finney visited with the board about the status of Finney Loop. Discussion was held on abandoning the portion of Finney Loop after the Finney residence and west to S. Seneca. For now the county will haul material to the two auto-gate approaches on the west side of Finney Loop. County Clerk will talk with the post office about the status of this road and the mail route. More discussion will be held at the January 4th meeting.

Commissioner Seeley reported on the NACO conference and the packer with mounts that can be purchased for \$23,000.

Road employee Ed Schukei reported that the CAT loader was still not fixed. Commissioner Purdum questioned whether CAT had done a pressure check before sending the loader back. Ed was instructed to contact Brett with CAT to discuss the problems.

County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith reported that he had been trying to contact Burlington Northern Roadmaster Roger Hartwig for the rock for Railroad Street in Seneca.

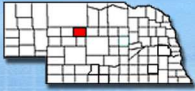
Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve the annual agreement with Lloyd Smith as the Thomas County Highway Superintendent. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Seeley. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND

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| CUSTER COUNTY SHERIFF | HOUSING COST | 1760.00 |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 391.51 |
| DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL | SERVICES | 28.64 |



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| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 87.82 |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 53.37 |
| GALLS LLC | SUPPLIES | 147.79 |
| HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS-KEARNEY | LODGING | 804.65 |
| MIPS INC | SUPPLIES | 91.40 |
| NE CLERKS OF DIST COURT ASSOC | DUES 2022 | 50.00 |
| NEBRASKA UC FUND | UNEMPLOYMENT | 244.70 |
| NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSN | DUES 2022 | 125.00 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | POSTAGE | 80.00 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER | EXTENSION | 5639.62 |
| U S BANK | FUEL | 98.67 |
| VARNEY HEALTHMART | INMATE COSTS | 32.70 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS | PHONE | 40.01 |

ROAD FUND-

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| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES | 65.53 |
| KRIS GANOUNG | LOT RENT 2021 | 300.00 |
| L & L GRAVEL | MATERIAL | 5250.00 |

EXTENSION FUND-

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| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC | PHONE | 228.99 |
| CUSTER COUNTY CHIEF | SUBSCRIPTION | 44.00 |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS | SUPPLIES | 104.95 |
| GRANT COUNTY NEWS | NOTICE | 4.70 |
| HOMETOWN LEASING | COPIER LEASE | 172.71 |
| KWIK STOP | FUEL | 38.39 |
| MCI | PHONE | 50.86 |
| QUADIENT LEASING | POSTAGE | 134.85 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC | FUEL | 87.69 |

LIBRARY FUND-

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| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC | SUPPLIES | 103.98 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER | POSTAGE | 58.00 |

Office reports:

Clerk/Assessor reported on a webinar open to the Commissioners for Conservation Easements on January 13th. Central Plains Valuation will be in the County the week of December 27th for pickup work and residential sales study. After the first of the year the Clerk's office will be looking for new employee.

Treasurer presented the November financial report. The Treasurer also reported that all property taxes paid in 2021 will be given a nice credit on the 2021 Nebraska State Income Tax.

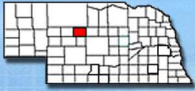
Sheriff wanted to Thank the Thedford Fire & Rescue for the exceptional work. The Sheriff also reported on the current forest contract and the new forest contract.

Emergency Manager reported that he is working on replacing the tornado siren in Thedford with grant funds.

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

Discussion was held on the estimate from ABC Seamless for covers on the gutters at the courthouse. Commissioner Seeley suggested purchasing equipment to clean the gutters rather than put covers on the gutters. He will bring more information to the next meeting.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve the application for addition to the liquor license at the Sandhills Corral to add outdoor space. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.



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Donna Reynolds and Mike Finney visited with the board and county attorney about the Seneca Cemetery. The County would like to deed over the cemetery to the Seneca Cemetery Association but before that can happen the Association needs to be in good standing with Nebraska Secretary of State's office. More discussion will happen once the County Attorney provides a Checklist to establish the association if documentation cannot be found.

Discussion was held on the 2023-2026 salary Resolution. No action taken today. Tabled until January 4th.

Motion made by Seeley and second by Moody to approve using the application for ARPA funds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Seeley, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Purdum. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

The organizational meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 9:15 a.m. with the regular meeting beginning at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioner meeting room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. An agenda will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Thomas County Clerk during regular business hours. Additions to the agenda may be made up to 24 hours before the meeting.

Thomas County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chairman

Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk