

Thomas County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
July 5, 2023

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, Charles Daly and Lewis Herbaugh. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, road personnel Keith Hartman, and County Sheriff Joseph Smith.

Chair 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 22, 2023.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Daly to adopt the July 5, 2023 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Daly to approve the June 20, 2023 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on June 29, 2023. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Daly, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

The crushers have arrived and started crushing the material at the airport site.

Keith reported that Miles Maseberg has fixed the autogates on East Antelope Valley Rd.

The board discussed obtaining bids for patching and overlay on W. North Loup Rd and also obtaining bids to crack seal Purdum Ave. The clerk will contact Lloyd Smith on starting this process.

Discussion was held on the future trucking contracts to haul material. Once the material is crushed the board will discuss further.

Commissioner Daly reported being contacted by Colliers about material. The board agreed that every year Colliers have received 4 loads of material to be placed on their road. The county will provide 8 loads total, 4 for 2022 and 4 for 2023. Clerk will contact Jeffres to see what material was available at the Brewster pit and also contact Colliers.

Discussion was held on material from L & L Gravel. Motion made by Moody and second by Daly to purchase clay/ash material from L & L Gravel for \$7/ton if the material is hauled by L & L Gravel to the airport site and \$6/ton if the county hauls the material, as the material is available. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Daly. Nays – none. Abstain – Herbaugh. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the third party material application submitted by Jim Johnston. Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Daly to approve the third party application from Jim Johnston for 4 loads of mix on Johnston Ln. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Daly and second by Herbaugh to approve the road employee job description. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Daly, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

**GENERAL FUND-**

|                                 |            |         |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------|
| AFLAC                           | INSURANCE  | 190.51  |
| AFLAC INC                       | DENTAL     | 40.88   |
| AMERITAS                        | RETIREMENT | 2524.36 |
| APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | SERVICES   | 778.80  |

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| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD       | INSURANCE         | 7765.26  |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO  | INSURANCE         | 107.42   |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC       | PHONE             | 473.03   |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.          | PRINTING          | 1043.06  |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT     | UTILITIES         | 489.95   |
| HEALTHPLAN SERVICES, INC         | INSURANCE         | 64.20    |
| MIPS INC                         | SERVICES          | 1369.45  |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE         | TAXES             | 1115.39  |
| NEBRASKA UC FUND                 | UNEMPLOYMENT      | 15.08    |
| NIRMA                            | INSURANCE         | 12810.00 |
| UNITED STATES POSTMASTER         | POSTAGE/RENT      | 460.00   |
| PRESTO X                         | SERVICES          | 74.44    |
| REGION II MENTAL RETARDATION SER | ASSESSMENT        | 1392.00  |
| REGION 26                        | ASSESSMENT        | 11497.85 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC         | FUEL              | 257.92   |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK              | FEDERAL TAXES     | 7035.15  |
| THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH       | POSTAGE           | 19.30    |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER              | EXTENSION/POSTAGE | 6391.89  |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD              | UTILITIES         | 418.50   |
| VISION CARE DIRECT               | INSURANCE         | 4.66     |
| SALARIES                         |                   | 25025.28 |

**ROAD FUND-**

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|------------------------------|---------------|---------|
| AFLAC INC                    | INSURANCE     | 40.88   |
| AMERITAS                     | RETIREMENT    | 609.00  |
| BOMGAARS SUPPLY              | SUPPLIES      | 62.98   |
| CREATIVE PRINTERS, INC.      | PRINTING      | 81.00   |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES     | 71.37   |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE     | TAXES         | 308.78  |
| NEBRASKA TRUCK CENTER, INC   | REPAIRS       | 2920.33 |
| NIRMA                        | INSURANCE     | 9962.00 |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC     | FUEL          | 2150.01 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK          | FEDERAL TAXES | 1789.26 |
| THOMAS CO TREASURER          | TRAILER TITLE | 15.00   |
| TRIPLE G REDIMIX, LLC        | MATERIAL      | 1377.54 |
| VILLAGE OF THEDFORD          | UTILITIES     | 154.50  |
| SALARIES                     |               | 6065.74 |

**PRETRIAL FUND-**

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| VIAERO WIRELESS | PHONE | 82.50 |
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**VISITORS FUND-**

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| NIRMA | INSURANCE | 89.00 |
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**VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-**

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| THOMAS CO AG SOCIETY | GRANT | 5000.00 |
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**EXTENSION FUND-**

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| AMERITAS                        | RETIREMENT    | 310.75  |
| BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD      | INSURANCE     | 2437.55 |
| COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INS CO | INSURANCE     | 150.14  |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC      | PHONE         | 229.22  |
| HOMETOWN LEASING                | COPIER LEASE  | 166.24  |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE        | TAXES         | 107.97  |
| SANDHILL OIL COMPANY INC        | FUEL          | 201.60  |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK             | FEDERAL TAXES | 648.33  |
| SALARIES                        |               | 2094.66 |

**LIBRARY FUND-**

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| AMERITAS                     | RETIREMENT     | 150.08  |
| CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES INC   | PHONE          | 116.37  |
| CUSTER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT | UTILITIES      | 131.26  |
| EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS       | COPIER EXPENSE | 25.65   |
| EWOLDTS GROCERY INC          | SUPPLIES       | 21.64   |
| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE     | TAXES          | 18.12   |
| NIRMA                        | INSURANCE      | 2952.00 |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK          | FEDERAL TAXES  | 232.94  |
| SALARIES                     |                | 1327.88 |

**BOOKMOBILE FUND-**

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| NEBRASKA DEPT OF REVENUE | TAXES         | 0.61  |
| SECURITY FIRST BANK      | FEDERAL TAXES | 37.80 |

## Office reports:

Clerk's office fee report for the month of June was presented to the board. One property protest was filed during the month of June. The Board of Equalization will review the protest at the July 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Treasurer reported on taking money from NPAIT to invest locally. Cheryl Mercer has started in the Treasurer's office last week. The new daycare is looking for fiscal sponsors for the daycare and was wondering if the County could assist in this. The auditor will be contacted to confirm that this is appropriate to run through the county. The County currently has a community grant fund established that grant funds can be run through.

Sheriff presented the quarterly office fee report to the board. He also presented an activity report.

Library activity report presented to the board.

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

Motion made by Daly and second by Herbaugh to designate the State Print Shop as the printer for the LB644 postcards for 2023. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Daly, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Daly to approve the corrected Resolution #2023-8, designating forest reserve funds payment. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Daly, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 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:

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Pamela S. Moody, Chair

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Lorissa Hartman, County Clerk