

Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 18, 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 Commissioner Herbaugh arriving at 8:31 a.m. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith, 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 July 6, 2023.

Motion made by Daly and second by Moody to adopt the agenda with one correction to item #16, adding Sandhills Area Daycare to the discussion item. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Herbaugh. Motion carried.

Motion made by Daly and second by Moody to approve the July 5, 2023 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on July 13, 2023. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Daly. Nays – none. Absent – Herbaugh. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Commissioner Herbaugh reported that he had spoken with Travis Collier about material needed for Day Rd/Wild Horse Creek Rd. The board agreed that they could supply Colliers with 8 loads of crushed concrete. Commissioner Moody will check with Bubba Rodocker to see if he is still available to haul these 8 loads of crushed concrete material to Colliers for \$135/hour.

Commissioner Herbaugh stated that he had tested the millings that were just crushed. This material would work well to make cold mix out of. Lloyd will check with Figgins about possibly doing this. The material will work well to use mixed with aggregate for roads. Not enough oil content to make it usable alone by itself.

Discussion was held with Keith to determine areas that need immediate attention due to the rains creating washouts. Keith reported training Jim Sevier to use the loader and he will be fixing washouts on Finney Lane. Jim will also be trained in the grader and will hopefully be able to assist in the future.

Keith reported that he will haul some mix to Seneca lot to be used on the streets in Seneca.

Motion made by Daly and second by Herbaugh to hire Jim Johnston on as a part time temporary CDL driver for the county. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Daly, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Correspondence presented. No action taken.

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

GENERAL FUND-

APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	SERVICES	105.00
ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	AD. EXPENSE	1540.00
BORDERS LAW OFFICE	ATTY FEES	1038.46
CHARRON LAWN CARE	FERTILIZER	435.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	28.64
LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK	PROBATION	1155.07
LINDEMEIER LAW OFFICE	ATTY FEES	40.00
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	BOX RENT	98.00
MARION RHOADES	LAWNCARE	1000.00
THOMAS CO TREASURER	POSTAGE	47.28
VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE	133.74

ROAD FUND-

KEITH HARTMAN	DOT EXAM	100.00
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NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	2358.03
NORTHERN MATERIALS LLC	SERVICES	34014.75
EXTENSION FUND-		
JAY HOLTHUS	MILEAGE	125.76
KWIK STOP	FUEL	41.48
TL MEYER	FUEL	21.14
MICHELLE MILLESON	MILEAGE	13.10
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	BOX RENT	152.00
THE SPUR	MEAL	151.42
TRISH WEBER	MILEAGE	36.68
LIBRARY FUND-		
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	11.57
APRIL SMITH	COOKIES	136.00
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	154.50
BOOKMOBILE FUND-		
	WINDOW	
APRIL SMITH	VINYL	40.00
VIRGIL UHRMACHER	MILEAGE	148.03

Office reports:

Clerk reported that on the NACO convention in December. Discussed upcoming dates for working on the budget and the budget hearing.

Treasurer presented the financial report for June. Treasurer reported that the treasurer's office will be closed the afternoon of July 26th for training.

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

Motion made by Daly and second by Herbaugh to approve the county acting as a fiscal sponsor for the Sandhills Area Childcare grant. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Daly, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve the pest control services with Dewrock Pest Control. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Daly, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Chair Moody recessed the meeting at 10:30 a.m. to enter into the Thomas County Board of Equalization.

Chair Moody reconvened the meeting at 10:41 a.m.

Motion made by Moody and second by Daly to approve the ARPA application for the UCC-Halsey. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Daly, Moody. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion made by Daly and second by Moody to approve the ARPA application for the Sandhills Area Childcare. Roll call vote: Ayes – Daly, Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Motion carried.

No public comment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, August 1, 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.

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Attest:

Pamela S. Moody, Chair

Lorissa Hartman, Thomas County Clerk