

Thomas County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
October 17, 2023

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners convened in open and public session at 8:30 a.m., in the Commissioners room of the Thomas County Courthouse, Thedford NE. Members present were Pam Moody and Lewis Herbaugh. Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to excuse member Daly. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Daly. Motion carried. Also present were board secretary/County Clerk Lorissa Hartman, County Treasurer Andrea Thomas, County Highway Superintendent Lloyd Smith 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 October 5, 2023.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to adopt the October 17, 2023 regular meeting agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Absent – Daly. Motion carried.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to approve the October 3, 2023 regular meeting minutes as published in the Thomas County Herald on October 12, 2023. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Daly. Motion carried.

Road discussion:

Report was given on maintenance on various roads. The road department was not in attendance for the meeting as they were out grading roads since we had received some moisture in the area.

Discussion was held on the material test report from Atlas. It was determined that it may work better to have Figgins Construction come in and mix the material for cold mix rather than having the county purchase oil and do the mixing. This will be a spring/early summer project for 2024. Informal quotes or bids will be obtained at a later date.

Proposals for armor coating W North Loup Road were reviewed.

Motion made by Herbaugh and second by Moody to accept the proposal from Figgins Construction to armor coat W North Loup Rd in the amount of \$52,893.10. Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Daly. Motion carried.

Proposal from Figgins Construction to cut the edge of the W North Loup Road was reviewed. No action taken to accept the proposal.

Correspondence presented. The NACO voter registration from for December 2023 election was completed.

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

GENERAL FUND-

APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	SERVICES	883.80
ARGANBRIGHT LAW OFFICE	ADMIN EXP	995.00
BROUILLETTE, DUGAN, TROSHYNSKI PC	ATTY FEES	975.00
CHARRON LAWN CARE	SERVICES	435.00
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL	SERVICES	150.00
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	SUPPLIES	102.00
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	19.47
LORISSA HARTMAN	MILEAGE/MEALS	198.14
HOLIDAY INN	LODGING	239.90
LINDEMEIER LAW OFFICE	ATTY FEES	673.17
NACO	LB644 POSTCARD	533.11
NEBRASKA UC FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT	18.79
MARION RHOADES	OCT LAWNCARE	1000.00
THOMAS CO CLERK PETTY CASH	POSTAGE	11.17
THOMAS CO TREASURER	2ND QTR BOOK	920.00
U S BANK	FUEL	55.26

VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE	26.36
ROAD FUND-		
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	SUPPLIES	2.50
MID-AMERICA RESEARCH CHEMICAL	SUPPLIES	1163.00
NIOBRARA VALLEY CONSULTANTS LLC	SERVICES	3349.20
VISITORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-		
CONDON SIGNS	SERVICES	2055.00
THEDFORD LUMBER & SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	20000.00
EXTENSION FUND-		
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	COPIER EXPENSE	120.88
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	140.40
KWIK STOP	FUEL	74.80
LIBRARY FUND-		
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICE, INC	INK, BUG SPRAY	52.00
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	SERVICES	295.00
EWOLDTS GROCERY INC	SUPPLIES	29.17
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	UTILITIES	154.50
BOOKMOBILE FUND-		
BRODART CO.	BOOKS	241.50
ARPA GRANT FUND-		
VILLAGE OF THEDFORD	ARPA GRANT	64000.00

Office reports:

Clerk reported on attending the Election Workshop in Kearney. The big push will be to educate people on the need to bring their ID to the polls to vote in May 2024. Early vote applications will also need to be completed with the voter's ID number. Anyone acting as an agent to pickup a ballot for someone will need to have the voter's ID number.

Treasurer presented the September financial report. Andrea also gave an update on the daycare progress.

Sheriff reported on the conference he attended. He discussed upcoming legislation that will be introduced, one will be for licensing UTV and ATV's and the other will be for a push to have the State help counties defray the cost of providing courtroom security for the Judges.

Emergency Manager report was given on an upcoming meeting with the Public Service Commission at the Region 26 meeting in Taylor on October 30th.

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

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to approve the SDL application from Sandhills Corral for November 18, 2023 at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. Roll call vote: Ayes – Moody, Herbaugh. Nays – none. Absent – Daly. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moody and second by Herbaugh to surplus the following items from the library inventory:

- HP Scan Jet N6310 – 50911063 (broken)
- IOET15RZTE145GV15J4T141AIKBB - HP Laptop – Gates Grant (outdated)
- K4T20138W4104Q4E06BP9T02YMOTBB – HP Laptop - Gates Grant (outdated)
- 2UA24229NN – HP Compac Pro Desktop – refurbished – (outdated)
- MXL12102CZ – HP Desktop Tower – (outdated)
- Vision Net WIFI modem (broken)
- OKXGVD – Dell Optiplex Windows 7 Desktop – (outdated)
- HP 3050 Printer (broken)
- AGH3186256 – Copystar Copy Machine (broken)
- PNP3G-YKTGR-MG Asus Antec 7th Gen Windows Home 10 – (outdated)
- 5CD6163R27 – HP Laptop N3050 (CPU out)
- CND4101V54 – HP Laptop (outdated)

Roll call vote: Ayes – Herbaugh, Moody. Nays – none. Absent – Daly. Motion carried.

Chair Moody recessed the regular meeting at 10:00 a.m. to enter into the Board of Equalization meeting.

Chair Moody reconvened the regular meeting at 10:15 a.m.

No public comment at this time.

Chair Moody adjourned the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 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, County Clerk