

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A POLICY FOR
UTILITY APPLICATIONS AND PERMITS
IN THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS, THAT:

Section 1 Definitions. As used in this resolution, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section, except when the context requires otherwise.

- A. Utility Company: A company authorized by state law to install, operate, and/or maintain their facilities on public road or right-of way.
- B. Contractor: A person or company that is licensed, bonded, and insured to do utility work in the State of Kansas.

Section 2 Purpose.

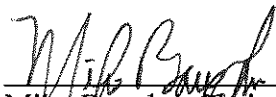
- A. Utility Companies must request an application for permission to excavate and install facilities within public rights-of-way under the jurisdiction of Thomas County.
- B. The Utility Company must list a Contractor as outlined in the permit.
- C. The Thomas County Road and Bridge Department will process all applications. Any appeals of the application process may be brought before the full Board of Commissioners.
- D. A \$2,000.00 deposit will be made prior to the commencement of any project and is due at the time of an approved application. The permit will outline the process of returning the deposit to the applying Utility Company.
- E. It is in the public interest to establish a policy for requesting utility applications and permits in Thomas County, Kansas to ensure safety for the citizens using the right-of-way.
- F. The permit will hold Utility Companies responsible for any damages or cost that are incurred in their project.

Section 3 Effective Date.

- A. This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its adopting and approval and its publication one time in the Official City Newspaper.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 30th day of March, 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS



Mike Baughn, Chairman



Byron Sowers, Member

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ATTEST:

Shelly A. Harms
Shelly A. Harms, County Clerk

