



Pierce County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

July 27, 2020

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, July 27, 2020, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Marvin Elwood, Jr., Jim Schmit and Terry J. Wragge. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge and News Reporter Randee Falter were present.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance as shown by the Certificate of Publication on file in the County Clerk's office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. Chairman Wragge called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M. and presided. Chairman Wragge stated that the Open Meetings Act is posted on the north wall of the board room with more copies available at the County Clerk's office.

Motion by Elwood, seconded by Schmit, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of July 13, 2020 were approved as printed.

Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was present and discussion was held on the Road Manipulation 2020 Project #201038, the Plainview South Overlay Project #190171, repair of Bridge #01710 and #13715 and on the 1 & 6 Year Road Project for 20/21 FY.

Bids for the Road Manipulation 2020 Project #201038 and the Plainview South Overlay Project #190171 were opened and read aloud. The following bid was received for the Road Manipulation 2020 Project #201038: 1 Bid Received-Sta-Bilt Construction, Harlan, IA-total base bid of \$419,929.20 with a start date of June 1, 2021. 3 Bids were received for the Plainview South Overlay Project #190171-A & R Construction, Plainview, NE-total base bid of \$1,658,165.48 with a start date of October 1, 2020; BX Civil & Construction, Dell Rapids, SD-total base bid of \$2,217,149.00 with a start date of April 19, 2021; Paulsen Inc, Cozad, NE-total base bid of \$1,902,528.00 with a start date of June 1, 2021. Discussion was held on the bids received.

Motion by Elwood, seconded by Wragge, to approve, accept and award the Plainview South Overlay Project #190171 to A & R Construction, Plainview, total base bid of \$1,658,165.48 with a start date of October 1, 2020 pending review of numbers by Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwood, seconded by Schmit, to approve, accept and award the Road Manipulation 2020 Project #201038 to Sta-Bilt Construction, Harlan, IA-total base bid of \$419,929.20 with a start date of June 1, 2021 pending review of numbers by Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the repair of Bridges #01710 and #13715 and 1 & 6 Year Rd Plan. Advertising for repairs was tabled.

Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter was present and discussion was held on the Interlocal Agreement with Madison County that was approved May 6, 2019 for Zoning Adm. position and budget shared with Madison County. Agreement needs amended to add part-time clerical and cell phone of what Pierce County pays 30% for as it was left out in error in 2019.

Motion by Wragge, seconded by Elwood, to approve the amended Interlocal Agreement with Madison County for the 20/21 FY and beyond for Zoning Adm. position shared with Madison County with Pierce County sharing in 30% of costs. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

PCED Director Susan Norris and UNL Interns Judith Grey and Marie Meis were present to give the Board a Summer 2020 Wrap Up presentation by the interns.

Co. Sheriff Rick Eberhardt, Kathy Prince, Co. Treasurer Chris Bahr was present.

Motion by Wragge, seconded by Schmit, to go into executive session at 10:26 a.m. regarding personnel issues. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwood, seconded by Schmit, to come out of executive session at 10:51 a.m. regarding personnel issues. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.



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Discussion was held on the 20/21 FY budget and on levy allocation for the subdivisions. The levy allocation for the subdivisions will be approved at the August 24, 2020 regular scheduled board meeting. The budget hearing for the 20/21 fiscal year will be on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

Motion by Elwood, seconded by Schmit, to approve the 2020 Inventories for all county offices and the road departments as submitted. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwood, seconded by Schmit, to authorize and approve the Board Chairman to sign Disaster Grant Drawdown #2 for \$3,075.00 payable to NE Nebraska Economic Development District for Request for NE Affordable Housing Trust Funds (NAHTF). Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Wragge, to approve Resolution #2020-13 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2020 -13

PIERCE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Telecommunication Infrastructure and Public Safety Department of the Public Service Commission has completed its review of the supplementary documentation submitted regarding the use of the Wireless Enhanced 911 Funds for the fiscal year 2018-2019 and according to the documentation provided funds from the Wireless Enhanced E911 Fund #2913 was overspent and Fund #2913 needs to be reimbursed. \$2,491.49 should be reimbursed to the Fund #2913 wireless account from the Fund #2910 account or some other funding source for this expenditure.

THEREFORE, Pierce County is directed by the Nebraska Public Service Commission to transfer \$2,491.49 from the Enhanced 911 Fund #2910 to the Wireless Enhanced 911 Fund #2913;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Pierce County Board of Commissioners that the Pierce County Clerk is directed to transfer the following funds thru the claim process as follows to the Wireless Enhanced 911 Fund #2913:

\$2,491.49 from the 911 Fund (#2910) to the Wireless Enhanced 911 Fund (#2913)

Adopted this 27th day of July, 2020, at Pierce, Nebraska

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Terry J. Wragge, Chairman

/s/ Marvyn Elwood, Jr., District #1 Commissioner

/s/ Jim Schmit, District #2 Commissioner

ATTEST: /s/ Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk

Whereas the original for said resolution is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwood, seconded by Wragge, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request for a special designated liquor license for Shane Taylor dba Whitehouse/Taylor's for events at the Pierce Pavilion from 4:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 17, 2020. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwood, seconded by Wragge, to approve Resolution #2020-14 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2020 -14

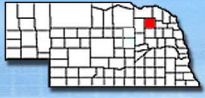
PIERCE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 2-953.01 authorizes the control of noxious weeds in counties to be performed by the County board; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 2-953.01 authorizes County Boards to pass a resolution to require the question of whether the county weed district board shall be dissolved to be placed on the ballot at the next election following the passage of such resolution; and

WHEREAS, the control of noxious weeds in Pierce County is performed by the Pierce County Noxious Weed District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, that the question "Shall the Pierce County Noxious Weed District be dissolved and its duties and authority be



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exercised by the Pierce County Board of Commissioners?" shall be placed on the ballot at the next election, Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

Adopted this 27th day of July, 2020, at Pierce, Nebraska

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Terry J. Wragge, Chairman

/s/ Marvin Elwood, Jr., District #1 Commissioner

/s/ Jim Schmit, District #2 Commissioner

ATTEST: /s/ Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk

Whereas the original for said resolution is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Wragge, seconded by Elwood, to approve Resolution #2020-15 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2020 -15

PIERCE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 32-525 requires the question of electing a county surveyor to appear on the ballot at the statewide general election in 2020 in all counties with a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants unless the county board in such counties with an elected surveyor passed a resolution prior to February 1, 2020 to retain the office as an elected position; and

WHEREAS, the population of Pierce County is less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants according to the most recent official United States Census; and

WHEREAS, the office of elected county surveyor of Pierce County appeared on the ballot at the November 2020 statewide general election; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Board of Commissioners did not pass a resolution to retain the office as an elected county position but determined that the issue should be placed before the registered voters of Pierce County at the next statewide general election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, that the question "Shall the office of the Pierce County Surveyor remain as an elected position in Pierce County?" shall be placed on the ballot at the next election, Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

Adopted this 27th day of July, 2020, at Pierce, Nebraska

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Terry J. Wragge, Chairman

/s/ Marvin Elwood, Jr., District #1 Commissioner

/s/ Jim Schmit, District #2 Commissioner

ATTEST: /s/ Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk

Whereas the original for said resolution is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Elwood, to approve Resolution #2020-16 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2020 -16

PIERCE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, Pierce County Funds are managed by the Pierce County Treasurer (SS 23-601) and the County Board has the authority to direct transfers between County Funds (SS 13-522 to 13-518).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, directs the Pierce County Treasurer to transfer the following monies to clean up funds not used &/or to correct overpayments made in the 2019/2020 fiscal year:

Fund 6001 (State Keno/Lottery General) to Fund 0100 (General) for \$.56

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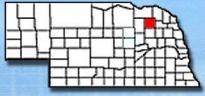
PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Terry J. Wragge, Chairman

/s/ Marvin Elwood, Jr., District #1 Commissioner

/s/ Jim Schmit, District #2 Commissioner

ATTEST: /s/ Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk



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Whereas the original for said resolution is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwood seconded by Schmit, to approve the application for Elkhorn Rural Public Power District for the application for the undercrossing and occupying County ROW of a county road with a 2" electrical line, approximately 2,708' east of 550 Avenue and undercrossing and running along 852 Road in the SE ¼ of Section 35, Township 26 North, Range 2 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Elwood, seconded by Schmit, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request for a special designated liquor license for Pierce American Legion for events at the Pierce Pavilion from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 5, 2020. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Wragge, seconded by Schmit, to audit and allow the following claims presented for payment and instructed the County Clerk to issue checks for payment of same on the various funds. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Donald Blecha-prior service-\$45.00; Consolidated Management Co-deputy training-\$173.55; Egley, Fullner, Montag, Morland, Easland-public defender-\$2,500.00; Elite Office Products-service-\$219.35; Kim Huwaldt-reimburse mileage-\$26.00; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment-uniforms-\$209.84; Johnson's Inc-service-\$366.99; Kate M. Jorgensen-public defender-\$2,500.00; Aaron Keck-reimburse mileage-\$10.66; BJ Koepp-reimburse mileage-\$20.35; Gloria Kudera-reimburse mileage-\$13.45; Midwest Bank-co share-\$4,180.99; NE Health & Human Services-June 2020 housing-\$180.00; NIRMA-liability insurance-\$141,141.00; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-\$49.99; Pierce Co Treasurer-interest on impress account-\$134.76; Pierce City-utilities-\$2,704.16; Prime Stop North-gas-\$154.07; Quill-supplies-\$29.99; Randolph Times-subscription-\$36.50; Region IV -1st quarter FY 20/21 budget-\$2,340.25; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$3,529.29; Shelbie Schulte-reimburse supplies-\$19.68; Robert Seegebarth-prior service-\$33.00; State of NE Central Finance-computer network fees-\$114.38; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-\$413.00; Whitey's Sprinklers-service-\$100.00; Lori Wragge-reimburse mileage-\$11.15; Payroll-\$54,784.41.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: AKRS Equipment-repair parts-\$59.08; Alpha Workforce Health-drug testing-\$52.00; B's Enterprises-culverts, signs, blades-\$11,383.50; Bazile Aggregate Co-gravel-\$9,359.41; Black Hills Energy-utilities-\$42.33; Bomgaars-supplies-\$310.94; Ryan Broderson-easement-\$189.00; Cedar Beef-hauling rock/gravel-\$877.60; CenturyLink-service-\$70.69; DD Steel-service-\$261.76; Dinkel's-tractor rent-\$1,394.80; Eugene Goetsch & Brent Goetsch-easement-\$1,085.00; Janssen Construction-dirt work-\$1,500.00; Jebro-supplies-\$4,377.73; JEO Consulting-engineering-\$41,028.50; Kimball Midwest-supplies-\$592.33; Lawson Products-supplies-\$1,331.87; Martin Marietta Materials-gravel-\$5,321.71; Meisinger Oil-diesel-\$2,384.29; Midwest Bank-co share-\$2,243.10; NE Power-service-\$251.00; Nutrien-supplies-\$286.32; Osmond Farm Supply-diesel-\$1,404.99; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-\$189.76; Pierce City-utilities-\$180.82; Prime Stop-gas-\$51.85; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$1,770.20; Payroll-\$29,321.21.

GRANTS FUND: Ne Nebr Economic Development-Nebr. Affordable Housing-\$3,075.00.

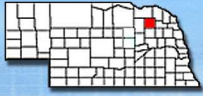
E911 FUND: CenturyLink-service-\$62.00; Pierce Co Treasurer-transfer funds to Wireless fund-\$2,491.49.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: CenturyLink-service-\$263.48.

BOND FUND: JEO-engineering, FEMA-\$1,785.00.

The courthouse and jail inspections were tabled.

There being no further business, Chairman Wragge adjourned the meeting at 11:20 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 9:10 A.M. as County Board of Commissioners, said meeting is open to the public. An agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk.



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/s/ Terry J. Wragge
Chairman, Pierce County
Board of Commissioners

/s/ Shannon Wragge
Pierce County Clerk

I, Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk, do hereby certify that all the subjects contained in the foregoing proceedings are contained in the agenda for the meeting kept continuously current and available for public inspection at my office; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least 24 hours prior to the meeting; that the minutes of said meeting were in written form and available for public inspection within 10 working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that any news media requesting notification concerning said meetings or said County Board were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meetings and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

/s/ Shannon Wragge
Pierce County Clerk
