



Pierce County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

October 5, 2020

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, October 5, 2020, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Marvin Elwood, Jr., Jim Schmit and Terry J. Wragge. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Whitney Abbott, Tom Ekeler, Ray Rutzen, Jim McTaggart, Kent Shirley 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 and minutes. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of September 21, 2020 were approved as printed.

Whitney Abbott with North Central Health District was present to update the Board on Tobacco & Alcohol Compliance Checks and Legislation.

Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was present and discussion was held on the opening of bids for the repair of Bridge #01710 and #13715.

Bids for the Foster Northwest (Bridge #01710) (Project #190704) & Pierce Northeast (Bridge #13715) (Project #200261) were opened and read aloud. The following 6 bids were received for the Foster Northwest (Bridge 1710) (Project #190704): MC Wells Contracting LLC, Omaha, NE-base bid of \$587,945.00 with a start date of November 9, 2020; Simon Construction, North Platte, NE-base bid of \$554,100.00 with a start date of Feb. 15, 2021; Theisen Construction Inc.-Norfolk, NE -base bid of \$460,945.85 with a start date of June 1, 2021; JJK Construction LLC, Ceresco, NE-base bid of \$487,636.09 with a start date of November 13, 2020; Midwest Infrastructure Inc.-Lincoln, NE -base bid of \$496,739.56 with a start date of April 21, 2021; Herbst Construction Inc., LeMars, IA-base bid of \$524,973.00 with a start date of Jan. 11, 2021. The following 6 bids were received for the Pierce Northeast (Bridge 13715) (Project #200261): MC Wells Contracting LLC, Omaha, NE-base bid of \$410,790.00 with a start date of November 9, 2020; Simon Construction, North Platte, NE-base bid of \$413,900.00 with a start date of Feb. 15, 2021; Theisen Construction Inc.-Norfolk, NE -base bid of \$359,877.87 with a start date of June 1, 2021; JJK Construction LLC, Ceresco, NE-base bid of \$383,677.58 with a start date of November 13, 2020; Midwest Infrastructure Inc.-Lincoln, NE -base bid of \$410,211.51 with a start date of April 21, 2021; Herbst Construction Inc., LeMars, IA-base bid of \$385,177.50 with a start date of Jan. 11, 2021. Discussion was held on the bids received. A decision will be made at the next board meeting, Monday, October 19, 2020.

County Attorney Ted Lohrberg discussed with the Board on the cleaning of ditches and tree removal from the road right-of-way when the growth becomes a public nuisance. As per state statute 39-182 it is the responsibility of the land owner to clean ditches/trees and if county does the service it is to be assessed to the landowner. Clerk Wragge was directed to place in the tax statements a letter to landowners that it is their responsibility to clean ditches out and remove trees from road right-of-way.

Discussion was held on the current auditor contract with Beau Redowl for the 19/20 fiscal year, whereas, the State Auditors Office is not accepting his audits at this time therefore Pierce County needs to find a firm to do this audit and comply with state statute. A bid quote was received from the State Auditor at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 and one received from Porter & Company at a cost not to exceed \$11,000. No decision was made.

Motion by Wragge, seconded by Schmit, to approve Resolution #2020-24 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2020-24



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WHEREAS, due to Sections 13-315 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the 2020-2021 Budget includes a transfer of funds from Inheritance to Pierce County Economic Development Fund, and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2021 County Budget was balanced by a fund transfer of \$44,000.00 from the Inheritance Fund (2700) to the Pierce County Economic Development Fund (2606),

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:

Inheritance Fund (2700)	\$44,000.00	to
Pierce County Economic Development Fund (2606)	\$44,000.00	
Total	\$44,000.00	

of the Property Taxes collected by the General Fund to above list. Disregard any previous resolutions on transfers.

Dated this 5th day of October, 2020

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.

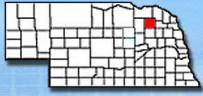
Motion by Schmit, seconded by Elwood, to audit and allow the following claims presented for payment and instructed the County Clerk to issue checks for payment of same on the various funds. Roll call vote: Aye: Elwood, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Black Hills Energy-service-\$32.70; Cuming Co Assessor-dues-\$25.00; Douglas Co Assessor-supplies-\$335.00; Eakes Office Solutions-supplies-\$31.96; Elite Office Products-supplies-\$433.64; Farm & Home Publishers-plat books-\$420.00; Ann Fenton-mileage-\$89.13; First Concord-deductibles & fees-\$5.00; Heartland-fire extinguisher inspection & recertification-\$694.95; Holiday Inn-lodging-\$269.85; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment-supplies-\$156.84; Jenkins Electric-repairs-\$1,058.33; Jean Lubke-reimb. for zoom class-\$265.00; Madison Natl Life Ins-premiums-\$85.89; Midwest Bank-co share-\$3,964.94; Miller Law-court appointed costs-\$981.25; NACO-registration-\$25.00; NE NE RC & D-2020 sponsor dues-\$3,000.00; Nebraska Health & Human Services-boarding-\$186.00; Pierce Automotive Supply-supplies-\$92.22; Pierce County Threshing Bee-support for 2020-\$1,150.00; Pierce City-utilities-\$2,849.52; Brian Planer-mowing of Koehler cemetery-\$332.97; Prime Stop-gas-\$205.70; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$3,622.94; Brett Rix-mileage-\$202.98; SMPC, LLC-support-\$335.00; State of NE Networking-service-\$448.00; Terminex-service-\$79.00; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-\$882.41; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-\$727.54; Town & Country Ins Agency-notary bond-\$40.00; TWD Lock, Safe & Key-repairs-\$100.00; UNL-registration-\$90.00; Walmart-supplies-\$237.34; Zee Medical-supplies-\$55.40; Payroll-\$55,290.65.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Evan Aschoff-freight & rock-\$13,078.80; Bauer Built-repair parts-\$364.00; Bazile Aggregate Co LLC-gravel-\$23,880.73; Bomgaars-supplies-\$74.82; Graham Tire-repairs-\$618.72; Appeara-service-\$84.40; JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineering-\$28,133.75; Kelly Supply Co-repair parts-\$202.15; Kimball Midwest-supplies-\$748.51; Matteo Sand & Gravel-gravel-\$3,831.26; Meisinger Oil Co-oil-\$1,456.15; Midwest Bank-co share-\$2,594.22; NE Power-utilities-\$254.00; Osmond Farm Supply Center Inc-diesel-\$1,373.99; Paul's Welding-repairs-\$5.58; Pierce Automotive-repair parts-\$123.15; Pierce City-utilities-\$186.94; R & D Welding-repairs-\$11.66; RDO Truck Centers-repairs-\$147.61; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$2,172.92; Safety-Kleen Systems-service-\$249.43; Tom's Service-gas-\$814.43; Payroll-\$34,592.01.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Midwest Bank, NA-co share-\$147.11; NE NE News Co-ads & subscription-\$188.93; Plainview News-supplies-\$78.75; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$114.23; Payroll-\$1,923.08.

INHERITANCE FUND: Transfer to Pierce County Economic Fund-support-\$44,000.00.



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E911 FUND: AT & T-service-\$46.24; CenturyLink-service-\$61.61; Midwest Card & ID-supplies-\$215.20.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: CenturyLink-service-\$262.64.

HIGHWAY BONDS FUND: JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineering-\$5,526.25.

There being no further business, Chairman Wragge adjourned the meeting at 9:55 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, October 19, 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.

/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
