



Pierce County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS February 22, 2021

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, February 22, 2021, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Jim Schmit and Terry J. Wragge. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Deputy EMS Rich Lutz, EMS Bobbi Risor 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 9:12 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 Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of February 8, 2021 were approved as printed.

EMS Bobbi Risor and EMS Deputy Rich Lutz was present to discuss with the County Board the Community Wildlife Fire Protection Plan Steering Committee Designation, Electronic LEOP's and IPAWS.

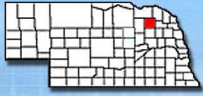
Motion by Schmit, seconded by Wragge, to approve and designate EMS Bobbi Risor and EMS Deputy Rich Lutz to the Community Wildlife Fire Protection Plan Steering Committee. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

PCED Susan Norris updated the Board on economic development in the county, the Lower Elkhorn NRD and the Willow Creek Lake Recreation Area whereas the Lower Elkhorn NRD Board decided to delay the blue algae study.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Kuether, 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: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: BCBS-health premiums-\$29,907.76; Classic Rentals-service-\$171.43; Egly, Fullner, Montag, Morland, Easland PC-public defender-\$2,500.00; Elite Office Products-maintenance agreement-\$41.51; First Concord-adm costs & deductibles-\$6,150.44; Floor Maintenance-supplies-\$337.38; FP Finance Program-meter rent-\$180.09; Jack's Uniforms-uniforms-\$569.33; Johnson's Plumbing & Heating-repairs-\$1,848.00; Kate M. Jorgensen PC LLO-public defender-\$2,500.00; Jennie Martinez-mileage-\$19.15; Maximus-2019 cost allocation plan-\$850.00; Heather McWhorter-mileage-\$19.15; Midwest Bank-co share-\$3,861.87; NE HHSS-January 2021 boarding costs-\$186.00; Norfolk Daily News-subscriptions-\$211.00; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-\$274.69; Pierce County Leader-ads-\$588.60; Pierce County Treasurer-transfer to Road & Bridge Fund-\$750,000.00; Pierce County District Court-court costs-\$72.00; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner meds.-\$96.18; Plainview News-ads-\$213.26; Precision Technology-software support-\$67.50; Prime Stop-gas-\$292.76; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$3,581.65; Security Shredding-shredding-\$192.50; State of NE Central Finance-computer service-\$79.88; Tiger Town-prisoner food-\$934.12; TWD Lock, Safe & Key-repairs-\$759.99; Walmart VISA-supplies-\$664.78; Western Oil LLC-gas-\$292.34; 911 Custom-supplies-\$40.65; Payroll-\$54,477.05.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Barco Municipal Products Inc-repair parts-\$325.54; Black Hills Energy-utilities-\$984.07; Carlson Home & Auto-propane-\$1,760.09; CenturyLink-telephone service-\$76.38; CHI Health Company Care-consortium fee-\$99.00; Classic Rentals-service-\$165.45; Jerry's Hilltop-gas-\$37.51; Kimball Midwest-repair parts-\$1,220.83; Lawson Products-prisoner parts-\$585.84; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-\$261.92; Matheson Tri-Gas-acetylene gas-\$36.52; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-\$3,317.41; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-\$2,231.30; North Central Public Power-utilities-\$277.72; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-\$195.80; Jeff Prince-reimb. supplies-\$152.49; RDO Truck Centers-repair parts-\$264.71; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$1,966.90; Rice's Body Shop-repairs-\$656.96; Safety Kleen-repairs-\$264.07; Theisen Construction Inc-Pay Order #3 for McLean SE & McLean SE #2 Projects-\$57,497.32;



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Wattier's True Value-supplies-\$120.68; Western Oil-gas-\$191.72; Willow Creek Sand & Gravel-gravel-\$119.72; Payroll-\$30,302.68.

VISITOR PROMO FUND: NE NE News Co-ads-\$6.27; Pierce Co. Leader-ads-\$5.85; Pierce Sesquicentennial Committee-grants-\$1,000.00; St John's Lutheran Church-grants-\$300.00.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT FUND: Osmond City Park-grants-\$1,000.00; Pierce Co. Agricultural Society-grants-\$1,000.00; Pierce Historical Society-grants-\$1,000.000; St John's Lutheran Church-grants-\$1,000.00.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Midwest Bank, NA-co share-\$147.11; NE Nebr. News Co-ads-\$5.85; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$114.23; Payroll-\$1,923.09.

E911 FUND: Pierce County Treasurer Wireless Fund-transfer per 19/20 audit-\$289.06; Plainview Telephone-service-\$28.69.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: Plainview Telephone-service-\$122.31.

GRANTS FUND: NE NE Economic Development-Nebr. Affordable Housing Drawdown #5-\$2,770.50.

COURTHOUSE JAIL & SINKING FUND: Magnolia Home Décor & Design-down payment for 23 office shades-\$4,000.00.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to approve Resolution #2021-3 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2021-3

WHEREAS, due to Section 39-1904 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the 2020-2021 County Road Fund budget does not include a property tax dollar request, and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2021 county budget was balanced by a fund transfer of \$3,030,000.00 from the General Fund to the County Road Fund,

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:

Road/Bridge Fund	<u>\$750,000.00</u>
Total	\$750,000.00

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

Dated this 22nd day of February, 2021

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Terry J. Wragge, Board Chairman

/s/ Jim Schmit, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Tom Kuether, District #1 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: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

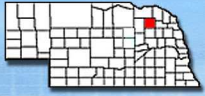
Motion by Schmit, seconded by Wragge, to Authorize Chairman to sign Pay Application #3 for \$57,497.32 for the McLean SE & McLean SE #2-JEO Projects #181711 & #181933 with Theisen Construction Inc, Norfolk, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuether, seconded by Wragge, to authorize and approve the Board Chairman to sign Disaster Grant Drawdown #5 for \$2,770.50 payable to NE Nebraska Economic Development District for Request for NE Affordable Housing Trust Funds (NAHTF). Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to approve Resolution #2021-4 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2021-4

WHEREAS, Larry Dix was the former Executive Director of the Nebraska Association of County officials, and WHEREAS, in that role, he served County Government through his effective lobbying in the State Legislature, trained many officials, both elected and appointed in their jobs serving county government,



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WHEREAS, he has worked tirelessly for all 93 counties in providing help and counsel whenever called upon, and

WHEREAS, he is well known for being an advocate for County Government throughout the State of Nebraska and was a friend to all, and

WHEREAS, he was been in that position for over 19 years and officially retired February 1, 2021 to become Executive Director Emeritus, and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his years of service and benefits he gave to all counties, the Pierce County Board of Commissioners hereby declares September 13, 2021 as Larry Dix Day to honor him for his accomplishments.

NOW THEREFORE, BE it RESOLVED, that the Pierce County Board of Commissioners hereby declares “Larry Dix Day” on September 13, 2021.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 2021

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Terry J. Wragge, Board Chairman

/s/ Jim Schmit, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Tom Kuether, District #1 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: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Wragge, to approve Resolution #2021-5 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2021 -5

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 2019-2020 and according to the documentation provided funds from the Wireless Enhanced E911 Fund #2913 was overspent and Fund #2913 needs to be reimbursed. \$289.06 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 \$289.06 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:

\$289.06 from the 911 Fund (#2910) to the Wireless Enhanced 911 Fund (#2913)

Adopted this 22nd day of February, 2021, at Pierce, Nebraska

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Terry J. Wragge, Chairman

/s/ Tom Kuether District #1 Commissioner

/s/ Jim Schmit, District #2 Commissioner

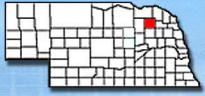
ATTEST: /s/ Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk

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: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion held on the mowing of roads for 2021.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Wragge, to approve and authorize the Clerk to place an ad in local newspapers notifying the public of the mowing of county roads to be done by the County in 2021 and if there is planting within 33’ from the center of the county roads the growth will be mowed as per NE State Statute 39-1702 and 39-1811-1812. Roll call vote: Aye: Schmit and Wragge. Nay: Kuether. Motion carried.

Motion by Wragge, seconded by Schmit, to authorize and approve the Board Chairman and County Attorney to sign the 2021-2023 Memo of Understanding between Pierce County and Madison County for the NE Crime Commission Community Based Juvenile Services Grant Application. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.



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County Board joined a mandatory Zoom meeting with NIRMA on DOT Reasonable Suspicion Training.

There being no further business, Chairman Wragge adjourned the meeting at 11:43 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, March 8, 2021 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
