

Pierce County Board Minutes



COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

August 9, 2021

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, August 9, 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, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, Kate Jorgensen, PCED Susan Norris, Clerk of District Court Vickie Prince, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Deputy Co. Clerk Susan Peters, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Lowell Schroeder and News Reporter Randee Falter.

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

The minutes of July 26, 2021 were approved as printed.

Co. Treasurer Chris Bahr was present and discussion was held on the Distress Warrant Report to be submitted by County Sheriff by August 1. Approval was tabled as no report was submitted.

Accountant Mike Pommer was present and discussion was held on the 21/22 fiscal year budget and on the levy allocations for the subdivisions. The levy allocation for the subdivisions will be approved at the Monday, August 23, 2021 at 9:10 a.m. meeting because no valuations from the Assessors have been received yet. The budget hearing for the 21/22 fiscal year will be on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. By new State Statute two public hearings will need to be heard before approval of the 21/22 FY budget.

Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg and Public Defender Kate Jorgensen were present to discuss the public defender contracts between Pierce County and Public Defender Kate Jorgensen that are due to expire September 1, 2021. Firm of Egely, Fullner, Montag, Morland & Easland, PC, withdrew their interest in a new agreement with the County. Jorgensen agreed upon the salary of \$50,000.00 per year for minimum of one year and possibly two years. Approval of the agreement will be placed on the August 23, 2021 agenda.

Discussion was held on the complaints Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter has been receiving on K. Porter's Conditional Use Permit that states conditions Porter must be doing to clear road of debris, but the conditions are not being followed. Board had directed McWhorter to send letter letting him know that he must comply with the conditions in the Febr. 2013 CUP issued.

Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was present and discussion was held on the bridge replacement of county line bridge No. C007010220 and on the 1 & 6 Year Rd Plan for 21/22 with a hearing date planned for Monday, Sept. 20, 2021 at 9:15 a.m.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Wragge, to Authorize Clerk to advertise for the bridge replacement of county line Bridge No. C007010220 with bids to be opened on Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2021 at 9:20 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the 30x30 Program directed by President Biden to conserve at least 30% of the lands and water in the US by 2030. No decision was made to pass a county resolution opposing the program.

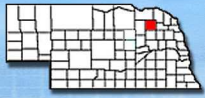
Motion by Kuether, seconded by Schmit, to approve the application for Philip Gutz for the under crossing of a county road with a 15" water/tile line, running catty corner across the intersection between Sections 26/34, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Wragge, to approve Resolution #2021-22 as follows:

RESOLUTION 2021 - 22

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,



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Nebraska, directs the Pierce County Clerk to transfer the following monies thru the claims process to clean up funds or to correct overpayments/underpayments made in the 2020/2021 fiscal year due to the coding of fringe benefits in the budget software program:

Fund 2606 (PCED) to Fund 0100 (General) for \$2,781.43
Fund 0300 (Road Bridge) to Fund 0100 (General) for \$24,704.97

ADOPTED at Pierce, Nebraska this 9th day of August, 2021.

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.

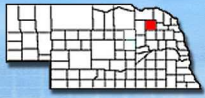
Motion by Kuether, seconded by Schmit, to Authorize Chairman to sign Pay Application #2 for \$98,084.57 for the Foster NW and Pierce NE-JEO Projects #190704 & #200261 with Theisen Construction Inc, Norfolk, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on a new coverage NACO is offering counties for air and ground ambulance service.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Rick Eberhardt, Co Sheriff, for June and July 2021; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for July 2021; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for July 2021 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total \$287,710.55 and 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: Mark Albin-court appointed attorney-\$575.25; Joe Aschoff-reimburse mileage-\$96.16; Black Hills Energy-utilities-\$79.66; Hillary Broekemeier-equipment-\$250.00; CVSOAN-registration fee-\$60.00; Eakes Office Solutions-supplies-\$239.66; Elite Office Products-maint. agreement-\$28.00; Guy Ellsworth-reimburse mileage-\$47.25; FRHS-prisoner medical-\$48,054.22; Faith Regional Physician Serv.-prisoner medical \$6,124.00; First Concord-adm costs-\$2.50; First Concord-buy down deductible-\$1,058.11; Clayton Fischer-reimburse mileage-\$15.70; Dwaine Hoffman-reimburse mileage-\$81.36; Dale Jaeger-reimburse mileage-\$7.19; Johnson's Inc-repairs-\$87.00; Gerry Krueger-reimburse mileage-\$23.08; Scott Kumm-reimburse mileage-\$21.45; LexisNexis-law library-\$140.00; Richard Lutz-reimburse mileage-\$14.66; Madison Co Sheriff-paper service-\$38.06; Madison National Life Ins-premiums-\$39.60; Magdanz Inc-supplies-\$72.05; Mattson Garage-repairs-\$582.80; Microfilm Imaging Systems-scanner rent-\$46.00; Midwest Bank-co share-\$4,167.67; MIPS Inc-computer support-\$2,635.54; NACO-registration fees-\$300.00; Thomas Nathan-reimburse mileage-\$116.19; NE Assoc. of Co Clerks-registration fee-\$50.00; Norfolk Auto Center-repair parts-\$233.29; Pierce Co Sheriff Prisoner Transportation-travel-\$8.47; Pierce Co Court-court costs-\$455.50; Pierce Telephone Co-service-\$2,346.76; Precision Technology-computer support-\$202.50; Prime Stop-gas-\$309.65; Quill-office supplies-\$146.97; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$3,660.22; Larry Schaefer-reimburse mileage-\$71.38; State of NE Central Finance-computer network service-\$448.00; Terminix Processing Center-service-\$83.00; Tiger Town-prisoner food-\$841.66; Tom's Service-gas-\$1,137.60; Town & Country Ins.-bond fee-\$40.00; US Postal Service CMRS-FP-meter postage-\$500.00; Visa-postage, supplies-\$66.05; Walmart Capital One-supplies-\$190.87; Byron Wragge-reimburse mileage-\$49.26; Ryan Zimmerman-reimburse mileage-\$68.40; Payroll-\$57,546.58.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: AKRS Equipment-supplies-\$5.09; Appera-uniforms-\$86.60; B's Enterprises Inc-signs-\$1,145.50; Bauer Built-repairs-\$50.50; Bazile Aggregate Co LLC-gravel-\$10,864.48; Gary Brunckhorst-CDL license-\$59.50; Cornhusker International Trucks-repair parts-\$21.50; Dinkel's-repairs-\$619.45; Eastern NE Telephone-service-\$112.05; JEO Consulting-engineering-\$15,866.25; Jerry's Hilltop-gas-



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\$151.04; Lawson Products-repair parts-\$154.97; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-\$95.94;Magdanz-supplies-\$87.45; Martin Marietta-rock-\$439.01; Matheson Tri-Gas-supplies-\$79.84; Matteo sand & gravel-\$409.63; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-\$6,038.89; Midwest Bank-co share-\$2,318.92; NE NE Tire & Trailer-gas-\$113.89; NMC Exchange-repair parts-\$2,017.05; North Central Public Power-service-\$233.60; Northeast Glass-service-\$450.00; Osmond Farm Supply-diesel-\$2,208.36; Paul’s Welding-supplies-\$74.95; Pierce Auto Repair-repairs-\$115.85; Pierce Telephone-service-\$179.65; Plainview Auto Supply-repair parts-\$83.98; Plainview Telephone-service-\$97.01; City of Plainview-utilities-\$93.02; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$3,253.44; Steinkraus Service-gas-\$606.00; Theisen Construction Inc-Pay Application #1 for Foster NW & Pierce NE Projects-\$98,084.57; Tom’s Service-gas-\$824.82; Wattier True Value-repair parts-\$107.58; West Hodson Lumber-gravel-\$942.60; Payroll-\$31463.81.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Elite Office Products-supplies-\$7.44; Five Rule-comprehensive plan-\$11,202.00; Brianna Gable-contract labor-\$1,063.80; Member Marketplace-dues-\$2,000.00; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-\$21.06; Benjamin Niyodusenga-contract labor-\$1,063.80; Susan Norris-reimburse supplies-\$1,042.38; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$57.12; Lillian Uwanjye-contract labor-\$1,063.80; Payroll-\$846.15.

E911 FUND: AT & T-service-\$47.62; Pierce Telephone-service-\$63.42; Plainview Telephone-service-\$19.63.

WIRELESS FUND: Pierce Telephone-service-\$409.69; Plainview Telephone-service-\$131.37.

HIGHWAY BOND FUND: JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineering-\$2,773.75.

REGISTER OF DEEDS: MIPS-computer support-\$336.12.

County Board did courthouse and jail inspection and all 3 returned.

There being no further business, Chairman Wragge adjourned the meeting at 11:06 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, August 23, 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
