

# Pierce County Board Minutes



## COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

June 13, 2022

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, June 13, 2022, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Jim Schmit and Terry J. Wragge. Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Sheriff Rick Eberhardt, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Deputy Co. Sheriff Dan Hallock, Kristy Hallock, Court Magistrate Kristina Sehi, Bob Wehrer, Linda Mattson, Ben Fuller, Robert Latimer, EMS Bobbi Risor, Jeremy Tarr, PCED Susan Norris, Dan Fuerhoff 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 Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to approve the agenda and minutes. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of May 31, 2022 were approved as printed.

Plainview, Pierce and Osmond Librarians were unable to be present, but submitted their requests via email or drop box. Discussion was held on the three local city library budget requests for 2022-2023 fiscal years. They had received \$25,500 or \$8,500 per library for the 21/22 fiscal year and they submitted a request for a \$1,500 increase for the 22/23 fiscal year. The Board will take this into consideration when working on the county budget.

Discussion was held on political subdivisions subject to county, municipal, or municipal county levy authority and they shall submit a preliminary request for levy allocation to the County Board, whom is responsible for levying such taxes, on or before August 1<sup>st</sup> (SS 77-3443). The County Board will then determine final allocation of levy authority for its subdivision on or before September 1<sup>st</sup>. Dan Fuerhoff on behalf of Hadar Fire was present to discuss levy allocation for their fire district. It was recommended by the Board a 3% increase to the fire districts and ag society asking for levy allocation.

The following County Officials and Dept. Heads were present to meet with the Board on budget expectations and allowed increases for the 2022/2023 Fiscal Year: Shannon Wragge, Jean Lubke, Kristina Sehi, Susan Norris, Christine Bahr, Linda Mattson, Rick Eberhardt and Ted Lohrberg. The County Board would like everyone to keep their budget to around a 4% increase for the 22/23 fiscal year.

Discussion was held on the Interlocal Agreement between Pierce County and Plainview Police for dispatching. No decision was made.

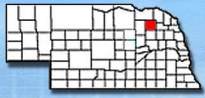
Ben Fuller and Robert Latimer with Summit Carbon Project updated the Board on the carbon pipeline project coming thru Pierce County.

Discussion was held on the remodeling of the County Treasurer's office and enlarging the window to handle more customers.

Motion by Wragge, seconded by Schmit, to authorize the Clerk to advertise for bids for the remodel of the County Treasurer's office. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

EMS Bobbi Risor was present and visited with the Board on the annual report of Region 11 and on the updating of the LEPC Annex F Plan.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to authorize the Board Chairman to sign the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Manual for the 2022 update of Annex F Plan for NEMA. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.



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Motion by Wragge, seconded by Kuether, to authorize Chairman to sign the Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed and Agreements for the Osmond North JEO Project No. 211556 with John Prouty Construction Inc, O'Neill, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on LB644, directing of the joint budget hearings for the counties, cities, villages, schools and colleges for the 22/23 fiscal year budgets.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to designate MIPS as the county vendor for the printing of the LB644 postcards for the joint budget hearings. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuether, seconded by Schmit, to approve County Burial 2022-1. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

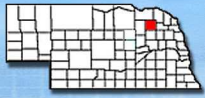
Discussion was held on selling of unused road/bridge equipment.

Motion by Kuether, seconded by Wragge, to authorize and appoint Brad Albers, Sign & Weed Supt. to sell unused road/bridge equipment with Big Iron and/or Purple Wave. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Rick Eberhardt, Co Sheriff; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for May 2022; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for May 2022 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total \$3,180,313.27 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:** American Legion Emblem Sales-markers-\$1,057.15; Black Hills Energy-service-\$41.52; BCBS of NE-premiums-\$28,881.18; Classic Carpet Care-service-\$263.66; Ann Fenton-reimb. supplies-\$11.65; First Concord Benefits Group LLC-deductibles-\$1,244.95; Floor Maint. & Paper-supplies-\$674.66; FP Finance Program-postage meter rent-\$154.09; Graham Tire-tires-\$168.00; Gworks-software support-\$260.00; J's Place-prisoner meals-\$1,835.00; Johnson's Inc-repairs-\$506.14; Amanda Kowalewski-mileage-\$36.72; LexisNexis-law library-\$140.00; Ted Lohrberg-reimb. supplies-\$250.43; Jean Lubke-reimb. supplies-\$990.35; Madison County District Court-court costs-\$50.00; Madison County Sheriff-paper service-\$28.46; Magdanz Inc-supplies-\$82.49; Menards-supplies-\$185.38; Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc-scanner rent-\$92.00; Midwest Bank-co share-\$4,053.41; Amy K Miller/Miller Law-appointed counsel-\$453.10; MIPS-hardware/software & website support-\$2,635.54; NE NE News Company-ads-\$2,733.40; NIRMA-22/23 FY liability insurance premium-\$120,724.00; One Office Solution-office supplies-\$1,472.49; Pierce County Court-court costs-\$153.00; Pierce County Leader-ads-\$2,462.91; Pierce County Petty Cash Fund-postage, reimb. supplies, mileage-\$206.14; Pierce County District Court-court costs-\$72.00; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-services-\$1,735.89; Precision IT-software support-\$67.50; Vickie Prince-mileage-\$161.46; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$3,785.88; Sanne Repair LLC-supplies-\$110.63; Stonacek Memorial Chapel-County Burial #2022-2 and transportation-\$2,955.00; Terminex-service-\$91.00; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-\$132.35; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-\$2,241.35; US Postal Service-metered mail-\$2,680.00; Verizon-service-\$425.48; Payroll-\$57,804.45.

**COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND:** AKRS Equipment-repairs-\$56.34; Appera-service-\$92.60; B's Enterprises Inc-signs & tubes-\$22,792.82; BC/BS of NE-premiums-\$28,881.18; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-\$45,745.73; Bauer Built-repair parts-\$5,212.56; Boyer Ridge Mfg. Inc-belly dump gravel trailer-\$55,650.00; Chad's Tire Service-repairs-\$2,842.54; Classic Carpet Care-service-\$208.33; Cornhusker Intl Trucks-repairs-\$181.68; Dd Steel-repair parts-\$17,100.00; Farmers Pride-diesel-\$10,429.08; Filter Care-repairs-\$150.20; Kaup Forage & Turf-seed-\$1,132.00; Key Sanitation-service-\$85.50; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-\$260.13; Magdanz Inc-supplies-\$172.84; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc-supplies-\$79.84; Matteo Sand & Gravel Co Inc-gravel-\$508.65; Meisinger Oil Co-oil-\$5,898.73; Menards-supplies-\$149.90; Midwest Bank-co share-\$2,344.09; Mitch's Food Center-supplies-\$23.37; NE NE Tire & Trailer Sales LLC-repairs-\$14.99; NE Machinery Co-repairs and 2022 motor grader-\$268,172.70; North Central PPD-service-\$168.48; Osmond Farm Supply-diesel-\$3,699.00; Paul's Welding-repairs-\$36.95; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-\$175.70; Plainview Telephone Co-service-\$95.78; Plainview City-utilities-\$85.85; Polt Brothers Equipment-mower-\$9,800.00; Powerplan-repair



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parts-\$2,701.28; R & D Welding-repairs-\$16.88; Randolph Farm Supply-gas-\$395.29; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$2,060.74; Sapp Bros Norfolk-supplies-\$544.10; Jim Schmit-reimb. supplies-\$870.94; Steinkraus Service-gas-\$596.35; Tom's Service-gas & repairs-\$2,869.68; Wattier True Value-supplies-\$109.15; West-Hodson Lumber Co Inc-supplies-\$609.38; Payroll-\$32,153.68.

**PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND:** BC/BS of NE-premiums-\$1,056.22; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-\$74.86; NE Economic Developers Association-dues-\$150.00; NE NE News-ads-\$7.53; News Channel Nebraska-advertising-\$1,325.00; Susan Norris-reimbursed supplies & lodging-\$780.24; Pierce County Leader-ads-\$7.20; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$117.66; Payroll-\$1,743.08.

**911 FUND:** AT & T-service-\$44.91; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-\$69.05; Plainview Telephone Co-service-\$19.63.

**E911 WIRELESS FUND:** Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-\$395.23; Plainview Telephone Co-service-\$131.37.

**REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND:** MIPS-software support-\$336.12.

**COURTHOUSE JAIL & SINKING FUND:** Johnson's Inc-repairs and replacement of units-\$52,900.00; Kinz Spray Foam Insulation LLC-roof repairs-\$2,541.25.

There being no further business, Chairman Wragge adjourned the meeting at 10:47 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, June 27, 2022 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

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