

# Pierce County Board Minutes



## COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

August 8, 2022

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, August 8, 2022, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Jim Schmit and Terry J. Wragge. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Co. Sheriff Rick Eberhardt, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Deputy Co. Clerk Susan Peters, Josh Kounovsky, Mattson Johnson, Steve Dolesh, Rich Lutz, Mark Hall, Ross Wortman, Travis Amen, Lowell Schroeder 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 Kuether, seconded by Schmit, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of July 25, 2022 were approved as printed.

Co. Sheriff Rick Eberhardt was present and discussion was held on the Distress Warrant Report to be submitted by County Sheriff to County Treasurer by August 1. Approval was tabled as no report was submitted to Co. Treasurer until August 8, 2022.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to approve SDL for Pierce American Legion for an event at Pierce Pavilion on Saturday, Sept. 10, 2022 from 4:00 pm to 1:00 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to approve SDL for Mrs. Bubbas, Randolph, for an event at Pierce Pavilion on Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022 from 4:30 pm to 1:00 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Change Order #1 for Osmond North JEO Project 211556, increase of \$7,660.00 for erosion control, with new project total of \$228,142.30. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

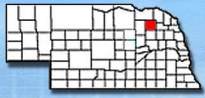
Motion by Kuether, seconded by Schmit, to approve the application for Kyle Tarr for the under crossing of a county road with a 1.5" electric line, approximately 1,952' east of 536 Ave and undercrossing 860 Rd between Sections 21/28, Township 27 North, Range 4 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuether, seconded by Schmit, to approve the application for Eastern Telephone for the under crossing of a county road with a 1.25" fiber optic lines in S ½ of Blaine Township. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Wragge, seconded by Kuether, to approve the application for Pierce Telephone Co. for the under crossing of a county road with a 1.25" fiber optic lines in Clover Valley, Logan, Foster & Pierce Townships. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Schmit and Wragge. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Accountant Mike Pommer was present and discussion was held on the 22/23 fiscal year budget and on the levy allocations for the subdivisions. The levy allocation for the subdivisions will be approved on Monday, August 22, 2022 at the 9:10 a.m. commissioner meeting because no valuations from the Assessors have been received yet. The budget hearing to approve and adopt the budget for the 22/23 fiscal year will be on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

Pierce Co. Sign Supt. Brad Albers, Madison Co. Sign Supt. Travis Amen, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter and individuals from the Pierce Fire Departments were present to discuss with the County Board the purchasing and placing of 911 signs at the driveways of all Pierce County residents as many other counties have done. It would greatly benefit the mail service and fire/rescue departments to find residents. The County Fire Depts are willing to assist with the placing of these 911 signs. ARPA (American Rescue Plan) Funds will be used to purchase these signs as was unanously agreed by the County Board.



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Mark Hall was present to discuss with the county board his 2022 Valuation Protest that was denied in July. The county board could not change their decision and directed him to file with the State TERC Board.

Discussion held on the transfers as per the 22/23 FY budget to be approve in September.

Motion by Wragge, seconded by Kuether, to approve Resolution #2022-19 as follows:

## RESOLUTION #2022-19

WHEREAS, due to Sections 13-518 to 13-522 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the 2022-2023 Budget includes a transfer of funds from General to Grants, and

WHEREAS, the 2022-2023 County Budget was balanced by a fund transfer of \$50,000.00 from the General Fund (0100) to the Grant Fund (2605),

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:

General Fund (0100)	\$50,000.00	to
Grant Fund (2605)	<u>\$50,000.00</u>	
Total	\$50,000.00	

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

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022

### PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Terry J. Wragge, Chairman

/s/ Tom Kuether, District #1 Commissioner

/s/ Jim Schmit, District #2 Commissioner

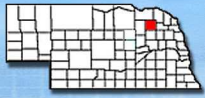
ATTEST: /s/ Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk

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 Schmit, seconded by Kuether, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Rick Eberhardt, Co Sheriff, for June 2022; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for July 2022; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for July 2022 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total \$671,838.29 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:** Antelope County Sheriff-boarding costs-\$1,570.00; Black Hills Energy-utilities-\$44.01; Vets Service Officers Assn-registration-\$60.00; Eakes Office Solutions-supplies-\$1,792.86; Elite Office Products-maint. agreements-\$72.31; First Concord-adm costs & plan fees-\$227.50; Kayla Hoffmann-reimb. zoom monthly subscription-\$15.96; J & S Plumbing LLC-repairs-\$122.61; J's Place-prisoner meals-\$3,555.00; Amanda Kowalewski- mileage-\$79.63; Kuether Ranch-repairs-\$250.00; Madison County Treasurer-reimb. for 21/22 FY for District 7 Probation expenses-\$13,281.50; Magdanz Inc-supplies-\$1,724.28; Midwest Bank-co share-\$4,197.70; MIPS Inc-computer support-\$2,718.67; NE NE News-ads-\$557.96; Pierce Auto Repair LLC-repairs-\$130.50; Pierce Co Court-court costs-\$249.00; Pierce Dental Office-prisoner medical-\$137.00; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner medical-\$178.81; Pierce Telephone Co-service-\$2,368.03; Precision IT-computer support-\$147.00; Prime Stop-gas-\$337.28; Quill-office supplies-\$670.45; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$3,744.30; State of NE Central Finance-computer network service-\$448.00; Terminex-service-\$91.00; Tiger Town-prisoner food-\$88.80; Tom's Service-gas-\$394.69; Payroll-\$59,001.33.

**COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND:** Appeara-uniforms-\$94.72; AKRS-repair parts-\$43.50; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-\$18,286.17; Bauer Built-repairs-\$3,338.80; Bazile Aggregate Co LLC-gravel-\$4,038.78; Bomgaars-supplies-\$385.05; Dd Steel LLC-repairs-\$105.55; Filtercare of NE LLC-repairs-\$24.95; GI Trailer Inc-repair parts-\$319.19; J & J Materials-crushed concrete-\$733.04; JEO Consulting-engineering-\$10,671.25; Jerry's Hilltop-gas-\$219.50; K. Porter Construction Inc-freight & rock-\$57,467.75; Kelly Supply Co-supplies-\$29.87; Magdanz-supplies-\$63.39; Matheson Tri-Gas-supplies-\$79.84; Matteo sand & gravel-\$396.30; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-\$5,573.06; Midwest Bank-co share-\$2,349.03; NE Power-service-\$258.00; Paul's



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Welding-supplies-\$80.88; Pierce Telephone-service-\$178.18; Plainview Telephone-service-\$97.30; City of Plainview-utilities-\$85.70; Prince Auto Repair Inc-repairs-\$281.66; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$2,044.12; R & D Welding-repairs-\$458.32; Sapp Bros Inc, Norfolk-supplies-\$325.80; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-\$1,085.62; Wattier True Value-repair parts-\$203.45; West-Hodson Lumber & Concrete-crushed concrete-\$4,102.10; Payroll-\$32,046.07.

**PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND:** Midwest Bank, NA-co share-\$15.59; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$117.66; Payroll-\$1,743.08.

**E911 FUND:** AT & T-service-\$92.93; CenturyLink-service-\$64.33; Pierce Telephone-service-\$146.29; Racom-repairs-\$843.75.

**WIRELESS FUND:** CenturyLink-service-\$150.11; Pierce Telephone-service-\$318.00.

**REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND:** MIPS-computer support-\$344.12.

**COVID AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND:** Jenkins Electric-fire alarm installation-\$30,127.20; Protex Central Inc-fire alarm installation-\$3,370.13.

**GRANT FUND:** NE NE News Company-ads for scrap tire collection-\$66.12.

Lowell Schroeder with Five Rule was present to update the courthouse facilities information for the Comprehensive Plan.

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

There being no further business, Chairman Wragge adjourned the meeting at 10:50 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, August 22, 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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