

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

March 6, 2023

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, March 6, 2023, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald, EMS Bobbi Risor, Tim Wragge, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Deputy Sheriff Dan Hallock, Co. Sheriff Rick Eberhardt, Clerk of District Court Vickie Prince, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Co. Treasurer Chris Bahr, Ken Beaudette, Jarod Dendinger 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 Kuether called the meeting to order at 9:12 A.M. and presided. Chairman Kuether 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 Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of February 21, 2023 were approved as printed.

Hwy Supt Brian McDonald was present and discussion was held on problem bridges that need work.

Discussion was held on the two bid quotes received for the installation of panic distress buttons for the courthouse as the present ones do not work and were tied in with the old fire alarm system. The Courthouse Safety Committee was present to present the two bids: Jenkins Electric at a cost of \$18,485.71 for 24 hard wired buttons and Applied Connective at a cost of \$8,166.00 for the installation and hardware (35 thumb drive buttons) with an included cost of \$180.00 per month for managed services. Jarod Dendinger with Applied Connective, Albion, NE, was present to discuss the quote submitted to the Safety Committee for panic distress buttons for the courthouse. Applied Connective is the courthouse IT.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the bid quote with Applied Connective to install at a cost of \$8,166.00 for the installation and hardware for 35 panic distress thumb drive buttons with an included cost of \$180.00 per month for managed services. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Region 11 EMS Bobbi Risor and Norfolk Fire Chief Tim Wragge were present to explain to the County Board the new "Direct Report" changes and to implement the changes into the current Region 11 Emergency Management Interlocal Agreement.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve and authorize the Board Chairman, County Clerk and Attorney to sign the updated Region 11 Interlocal Agreement with the "Direct Report" change. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the renewal of the Salamander Program, 5 tracking apps that helps with tracking emergency workers if a disaster would happen. Pierce County will have 2 apps, Pierce City will have 2 apps and Osmond City will have 1 app for a total cost of \$750.00 split between the 3 entities, with the entities reimbursing Pierce County for their portion.

Motion by Kuether, seconded by Albers, to approve and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the NE-Pierce County EM Salamander Renewal Agreement for April 1, 2023-March 31, 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion held on the Weinrich Lot Split in pt NE ¼ NE ¼ 27-25-1.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Weinrich Lot Split in pt of the NE ¼ NE ¼ Section 27, Township 25 North, Range 1 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on County Burial Application #2023-1. No decision was made and was tabled for lack of application information.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the under crossing of a county road for Randy Gansebom, with a 2.5" electric line, approximately 1,320' north of 862 Rd, between Sections 10/11, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Application for 41 Undercrossing/ROWs for Turnkey Logistics on behalf of SCS Carbon Transit LLC for the Summit Carbon Solutions Pipeline Project in Pierce County. A Road Use Agreement has been presented to Hwy Supt Brian McDonald for review. No decisions were made.

Discussion was held on road shop cameras that the Board will be moving forward with and getting bid quotes from Plainview Telephone Co.

Discussion was held on mowing of roadways. Clerk Wragge had been directed to place an ad in the newspapers asking for public input on whether the county should continue to mow the roads twice a year or put back on the landowner/renters and if not done then county does it at a cost per mile with bill placed in with tax statements. The County Board heard both ways from the public. No decision was made.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Rick Eberhardt, Co. Sheriff, for January 2023; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for February 2023; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for February 2023 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total \$1,567,511.95 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Mark Albin-court appointed costs-\$441.75; Black Hills Energy-service-\$51.61; Bob Barker Co Inc-supplies-\$121.91; Jack's Uniforms-supplies-\$210.79; Magdanz Inc-supplies-\$252.26; Midwest Bank-co share-\$4,307.58; MIPS-IT services-\$2,698.99; NACO-registrations-\$30.00; NE NE News Co-ads-\$581.07; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-\$15.99; Pierce County Court-court costs-\$367.50; Pierce Dental Office-prisoner medical-\$303.00; Pierce County District Court-court costs-\$36.00; Pierce Telephone-service-\$1,867.19; Pierce City-utilities-\$4,378.86; Prime Stop-gas-\$82.85; Vickie Prince-reimb. travel expenses-\$668.69; Quill-supplies-\$277.39; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$4,033.04; State of NE-network server-\$448.00; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-\$605.80; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-\$523.54; Payroll-\$61,162.97.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: A & R Construction Co-crushed concrete-\$2,710.20; Ag & Industrial Equipment-repair parts-\$155.00; Bomgaars-supplies-\$130.15; Dd Steel-repairs-\$12.00; JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineering-\$36,242.50; Lawson Products-supplies-\$1,228.27; Magdanz-supplies-\$29.99; Martin Marietta Materials-rock-\$1,077.48; Matheson-supplies-\$78.31; Meisinger Oil Co-oil-\$5,127.20; Menards-supplies-\$26.93; Midwest Bank-co share-\$2,335.19; NE Weed Control Assn-registration-\$150.00; Northeast Power-utilities-\$265.00; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-\$311.22; Pierce Telephone-service-\$177.40; Pierce City-utilities-\$217.24; City of Plainview-utilities-\$88.35; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$1,998.07; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-\$839.96; Warren Garage Door Inc-repairs-\$403.75; Payroll-\$31,856.78.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Midwest Bank, NA-co share-\$72.53; NE NE News Co-ads-\$37.54; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$109.07; Payroll-\$1,615.83.

E911 FUND: AT & T-service-\$49.03; CenturyLink-service-\$64.05; Pierce Telephone-service-\$139.29.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: CenturyLink-service-\$149.45; Pierce Telephone-service-\$325.00.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-IT service-\$344.12.

INHERITANCE FUND: Estate of Eugene Milander-refund CS PR 21-38-\$54.98.

COURTHOUSE & JAIL SINKING FUND: Magdanz Inc-supplies-\$122.41.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:20 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, March 20, 2023 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/ Tom Kuether
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
