

## COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

July 10, 2023

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, July 10, 2023, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Brad Albers and Carl Martinson; Tom Kuether was absent. Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Clerk of District Court Vickie Prince, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Nate Murray, Nick Anderson, Sara Twibell, Heidi Kuklis, Mindy Spencer, Will Fogle, Jean Retzlaff, Ben Fuller, Brent Niese, Randy Wolken and News Reporter Randee Falter.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to appoint Brad Albers as Chairman Pro Tem. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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 Pro Tem Albers called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M. and presided. Chairman Pro Tem Albers 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: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of June 26, 2023 were approved as printed.

Nate Murray and Nick Anderson with NextLink were present to offer broadband to the rural areas of Pierce County.

Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr was present and discussion held on the approval of the County Treasurer's Semi-Annual Statement and Uncollected Taxes Report.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Pierce County Treasurer's Semi-Annual Statement and Uncollected Tax Statement as presented by the County Treasurer. Whereas the original is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request for a special designated liquor license for the Pierce County Ag Society for the 2023 Pierce County Fair/beer garden and the dates of the events are July 26 thru July 30, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for June 2023; approve Treasurer's receipts for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for June 2023 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total \$2,611,340.55 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: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

**GENERAL FUND:** Applied Connective Technologies-IT service-\$3,367.80; Joe Aschoff-mtg mileage-\$76.81, Black Hills Energy-utilities-\$44.66; Carney Law-court appointed attorney-\$1,536.35; Classic Rentals-service-\$262.03; Eakes-contract service-\$35.60; Guy Ellsworth-mtg mileage-\$35.16; Ann Fenton-reimbursed supplies-\$24.97; Dwaine Hoffman-mtg mileage-\$63.85; Gerry Krueger-mtg mileage-\$14.72; LexisNexis-law library-\$168.00; Madison Natl Life-insurance premiums-\$54.20; Magdanz-supplies-\$1,056.49; Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc-scanner rent-\$92.00; MidAmerica Admin & retirement Solutions-HRA contribution for 1<sup>st</sup> qtr-\$14,500.00; Midwest Bank-co share-\$4,643.17; MIPS-hardware/software & website support-\$2,762.44; Tom Nathan-mtg mileage-\$73.66; NE NE News Company-ads-\$434.48; Pierce Co. Court-court costs-\$168.00; Pierce Co petty cash-reimbursement-\$97.79; Pierce District Court-court costs-\$36.00; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-services-\$1,926.77; Quill-office supplies-\$139.99; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$4,090.20; Larry Schaefer- mtg mileage- \$40.90; Security Shredding-service-\$122.50; Stonacek Funeral Chapel-autopsy expense-\$605.00; Byron Wragge-mtg mileage-\$18.37; Shannon Wragge-reimbursed mileage-\$222.70; Ryan Zimmerman-mtg mileage-\$38.30; Payroll-\$62,436.18.

**COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND:** Appera-service-\$98.12; Chad's Tire Service-parts/labor-\$135.00; Classic Rentals-service-\$221.34; DD Steel-repairs-\$36.11; Elkhorn Rural Public Power-county bridge project-\$4,872.72; Farmers Pride-diesel-\$4,283.29; Filtercare of NE-service-\$137.25; JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineering-\$25,535.00; Kayton International-repair parts-\$74.75; Kimball Midwest-supplies-\$442.64; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-\$97.99; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-\$158.10; Magdanz-supplies-\$381.18; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc-fuel-\$83.05; Meisinger Oil Co-fuel-\$1,684.31; Menards-supplies-\$95.94; Midwest Bank-co share-\$2,333.57; Mitch's Food Center-supplies-\$18.38; North Central PPD-service-\$171.32; Osmond Farm Supply-diesel-\$2,688.84; Paul's Welding-service-\$22.00; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-\$179.80; Plainview Auto Supply Inc-repair parts-\$58.32; Plainview Telephone Co-service-\$96.13; Plainview City-utilities-\$84.95; Randolph Farm Supply-gas-\$5,986.09; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$2,031.66; Safety-Kleen Protective Serv.-supplies-\$289.38; Sapp Bros-supplies-\$662.85; Wattier True Value-supplies-\$499.92; West Hodson Lumber & Concrete Co.- crushed concrete-\$1,681.68; Payroll-\$31,577.25.

**REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND:** MIPS-tech support-\$349.12.

**VETERAN'S AID FUND:** Pierce County Vet Service Officer-replenish bank acct-\$1,000.00; Pierce County petty cash-reimbursement-\$206.37.

**PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND:** MidAmerica admin & retirement solutions-HRA contribution 1<sup>st</sup> qtr-\$700.00; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-\$112.13; NE Nebraska News Company-publishing-\$7.07; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$109.07; Payroll-\$1,615.83

**E911 WIRELESS FUND:** Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-\$325.00.

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**COURTHOUSE & JAIL SINKING FUND:** Magdanz-remodel supplies-\$49.37.

Tabled was the approval of the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Pierce-Neligh Rd 543-544 Ave Unbonded Concrete Overlay-JEO Project #211073 with A & R Construction Co.

Ben Fuller and Brent Niese with Summit Carbon Solutions were present to give the Board an update of the carbon pipeline coming into Pierce County.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to amend and approve the agenda to add North Central District Dept.- Approve 5 Year Monetary Commitment to Miles of Smiles Program for \$3,220 per year. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Sara Twibell, Heidi Kuklis and Mindy Spencer with the NC Health District Dept. was present to ask the Board for 5 Year monetary support for the Miles for Smiles Program whereas the health dept. goes into schools in the county to offer fluoride treatments and dental education to students age Pre K-8<sup>th</sup> grade.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve a 5 Year Monetary Commitment to Miles of Smiles Program for \$3,220 per year to the NC Health District Dept. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter was present and discussion was held on the Porter Construction Land Fill road complaints and the conditional use permit conditions placed on the landfill.

There being no further business, Chairman Pro Tem Albers adjourned the meeting at 10:05 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, July 24, 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/ Brad Albers  
Chairman Pro Tem, 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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