COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
January 8, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, January 8, 2024 at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Tim Braithwait 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 9:10 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to amend the agenda to add Authorize & Approve Chairman to sign Pay Application #2 for $324,463.61 for the McLean South-JEO Project 211865 with Theisen Construction Inc. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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 December 26, 2023 were approved as printed.

Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr was present and discussion held on the semi-annual statement.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Pierce County Treasurer's Semi-Annual Statement as presented by the County Treasurer for July 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023. Whereas the original is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Annual Weed Report for 2023. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the proposal letter with Cruise & Associates to complete the 22/23 fiscal year audit. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the NE Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition request to have Pierce County join. No money was needed to join but if there would need to be a cleanup then the county would be liable. If Pierce County does not join the haulers cannot come into Pierce County for pickup of waste.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Interlocal Solid Waste Management Agreement with Northeast Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition and Resolution #2024-1 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2024 - 1

WHEREAS, the County of Pierce, Nebraska has solid waste jurisdiction pursuant to the terms of the Integrated Solid Waste Management Act; and

WHEREAS, the County of Pierce, Nebraska has made an application for membership into the Northeast Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Northeast Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition did on January 8, 2024 approve the application of the County of Pierce, Nebraska for membership in the Northeast Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals, the County Board of Commissioners of the County of Pierce, Nebraska hereby adopts the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Commissioners of the County of Pierce, Nebraska that:

(1) The proposed Third Amended Interlocal Solid Waste Management Agreement is approved;

(2) That the Chairperson of the County of Pierce is authorized to sign the Third Amended Interlocal Solid Waste Management Agreement on behalf of the County of Pierce, Nebraska.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 8th day of January, 2024

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman

/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to Authorize & Approve Chairman to sign Pay Application #2 for $324,463.61 for the McLean South-JEO Project 211865 with Theisen Construction Inc. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Deputy County Clerk Susan Peters, Clerk of District Court Vickie Prince, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, Sheriff's Office Manager Alicia Stortz were present and discussion was held on the Time and Attendance Software Program with MIPS. A call was placed to Nich Smith at MIPS to answer questions the county had on the software program. No decision was made.

Discussion was held on changing the roadworkers scheduled hours and the changing of pay scale for the road workers. Scheduled hours did not change but the pay scale was changed per years worked for the county.

The Interlocal Agreement for the RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability & Equity) Grant the City of Norfolk, Madison County and Pierce County will be pursuing was tabled.

Discussion was held on the appointed boards for 2024 for the Pierce County Board Members.

This being the organizational meeting of the County Board, Chairman Tom Kuether called for nominations or a motion for Chairman for 2024 for County Board of Commissioners' and County Board of Equalization.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to nominate Tom Kuether, as Chairman of the Pierce County Board of Commissioners for 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Chairman Kuether presided.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Kuether, to nominate Brad Albers as Chairman of the Pierce County Board of Equalization for 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Kuether, to appoint Kuether with Albers as alternate to the NE Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition Board for 2024 that Pierce County joined in January 2024 by an interlocal agreement. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to appoint and approve the following Boards: Martinson with Kuether as alternate to the Northeast Nebraska Area Agency of Aging Board; to appoint Albers with Martinson as alternate to Region IV Mental Health Board; to appoint Kuether with Albers as alternate to North Star; to appoint Martinson with Albers as alternate to Goldenrod Joint Housing Authority; to appoint Martinson with Albers as alternate to Juvenile Detention Center Board; to appoint Martinson with Kuether as alternate to County Used Oil Contact person; to appoint Kuether with Albers as alternate to Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District; to appoint Kuether with Martinson as alternate to North Central Public Health Board; to appoint Kuether with Albers as alternate to the Pierce County Economic Development Board; to appoint Albers with Martinson as alternate to the Region 11 Emergency Management Board; to appoint Albers with Martinson as alternate to the Elkhorn Valley LEPC Board; to appoint Albers with Kuether as alternate to the Pierce County E911 Advisory Board; and to appoint Kuether with Albers as alternate to the RC & D Board, all for 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the Osmond Republican, Plainview News and Pierce County Leader as the legal newspapers for Pierce County for 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the County Web Page www.co.pierce.ne.us as an additional method of providing notice for Pierce County for 2024 Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to appoint LaVern Schroeder as the County Surveyor for Pierce County for 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to appoint Brian McDonald, License No. S1132 Class A, as the County Highway Superintendent for Pierce County for 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the reappointment of Dr. Lane Handke as County Physician and County Coroner Physician for Pierce County for 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the appointments and pledged collateral of Midwest Bank, N.A., Pierce, Security Bank, Osmond, Midwest Bank, N.A., Plainview, Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust (NPAIT), Nebraska CLASS (Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System) and Elkhorn Valley Bank and Trust, Pierce as Pierce County Bank Depositories for county funds for 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the machine hire rates for 2024 with the following stipulations: (1) that adjustments in rates may be made at a later date, depending on the cost of fuel. (2) that Pierce County set these rates and does machine work only on request for a small job and when it would be difficult and impractical for a private contractor to haul his machinery to a location for such a small job and the County is already in that location.

$200 per hour for Backhoe/Excavator with man;
$150 per hour for Motor Grader with man;
$150 per hour for Loader with man;
$200 per hour for Scraper with man;
$125 per hour for 10-yard Dump Truck with man

Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Kuether, 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: Applied Connective Technologies-IT-$3,707.21; Black Hills Energy-utilities-$90.17; Comfort Inn, Kearney-lodging-$2,159.10; Des Moines Stamp Mfg Co-office supplies-$235.50; Eakes Office Solutions-supplies-$38.66; Elite Office Products-office supplies-$57.81; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment-supplies-$522.64; LexisNexis-law software-$177.00; Madison County Sheriff-prisoner medical-$21.23; Madison National Life-premiums-$86.72; Magdanz-supplies-$105.95; Midamerica Adm. & Retire Solutions-3rd quarter reimbursement costs-$16,200.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,833.70; MIPS-IT, website, microfilming-$3,166.19; NE NE News-ads-$248.85; Pierce County Court-court costs-$135.00; Pierce Telephone-service-$1,767.03; Police Officers Assn of NE-dues-$67.00; Prime Stop-gas-$171.30; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,195.50; State of NE Central Finance-computer service-$742.83; Terminex-service-$96.16; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-$153.55; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$1,247.59; US Postal Service-postage-$405.65; Payroll-$65,028.46.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: B's Enterprises-blades-$1,980.00; Chad's Tire Service-repairs-$1,968.91; Colonial Research Chem Corp-supplies-$200.83; Farmers Pride-diesel-$3,815.83; Filtercare of NE-services-$161.30; JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineering-$25,005.00; Kayton Intl-repairs-$212.00; Kimball Midwest-repair parts-$1,025.42; Magdanz-supplies-$71.16; Matheson Tri-Gas-supplies-$92.77; Meisinger Oil Co-oil-$2,450.24; Menards-supplies-$171.19; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,507.17; Northeast Glass-repairs-$200.00; NE Power-repairs-$245.00; Osmond Farm Supply Center Inc-diesel-$3,146.65; Paul's Welding-repairs-$396.19; Pierce Telephone-service-$177.21; Plainview Telephone-service-$97.14; City of Plainview-utilities-$85.66; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,105.49; Seals & Service Inc-repair parts-$2,200.00; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$836.89; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$18.75; West Hodson Lumber Co-supplies-$26.45; Payroll-$34,267.03.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Hadar Village-zoning update assistance-$2,000.00; Member MarketPlace Inc-marketplace website-$2,200.00; Midamerica Adm. & Retire Solutions-3rd quarter reimbursement costs-$700.00; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$57.20; NE NE News Co-ad-$7.00; Susan Norris-reimbursed travel & registration costs-$2,211.40; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$60.59; Payroll-$897.67.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-IT service-$349.12.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: Pierce Telephone-service-$341.15.

HIGHWY BOND FUND: Theisen Construction Inc-Pay App 2 for McLean South Project-$324,463.61.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:50 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024 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
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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
January 22, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, January 22, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Clerk of District Court Vickie Prince, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Michelle Reikofski, Michelle Cederburg 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 9:10 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 January 8, 2024 were approved as printed.

Extension Agent Ann Fenton was present to update the Co. Board and present the 2023 Annual Report and asked for the approval for the appointment of Mary Kruger (2nd term) and Melinda Stelling (1st Term) to the extension board for a 3-year term.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the 2023 Annual Report as presented from the County Extension Office and to appoint Mary Kruger (2nd term) and Melinda Stelling (1st Term) to the Pierce County Extension Board for a 3-year term, January 2024 to January 2027. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to Authorize & Approve Chairman to sign Pay Application #3 for $19,475.00 for the McLean South-JEO Project 211865 with Theisen Construction Inc. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to Approve Underground Crossing of a County Road for Lumen, Omaha, NE, with a 1" fiber optic line on roads around McLean in Section 19, Township 28 North, Range 3 West (867 Rd, 553 Ave and 2nd Ave going west of McLean), Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to amend the motion made on January 8, 2024 to approve the proposal letter with Cruise & Associates, Norfolk, NE, to complete the 22/23 fiscal year audit as Cruise and Associates is now unable to fulfill the proposal. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the proposal agreement letter with GBE CPA, Seward, NE, to complete the 22/23 ($36,500+$8,000), 23/24 ($28,500+$6,000) & 24/25 ($30,000+$6,000) Fiscal Year regular+single audits with a 3-Year Agreement. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Extension Educator Ann Fenton was present with Extension Educator Julie Schultz to introduce her to the County Board since she is now working out of the Pierce Extension office.

Madison County Hwy Supt. Dick Johnson was present to visit with the County Board on the funding for the RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability & Equity) Grant the City of Norfolk and Madison County will be pursuing and wanting Pierce County Board to form a partnership with them to build up roads and infrastructure in Madison and Pierce County. No decision was made until an interlocal is available and cost share amount is known for each subdivision.

Michelle Cederburg was present to ask the protocol with opening of roads as her road had only been opened one time on Sunday, January 14th, but has since closed back up and they were paying a farmer to open up the mile they live on so they can get out. Board asked her to be patient and the roadworkers were going to go to District 2 area to help open and widen as drifts were so large.

Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was present and discussion was held on the County Bridge Match Reimbursement Program and current road and bridge projects.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Agreement with NE Dept of Roads on the completion of the construction of Project No. STWD-CBMP (6) for the County Bridge Match Program and Resolution #2024-2 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2024 - 2

WHEREAS, Pierce County and State entered into an agreement entitled "County Bridge Matching Program Agreement", for Structure Number C007001905 (the Project), Program Agreement Number BL2215 signed by State on the 11th day of April, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Pierce County has now completed the construction of the Project that was identified in the Program Agreement; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is to formally notify State of the proper completion of the Project according to the terms of the Program Agreement.

Be It Resolved: by the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County:

(1) The Project, for Structure No. C007001905, has been properly constructed by County and its contractor, in accordance with the terms of the Program Agreement.

(2) The bridge was constructed in strict compliance with

(a) the plans and specifications including any State-approved change orders,

(b) all applicable design standards, and

(c) the conditions and requirements of the Program Agreement.

(3) County understands that it is the owner of the bridge, and that it is solely responsible for the design, inspection, construction, reconstruction, repair, and operation of the bridge and roadway and is responsible for meeting any environmental or other post-construction permit or legal commitments applicable to the project

(4) The project costs were fair, reasonable and necessary for the proper construction of the project.

NDOT Project Number: STWD-CBMP(6)
NDOT Control Number: 00974E
NDOT LPA Control Number: 00974E(p)
NDOT Project Name: County Bridge Match Program
PASSED AND APPROVED this 22th day of January, 2024
/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman
/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner
/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to Authorize & Approve Chairman to sign Change Order #1 (add $3,561.50 to adjust quantities), Pay Application #7 for $97,913.87 and the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Osmond South-JEO Project 211903 with Dixon Construction Co. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the 1992 courthouse phone system that needs updated due to age and not able to get replacement parts. The Board approved Clerk Wragge to ask for ideas/quotes from Pierce Telephone Co. to upgrade system.

Quarterly Courthouse and Jail Inspection was tabled.

Discussion was held on the Time and Attendance Software Program with MIPS. No decision was made.

Discussion was held on contracts and costs for the hiring of individuals and businesses to open up roads due to snow. County Board unanimously agreed to pay a maximum of $250 per hour for contract labor.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Co. Sheriff Rick Eberhardt for November and December 2023; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for December 2023; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for December 2023 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $239,610.77 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 attorney-$410.83; Antelope County Sheriff-paper service-$126.69; Donald Blecha-prior service-$45.00; BCBS-health premiums-$52,612.31; Charm-Tex-supplies-$82.18; Classic Rentals-service-$284.28; Cornhusker State Industries-supplies-$1,934.00; Eakes Office Solutions-supplies-$38.66; FP Finance Program-meter rent-$193.96; Harold Hansen-prior service-$23.08; Intoximeters-supplies-$1,430.50; Johnson Repair-repairs-$85.00; Kate M. Jorgensen PC LLO-public defender-$4,583.33; Lifeguard MD Inc-supplies-$388.00; Lorenz Automotive-supplies-$67.91; Verlyn Luebbe-prior service-$46.16; Madison County Sheriff-prisoner boarding-$1,550.00; Gwendolyn Mattson-prior service-$57.70; Microfilm Imaging Systems-scanning services-$46.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,828.07; NACEB NE Assn of Co Extension Boards-registration-$40.00; NE Health & Human Services-housing-$93.00; NE Law Enforcement Training Center-reinstatement fee for continuing education for Sheriff-$100.00; One Office Solutions-office supplies and copies-$4,052.45; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$179.57; Pierce Automotive Supply-supplies-$119.49; Pierce County Leader-ads-$200.76; Quill-office supplies-$294.07; Region IV Inc-quarterly costs-$2,340.25; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,197.96; Robert Seegebarth-prior service-$33.00; Carol Sokol-prior service-$92.32; State of NE Central Finance-computer service-$63.75; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-$580.68; Tom's Service-gas & repairs-$1,078.78; Verizon Wireless-service-$424.84; VISA-jail supplies-$462.14; Western Oil-gas-$314.70; Julie Wingert-prior service-$11.54; Payroll-$64,955.57.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: AKRS-repair parts-$326.95; Appeara-service-$98.12; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$7,451.54; Bloomfield Medical Clinic PC-physical-$150.00; Carlson Home & Auto-propane-$1,221.06; Classic Carpet Care-service-$169.26; Farmer Pride-diesel-$5,218.96; Fastwyre-service-$111.42; Flesner Electric LLC-repairs-$895.16; Lazy T Tire & Implement-repairs-$171.50; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$233.09; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-$924.89; McLean Village-utilities-$75.15; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$1,001.23; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,488.84; Mitch's Food Center-supplies-$10.49; N&B Gas Co-propane-$539.15; NE Machinery Co-repairs & parts-$4,623.08; NC PPD-utilities-$232.68; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$442.45; Randolph Farm Supply-repairs & parts-$5,599.03; RDO Truck Centers-repairs parts-$121.59; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,104.65; Safety Kleen-repair parts-$267.21; Sapp Bros Inc-supplies-$640.95; Steinkraus Service-gas-$410.65; Tom's Service-gas-$1,431.44; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$185.36; Western Oil-gas-$293.66; Payroll-$34,027.92.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: BCBS-health premium-$2,186.80; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$125.87; NE NE News Co-ads-$563.84; Pierce County Leader-ads-$8.50; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$121.19; Payroll-$1,795.37.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: State of NE Central Finance-computer service-$150.00.
911 FUND: GEOComm Inc-licensing fee & support-$4,119.50.
E911 WIRELESS FUND: Norfolk City-service-$298.24; Plainview Telephone Co-service-$151.00.
HIGHWY BOND FUND: Dixon Construction Co-Pay App 7 for Osmond South Project-$97,913.87; Theisen Construction Inc-Pay App 3 for McLean South Project-$19,475.00.

Sheriff Rick Eberhardt and Office Manager Alicia Stortz were present to discuss the Time and Attendance Software Program with MIPS and what it entails. No decision was made.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:46 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, February 5, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
February 5, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald and News Reporter Randee Falter were present.

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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 January 22, 2024 were approved as printed.

Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was present to visit with the County Board about the RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability & Equity) Grant the City of Norfolk and Madison County will be pursuing and wanting Pierce County Board to form a partnership with them to build up roads and infrastructure in Madison and Pierce County.

Discussion was held on the Pierce County Economic Development Interlocal Agreement.

Bobbi Pettit and Lowell Schroeder with Five Rule was present to update the Board on the Comprehensive Plan is close to being completed for approval.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a special designated liquor license for Taylors/The Whitehouse for an event on Saturday, March 16, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize the County Clerk to advertise for certain quantities of culverts, gravel, signs & blades with bids to be opened Monday, April 1, 2024 at 9:11 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on amending the Pierce County Employee Handbook pertaining to compensated time off and on changing the amount charged for machine hire by the County.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the following adjustment for machine hire rates for 2024 with the following stipulations: (1) that adjustments in rates may be made at a later date, depending on the cost of fuel. (2) that Pierce County set these rates and does machine work only on request for a small job and when it would be difficult and impractical for a private contractor to haul his machinery to a location for such a small job and the County is already in that location.

$250 per hour for Backhoe/Excavator with man;
$175 per hour for Motor Grader with man;
$250 per hour for Loader with man;
$200 per hour for Scraper with man;
$125 per hour for 10-yard Dump Truck with man
$150 per mile for mowing of roadway ditches (SS 39-1811)

Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to amend the Pierce County Employee Handbook for compensated time off to the maximum comp hour an employee may keep in their bank is 150 hours for now-law enforcement and the employee must use the accrued comp time within 5 months of earning it. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the time clock program, hiring of a Hwy Supt., Sign Supt. and Weed Supt.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, 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 D. Albin-court appointed costs-$1,539.65; Axon Enterprises Inc-supplies-$348.80; Black Hills Energy-service-$2.15; Brogan Lammli PC LLO-court appointed costs-$1,587.63; Eakes Office-supplies & contract fees-$276.06; Egley, Fullner, Montag, Morland & Easland PC-court appointed costs-$698.40; Elite Office Products- supplies & contract fees-$279.78; Jack's Uniforms-supplies-$102.95; Madison County Sheriff-prisoner medical-$28.62; Madison National Life-life ADD, LTD premiums-$43.36; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,763.45; NACO-registrations-$100.00; NE Assn of Co. Treasurers-2024 dues-$50.00; One Office Solution-supplies-$345.69; Pierce Automotive Supply-supplies-$362.83; Pierce County District Court-court costs-$108.00; Pierce City-utilities-$3,072.31; Plainview News-ads-$219.96; Prime Stop-gas-$110.92; Quill-supplies-$49.46; R&D Welding-repairs-$30.00; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,131.49; Security Shredding-services-$140.00; State of Nebraska-network server fees-$659.71; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-$206.58; Tom's Services-gas-$544.67; Walmart-supplies-$537.00; Winner's Circle-supplies-$30.66; Wood Aitken-attorney costs-$162.50; Payroll-$64,060.23.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: AKRS-repair parts-$708.46; Scott Alexander-refund for premiums-$9.65; B's Enterprises-blades & signs-$4,856.00; Black Hills Energy-service-$695.01; Bomgaars-supplies-$240.41; Farmers Pride-diesel-$6,739.96; JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineer services-$7,492.50; Kimball Midwest-supplies-$94.18; Lawson Products-supplies-$251.59; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$13,338.70; Midwest Bank-co share-$3,139.82; NE Power-utilities-$260.00; Osmond Farm Supply-diesel-$5,837.20; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-$717.47; Pierce City-utilities-$166.83; Plainview Auto Supply-repair parts-$39.81; Prince Auto Repair-repairs-$155.17; R&D Welding-service-$55.44; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,756.73; Sapp Bros Inc-supplies-$256.50; Superior Fenders Inc-repair parts-$2,000.00; Tom's Service-gas-$1,227.18; Wattier True Value Hardware-supplies-$444.44; West Hodson Lumber Co Inc-supplies-$75.33; Payroll-$42,350.01

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$112.13; Plainview News-ads-$9.27; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$109.07; Payroll-$1,615.83.

INHERITANCE FUND: Cole Aschoff-snow removal-$20,750.00; Evan Aschoff-snow removal-$25,175.00; BW Excavating LLC-snow removal-$5,425.30; Binger Farms Inc-snow removal-$6,250.00; D & L Towing & Recovery-services-$1,730.00; Top Gear Farms LLC-snow removal-$3,131.25.

E911 FUND: OPTK Networks-service-$529.40.

COURTHOUSE & JAIL SINKING FUND: Jenkins Electric Inc-repairs & installation of lights-$7,158.37.

The County Board did the courthouse and jail inspection and all three returned.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 11:09 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
February 20, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, PCED Board Members: Bob Wehrer, Jeremy Tarr, Jim Schmit, Chad Anderson, Josh Sirek 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 9:10 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 5, 2024 were approved as printed.

Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr was present to let the Board know that she pledged single collateral securities with Security Bank, Osmond.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a special designated liquor license for Pierce American Legion for an event on Saturday, March 2, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Pierce County Economic Development (PCED) Board was present and presented an updated Interlocal Agreement to the Pierce County Board of Commissioners. PCED has created a nonprofit 501C6 as a local development corporation due to the withdraw of Pierce County from the current interlocal agreement as of June 30, 2024 which at that time PCED will no longer be under the county budget authority as suggested by the state and county auditors. The PCED Board is asking for approval of an updated interlocal agreement which consists of $110,000.00 per year (3% increase each year) in financial support from the County for 3 years beginning July 1, 2024 into said nonprofit, leased office space for $1.00, ownership to all office furniture in the PCED office and all money in the PCED County Fund 2606 at the Pierce County Treasurer. The towns of Pierce, Plainview, Osmond and Hadar would contribute to this said nonprofit $3.00 per resident (3% increase each year). No decision was made.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the 2024 Jail Standards Report; fee reports as submitted by Rick Eberhardt, County Sheriff for December 2023 and January 2024; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for January 2024; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for January 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $1,842,497.72 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.

Discussion was held on the cost of snow removal from the January storms.

GENERAL FUND: Antelope County Sheriff Dept-prisoner boarding-$1,000.00; Applied Connective Technologies-IT services-$3,701.40; Blood Pharmacy-prisoner medical-$20.33; BCBS-health premiums-$50,215.79; Classic Rentals-service-$308.73; Co. Veterans Service Officer Assn.-registration-$60.00; Elite Office Products-supplies & monthly contract-$127.02; Floor Maintenance & Paper Supplies-supplies-$562.14; FP Finance Program-meter rent-$154.09; GBE CPA-22/23 FY audit down payment-$7,500.00; Hadar Community Bldg-2024 poll rent-$200.00; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment-supplies-$28.95; Kate M. Jorgensen PC LLO-public defender-$4,583.33; Knox County Sheriff-paper service-$18.50; Billy Joe Koeppe-mileage-$22.06; LexisNexis-software-$177.00; Lifeguard MD Inc-supplies-$1,152.00; Lynn Peavey Company-supplies-$287.02; Madison County Sheriff-prisoner boarding-$1,550.00; Magdanz Inc-supplies-$56.86; Microfilm Imaging Systems-scanning services-$92.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,743.40; MIPS-hardware/software & website support-$2,876.80; Model Electric Inc-camera installation-$1,207.69; NE NE News Company-ads-$484.02; NE Assn of Extension Boards-2024 dues-$100.00; NE Assn of Co. Clerks-2024 dues-$50.00; NE Health & Human Services-Jan. 2024 boarding-$93.00; One Office Solution-supplies-$54.00; Osmond City Auditorium-2024 poll rent-$200.00; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-

$360.39; Pierce County Ag Society-2024 poll rent-$200.00; Pierce County Leader-ads & subscription-$568.45; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-$1,813.71; Plainview News Inc-ads-$526.64; Plainview Public Library-2024 poll rent-$200.00; Prime Stop-gas-$134.34; Quill-supplies-$428.33; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,108.47; State of NE Central Finance-computer service-$63.75; Melinda Stelling-mileage-$12.68; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$452.18; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$1,012.85; Dan Unseld-mileage-$30.10; Verizon-services-$425.93; VISA-supplies-$34.90; Western Oil LLC-gas-$507.10; Payroll-$63,798.32.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Ag Heaters/Industrial Equipment-supplies-$137.00; AKRS-supplies-$818.51; Alpha Workforce Health-drug testing-$13.00; Altwine Hardware & Home LLC-supplies-$6.38; Appeara-service-$122.65; B's Enterprises Inc-supplies-$650.00; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$16,826.25; Bauer Built-repair parts-$7,125.12; Black Hills Energy-utilities-$1,121.61; Carlson Home & Auto-propane-$2,647.20; Chad's Tire Service-repairs-$353.85; CHI Health-drug testing-$141.00; Classic Carpet Care-service-$290.77; Culligan of Norfolk-supplies-$4.00; Fastwyre Broadband-service-$111.42; Filter Care of NE Inc-repairs-$147.30; Jerry's Hilltop-gas-$220.81; Kimball Midwest-repair parts-$1,051.30; Kuether Ranch-reimbursed supplies-$293.51; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$97.62; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-$1,436.42; Magdanz Inc-supplies-$135.83; Martin Marietta Materials-rock-$1,789.24; McLean-utilities-$78.30; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$3,154.06; Menards-supplies-$59.96; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,707.46; Mitch's Food Center-supplies-$26.05; NE Machinery LLC-repairs-$5,579.58; North Central Public Power-utilities-$323.51; NE Glass-repairs-$529.00; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$370.71; Overhead Door-repairs-$313.75; Paul's Welding-repairs-$1,882.65; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-$177.21; Plainview Auto Supply-repair parts-$44.79; Plainview Telephone Co Inc-service-$97.78; Plainview City-utilities-$76.50; Powerplan-repairs-$1,271.45; Randolph Farm Supply-gas & diesel-$5,799.42; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,375.25; Rollin Coal Trucking LLC-freight-$901.76; Safety-Kleen-service-$656.23; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$793.04; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$59.66; Western Oil-gas-$30.00; Payroll-$36,698.24.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: BCBS-health premium-$2,186.80; Jarecki Sharp & Petersen PC LLO-attorney costs-$1,681.50; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$125.87; NE NE News Co-ads-$7.00; Pierce County Leader-ads-$16.00; Plainview News Inc-ads-$27.81; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$121.19; Payroll-$1,795.37.

E911 FUND: NE Community College-registration-$400.00; Optk Networks-service-$529.40.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-$341.15; Plainview Telephone-service-$151.00.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-IT service-$349.12; State of NE Central Finance-computer service-$150.00.

ARPA/COVID FUND: Motorola Solutions Inc-statewide radio-$282,953.40.

INHERITANCE FUND: Kirk Weyhrich-snow removal-$850.00; Windy View Ag LLC-snow removal-$10,825.00.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:17 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
March 4, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, March 4, 2024, 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, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Bonita Lederer 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 9:10 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 20, 2024 were approved as printed.

Bonita Lederer was present to update the Board on the updating of the 2025 Lower Elkhorn NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Hwy Supt Brian McDonald was present and discussion was held on Bridge #3405, the paving of the S & A Feedlot Rd and paint striping of hard surfaced county roads.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald to proceed to get emergency bid quotes and negotiate costs for Bridge #03405. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald to prepare plans to proceed with a concrete overlay project on 1 mile of Hadar East and 3 miles of the S & A Feedlot Roads. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize Clerk Wragge to advertise for paint striping the major hard surfaced roads as discussed. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on funding of safe routes, the 554A Project and on the RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability & Equity) Grant the City of Norfolk and Madison County will be pursuing and wanting Pierce County Board to form a partnership with them to build up roads and infrastructure in Madison and Pierce County.

Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter was present and discussion held on the LeRay M. Zierke's Lot Split in pt NE ¼ SE ¼ 18-25-2 and on the Brodhagen Lot Split in pt SE ¼ NE ¼ 29-28-4.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the LeRay M. Zierke's Lot Split in pt of the NE ¼ SE ¼ Section 18, Township 25 North, Range 2 West, Pierce County, NE (10.93 acres). Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Brodhagen Lot Split in pt of the SE ¼ NE ¼ Section 29, Township 28 North, Range 4 West, Pierce County, NE (5.15 acres). Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the solar farm and the carbon pipeline.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to Approve Resolution #2024-3 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 - 3

WHEREAS, due to Section 39-1904 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the 2023-2024 County Road Fund budget does not include a property tax dollar request, and

WHEREAS, the 2023-2024 county budget was balanced by a fund transfer of $1,675,000.00 from the General Fund to the County Road Fund,

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:

Road/Bridge Fund	$750,000.00
Total	$750,000.00

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

Dated this 4th day of March, 2024

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman

/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, 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 and Pierce Fire will have 3 apps for a total cost of $750.00 split between the 2 entities, with Pierce Fire reimbursing Pierce County for their portion.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the NE-Pierce County EM Salamander Renewal Agreement for April 1, 2024-March 31, 2025. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, 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: Black Hills Energy-service-$46.35; Elite Office Products-supplies-$38.17; Jack's Uniforms-supplies-$315.00; Johnson's Inc-repairs-$1,748.34; Jones Automotive-installation & parts-$15,718.76; Madison County Sheriff-prisoner meds-$30.54; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,836.41; Miller Law-court appointed attorney costs-$583.45; MIPS-IT services-$3,083.86; NACO-registrations-$20.00; NE Public Health Environmental Lab-blood alcohol testing-$105.00; Norfolk Daily News-subscription-$259.00; City of Norfolk-23/24 FY Region 11 EMS-$20,762.00; One Office Solution-supplies-$1,089.00; Pierce County Treasurer-transfer from General to RB Fund-$750,000.00; Pierce County District Court-court costs-$109.00; Pierce City-utilities-$5,182.69; Pip Marketing-supplies-$181.90; Prime Stop-gas-$179.62; Vickie Prince-reimb. travel expenses-$794.28; Protex Central-inspection-$270.00; Quill-supplies-$1,088.10; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,198.63; State of NE-network server-$889.45; Terminex-service-$96.16; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-$446.32; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$839.13; Woods Aitken LLP-legal fees-$70.00; Payroll-$65,003.19.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Bauer Built-repairs-$326.25; Bomgaars-supplies-$282.41; Colonial Research-chemicals-$1,025.90; Farmers Pride-diesel-$2,283.73; Kimball Midwest-repair parts-$282.16; Lawson Products-supplies-$398.73; Matheson-supplies-$173.30; Meisinger Oil Co-oil-$4,339.33; Menards-supplies-$8.17; Midwest Bank-co share-$3,272.30; NE Glass-repairs-$710.00; Northeast Power-utilities-$277.00; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-$225.50; Pierce City-utilities-$224.33; Plainview Auto Supply-repair parts-$17.98; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,873.69; Riverside Hydraulics Inc-repair parts-$771.95; Steinkraus Service-repairs-$381.60; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$765.05; Wattier True Value-supplies-$39.56; West Hodson Lumber-crushed concrete-$18,023.39; Payroll-$44,082.05.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$112.13; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$109.07; Payroll-$1,615.83.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk-911 cost sharing-$149.12.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-IT service-$349.12.

ARPA/COVID FUND: Motorola Solutions Inc-statewide radio-$549,585.36.

INHERITANCE FUND: A & R Construction Co-snow removal-$63,125.00; Estate of Lois Luebbers-refund on Case P22-22-$17,206.00; Motorola Solutions Inc-statewide radio-$34,011.64; Terry Nathan-snow removal-$50.00.

Discussion was held on the hourly wage for road workers and on the Pierce County Economic Development interlocal.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:55 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, March 18, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
March 18, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, March 18, 2024, 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 Chris Bahr, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, EMS Bobbi Risor, Weed Supt. Steve Gathman and News Reporter Randee Falter were present.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to appoint Carl Martinson as Chairman Pro Tem due to the absence of Chairman Tom Kuether. 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 Martinson called the meeting to order at 9:12 A.M. and presided. Chairman Pro Tem Martinson 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of March 4, 2024 were approved as printed.

Discussion was held by the Board on the Public Tax Sale which is now closed, but private sales continue. Co. Treasurer Chris Bahr notified Board that she sold a total of 15 tax sale certificates amounting to $26,064.29 as of Monday, March 18, 2024.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Public Tax Sale which is now closed, but private sales continue. The Pierce County Treasurer's Office sold a total of 15 tax sale certificates amounting to $26,064.29 as of Monday, March 18, 2024. 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 of a designated liquor license for Pierce American Legion for an event on Saturday, April 13, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion. 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 of 2 designated liquor licenses for Pierce American Legion for events on Friday, April 26, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. and on Saturday, April 27, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-4 as follows and the Clerk's Certificate, a resolution appointing the representative and alternate to the NE NE Solid Waste Coalition Board:

RESOLUTION # 2024-4
PIERCE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, the County of Pierce, Nebraska is a member of the NORTHEAST NEBRASKA SOLID WASTE COALITION; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the NORTHEAST NEBRASKA SOLID WASTE COALITION, the County of Pierce, Nebraska is authorized to name a representative to the Board of Directors of the Northeast Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition; and
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals, the County Board of the County of Pierce, Nebraska hereby adopt the following resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED by the County of Pierce, Nebraska that:

(1) Tom Kuether is hereby appointed as the representative of the County of Pierce, Nebraska to the NORTHEAST NEBRASKA SOLID WASTE COALITION Board of Directors and, in the event of his absence, then Brad Albers shall be declared as the alternate representative to the Board and shall act and vote on behalf of the County of Pierce, Nebraska.

(2) That the above-named representative of the County of Pierce to the Northeast Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition Board of Directors shall serve as the representative until his or her successor is appointed by resolution of the County Board.

Passed and approved this 18th day of March, 2024.
PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner
/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 Commissioner and Chairman Pro Tem
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: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the 2 underground crossings or occupy right-of-way applications.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Underground Crossing Application of a county road for Craig Dohmen for a 1.5" natural gas line, just north of 865 Rd, in pt of the SW ¼ Section 29, Township 28 North, Range 3 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Underground Crossing/ROW Application of a county road for Pierce Telephone Co Inc with a 1.25" fiber optic line on roads in Slough, South Branch and Pierce Townships (see map), Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter was present and discussion held on the Duane Gubbels Lot Split in pt of the N ½ NW ¼ 3-27-2.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Duane Gubbels Lot Split in pt of the N ½ NW ¼ Section 3, Township 27 North, Range 2 West, Pierce County, NE (5.01 acres). Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion held on the placing of stop signs at the intersection of 865 Rd and 538 Ave.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-5 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024-5
PIERCE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, an engineering study was made of the intersection of County Avenue 538 with 865 Road in Pierce County, Nebraska.

WHEREAS, the findings of the engineering study revealed obstacles to visibility resulting in an unsafe condition that can be remedied by stopping eastbound, westbound, and southbound vehicles at the intersection of County Avenue 538 with 865 Road in Pierce County, Nebraska.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, that the eastbound, westbound, and southbound vehicles be stopped at the intersection of County Avenue 538 with 865 Road, Pierce County Nebraska and that the necessary signs be installed.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of March, 2024

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 Commissioner and Chairman Pro Tem

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: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the mowing of roads, not to plant within county right-of-way, no watering of county roads, spraying of weeds and trimming of trees.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize and direct the Clerk to place a public notice into county newspapers and county social media that the county will not be mowing county roads in 2024, not to plant within county right-of-way, no watering of county roads, and owners need to spray weeds and trim trees on their property. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve 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 services-$3,701.40; Bloomfield Pharmacy-prisoner meds-$34.80; BCBS-health premiums-$50,215.79; CVSO-yearly dues-$100.00; Charm-Tex-supplies-$499.60; Classic Rentals-service-$214.84; Elite office Products-maintenance -$20.00; FP Finance Program-meter rent-$154.09; Ann Fenton-reimburse expenses & mileage-$107.62; Gaylen Boettcher Baier PC-court appointed attorney-$982.28; GBE, CPA-professional audit services-$13,500.00; Jeffrey L Hrouda-court appointed attorney-$975.75; Kate M. Jorgensen PC LLO-public defender & legal services-$7,823.63; Brittany Kolterman-reimburse registration -$100.00; LexisNexis-software-$177.00; Madison Co Sheriff-inmate housing-$1,450.00; Magdanz-supplies-$70.95; Microfilm Imaging Systems-scanner rent-$92.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,734.28; NE News Co-ads-$552.37; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$93.84; Pierce Auto Repair-repairs-$715.27; Pierce Co Court-court expenses-$357.50; Pierce County Leader-ads-$486.41; Pierce Co Pretty Cash-supplies, gas, mileage-$108.03; Pierce Telephone-service-$1,808.72; Prime Stop-gas-$118.95; Vickie Prince-reimburse expenses-$624.21; Quill-office supplies-$190.77; Region IV Behavioral Health-3rd & 4th quarterly support-$11,443.50; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,102.33; Schroeder Land Surveying-service-$365.00; State of NE Central Finance-computer service-$63.75; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-$431.35; Tom's Service-gas & repairs-$687.05; Verizon Wireless-service-$425.93; VISA-jail supplies-$152.73; Western Oil-gas-$268.22; Payroll-$63,668.46.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: A&R Construction-bridge repair-$4,175.00; Altwine Hardware-supplies-$49.94; Appeara-service-$98.12; B's Enterprises-signs & blades-$38,741.00;

Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$851.95; Barco Municipal Products-supplies-$362.99; Bauer Built Inc-repair parts-$94.00; Carlson Home & Auto-propane-$2,022.55; Chad's Tire Service-repairs-$114.50; Classic Carpet Care-service-$175.78; Cornhusker Intl Trucks-repair parts-$127.07; Courtesy Ford-repair parts-$111.71; DD Steel-repairs-$94.44; Farmers Pride-propane-$711.17; Fastwyre Broadband-service-$111.42; Filter Care of NE-repairs-$47.10; JEO-engineering-$8,922.50; Kimball Midwest-repair parts-$1,269.46; Kumm Gas-gas-$22.80; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-$472.48; Magdanz-supplies-$154.82; Matheson-supplies-$152.13; McLean Village-utilities-$84.15; Meisinger Oil Co-oil-$1,962.57; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,765.70; Mitch's Food Center-supplies-$28.75; N&B Gas-propane-$598.26; NMC Exchange LLC-repairs-$2,326.68; NC PPD-utilities-$313.55; Osmond Farm Supply Center Inc-diesel-$2,778.40; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$685.72; Paul's Welding-repairs-$813.94; Pierce Co Petty Cash-supplies, mileage, supplies-$114.81; Pierce Telephone-service-$177.37; Plainview Telephone Co Inc-service, equipment-$1,313.46; City of Plainview-utilities-$82.72; PowerPlan-repair parts-$105.81; Randolph Farm Supply-gas & diesel-$2,811.64; RDO Truck Centers Co-repairs-$668.23; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,426.68; Rollin Coal Trucking-haul gravel-$494.72; Steinkraus Service-gas-$481.60; Tom's Service-gas-$296.32; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$113.29; Western Oil-gas-$170.50; Payroll-$37,460.10.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: State of NE Central Finance-computer service-$150.00.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: BCBS-health premium-$2,186.80; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$125.87; NE NE News-ads-$7.00; Pierce County Leader-ads-$16.00; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$121.19; Payroll-$1,795.37.

E911 FUND: Midwest Card and ID Solutions LLC-5 subscriptions to the Salamander Program-$750.00; OPTK Networks-service-$529.40; Pierce Telephone-service-$341.15.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: Plainview Telephone-service-$151.00.

INHERITANCE FUND: HFMNCO-snow removal-$25,160.00.

LOTTERY FUND: NE Dept of Revenue-renewal fee-$100.00.

There being no further business, Chairman Pro Tem Carl Martinson adjourned the meeting at 9:38 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, April 1, 2024 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/ Carl Martinson
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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
April 1, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, April 1, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Custodian Linda Mattson, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald, Weed Supt. Steve Gathman, Tim Braithwait, Dave Praeuner, Adam Gubbels, Jason Aschoff, Rick Reikofski 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 9:10 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of March 18, 2024 were approved as printed.

At 9:11 a.m. the legal was read for the opening of sealed bids for culverts, signs, posts, grader blades and gravel. The bids were opened in the presence of all present, read, copied and given to all present.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to honor and accept all sealed bids as presented by each vendor for culverts, signs, posts, grader blades and gravel for the 2024/2025 Fiscal Year, with some of the bids only stating a 30-to-90-day acceptance cost from today. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Custodian Linda Mattson was present and discussion was held on the maintenance of the courthouse generator because of the power outage last week and the problem of generator starting up. Jenkins Electric will also be finding out if it is an option to update hall heaters and add to generator.

Hwy Supt Brian McDonald was present.

The legal was read for the 9:30 a.m. opening of sealed bids for the 2024 Paint Stripe JEO Project #240950. The sealed bid was opened in the presence of all present. One bid was received: Traffic Solutions Inc., at a total cost of $65,208.95 with a start date of As Soon As Possible as weather permits.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve and accept the bid from Traffic Solutions Inc., at a total cost of $65,208.95 with a start date of As Soon As Possible as weather permits, pending the review of the numbers by Hwy Supt. McDonald. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the lone emergency bid quote received for the repair of the Hadar Truss Bridge #04105. One emergency bid quote was received from Theisen Construction Inc, Norfolk, NE, at a cost of $31,500.00 with an immediate start date.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve and accept the emergency bid quote from Theisen Construction, Norfolk, NE at a cost of $31,500.00 with an immediate start date. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The legal was read for the 9:35 a.m. opening of sealed bids for the Pierce West Bridge #03405 JEO Project #240852. The sealed bids were opened in the presence of all present. Three bids were received: A & R Construction Co. Plainview, NE, at a total cost of $181,101.81 with a start date of May 20, 2024; Rutjens Construction Inc., Tilden, NE, at a total cost of $186,745.00 with a start date of September 1, 2024 and Theisen Construction, Norfolk, NE at a total cost of $145,732.50 with a start date of June 1, 2024.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve and accept the bid from Theisen Construction, Norfolk, NE at a total cost of $145,732.50 with a start date of June 1, 2024 pending the review of the numbers by Hwy Supt. McDonald. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on repairs to be done on Bridge #04105 and on the Breslau North Project.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a designated liquor license for Wayne Eagles Aerie 2757 FOE for an event on Saturday, October 12, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Knox Residence, 85061 551 Ave, Pierce. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-6 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 - 6

WHEREAS, due to Sections 13-315 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the 2023-2024 Budget includes a transfer of funds from General to Pierce County Economic Development Fund, and

WHEREAS, the 2023-2024 County Budget was balanced by a fund transfer from the General Fund (0100) to the Pierce County Economic Development Fund (2606) for wages and benefits for the PCED Director,

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 for wages and benefits for the PCED Director for the months of January, February and March 2024.

General Fund (0100)	$15,679.19	to
Pierce County Economic Development Fund (2606)	$15,679.19	
Total	$15,679.19	

Dated this 1st day of April, 2024

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Tom Kuether, Board Chairman
/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner
/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Pierce County Auditor Martin Schildt with GBE, CPA from Seward, NE was present and discussed with the Board the 2022/2023 fiscal year county audit and single/federal audit completed and asked Board if they have questions before approving.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the 2022/2023 fiscal year county audit and single/federal audit as presented. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the Daniel Unseld Lot Split in pt of the SW ¼ NW ¼ Section 33, Township 26 North, Range 3 West, Pierce County, NE (7.65acres). Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Lorenz's North Lot Split in pt of the W ½ SW ¼ Section 18, Township 27 North, Range 2 West, Pierce County, NE (5 acres). Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Lorenz's South Lot Split in pt of the W ½ SW ¼ Section 18, Township 27 North, Range 2 West, Pierce County, NE (5 acres). Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Change Order #1, adjust quantities with an increase of $35,933.75, Pay Application #4 (Final) for $33,762.98 and the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the McLean South-JEO Project #211865 with Theisen Construction Inc., Norfolk, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Rick Eberhardt, Co Sheriff for February 2024; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for February 2024; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for February 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $314,091.79 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: Antelope Co Sheriff-inmate housing-$1,440.00; Bloomfield Medical Clinic-prisoner medical-$15.00; Crowne Plaza-lodging-$434.85; Eakes Office Solutions-contract fee-$38.66; Elite Office Products-supplies-$958.98; Ann Fenton reimburse expenses-$70.95; Jacks Uniforms & Equipment-supply-$49.94; Jenkins Electric-repairs-$910.47; M&M Sanitation-service-$330.00; Madison Co Sheriff-prisoner medication-$41.98; Madison Natl Life Ins. Co-premiums-$43.36; Marshall & Swift-supplies-$389.95; MidAmerica Admin & Retirement Solutions-HRA funding-$16,200.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,729.73; National Sheriff's Association-yrly dues-$125.00; NE Health & Human Services-housing-$87.30; -One Office Solution-supplies-$23.98; Pierce Co Treasurer-transfer to PCED-$15,679.19; Pierce City-utilities-$3,007.60; Plainview News-ads-$388.94; Prime Stop-gas-$98.84; Quill-supplies-$223.89; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,124.67; Security Shredding-service-$160.00; State of Nebraska-network server fees-$701.95; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-$191.06; Payroll-$64,011.83.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Ag Heaters-Ag & Industrial Equip-repair parts-$36.00; AKRS Equipment-repair parts-$3.16; Brad Albers-reimburse expenses-$150.00; B's Enterprises Inc-culverts-$51,688.00; Bauer Built Tire-tires-$2,484.50; Black Hills Energy-utility-$447.98; Bomgaars-supplies, equipment-$1,881.75; M&M Sanitation-service-$105.00; Matheson Tri-Gas-supplies-$92.77; Meisinger Oil-diesel-$5,483.51; Midwest Bank-co share-$2,657.02; NACO-registration-$20.00; Northeast Power-utilities-$243.00; Osmond City-garbage fee-$81.00; Pierce City-utilities-$215.05; Randolph Farm Supply-diesel-$2,615.93; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,330.13; Wattier True Value-supplies-$46.73; Payroll-$36,014.71.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: Mobile Binders-plat envelopes-$654.13.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: MidAmerica Admin & Retirement Solutions-HRA funding-$700.00**;** Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$125.87; Plainview News-ads, supplies-$253.54; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$121.19; Payroll-$1,795.37.

INHERITANCE FUND: Estate of Lorna Kumm-refund-$43.18.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk-911 call taking cost share-$149.12.

BOND FUND: Theisen Construction-bridge repair-$33,762.98.

Discussion was held on a revised Interlocal Agreement between Pierce County Economic Development and Pierce County. PCED has created a nonprofit 501C6 as a local development corporation due to the withdraw of Pierce County from the current interlocal agreement as of June 30, 2024 which at that time PCED will no longer be under the county budget authority as suggested by the state and county auditors. The PCED Board is asking for approval of an updated interlocal agreement which consists of $110,000.00 per year (3% increase each year) in financial support from the County for 3 years beginning July 1, 2024 into said nonprofit, leased office space for $1.00, ownership to all office furniture in the PCED office and all money in the PCED County Fund 2606 at the Pierce County Treasurer. The towns of Pierce, Plainview, Osmond and Hadar would contribute to this said nonprofit $3.00 per resident (3% increase each year). No decision was made.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:15 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, April 15, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
April 15, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, April 15, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether and Carl Martinson; Brad Albers was absent. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Heidi Borg, Michelle Reikofski 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 9:11 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 Kuether, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether and Martinson; Albers absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of April 1, 2024 were approved as printed.

Heidi Borg, Aide to US Senator Adrian Smith, was present to update the Board on Smith's work in Washington, his offices and work in Nebraska.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Kuether, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a special designated liquor license for Pierce American Legion for an event on Saturday, May 4, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether and Martinson; Albers absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuether, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a special designated liquor license for Plainview Chamber of Commerce bullriding event on Friday, May 31, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. at the address of 86384 537 Avenue, Plainview, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether and Martinson; Albers absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Kuether, to approve the two Underground Crossing/ROW Applications of a county road for Cushing Construction Co LLC for Winkelbauer Farms with a 10" irrigation line on 848 Rd and 546 Ave (see map) on the north side and west side of Section 30, Township 25 North, Range 2 West in Cleveland Township, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether and Martinson; Albers absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuether, seconded by Martinson, to Authorize Chairman to sign Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed and Agreements for the Pierce West Bridge #C007003406 – JEO Project #240852 with Theisen Construction Inc., Norfolk, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether and Martinson; Albers absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Approval for the underground crossing for Cole Aschoff was tabled.

Chairman Kuether opened the 9:20 a.m. public hearing at 9:23 a.m. Holly Schroeder, owner/operator of Wisner West was present to answer questions on the issuance of the Class D-126361 Liquor License for Wisner West Inc dba Discount Fuels/Prime Stop north of Norfolk. There were no written comments or objections and no one from the public was present for the hearing. Chairman Kuether closed the public hearing at 9:25 a.m.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Kuether, to approve the Class D-126361 Liquor License for Wisner West Inc dba Discount Fuels/Prime Stop in pt of the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ in Section 34, Township 25 North, Range 1 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether and Martinson; Albers absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Matthew Jones, Jill Kotwasinski, Cody Akers and David Levy with Nextera were present to update the County Board on the construction of the solar farm west of Pierce that will begin in the fall of 2024.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Kuether, 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 and Martinson; Albers absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Mark Albin-services-$871.68; Antelope County Sheriff-paper service & inmate housing-$1,464.70.; Applied Connective Technologies-IT services-$3,701.40; Black Hills Energy-utilities-$47.13; BCBS-health premiums-$49,027.26; Cintas-supplies-$173.90; Classic Rentals-service-$293.50; Egley, Fullner, Montag, Morland-court appointed attorney-$1,501.30; Election Systems & Software-service-$3,848.07; Elite Office Products-maintenance agreement-$20.00; EM Motor-purchase-$14,900.00; Ann Fenton-reimburse travel-$116.78; FP Finance Program-meter rent-$154.09; GBE, CPA,PC-service-$18,500.00; Sandra Hansen-services-$720.00; Jenkins Electric-repairs-$320.00; LexisNexis-law library software-$177.00; Magdanz-supplies-$352.60; Microfilm Imaging Systems-scanning services-$92.00; Midstates Organized Crime Information-dues-$200.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,682.50; MIPS-IT services, website, microfilming-$2,762.44; NE NE News-publishing-$1,178.42; NE Assoc. of Co. Extension Boards-dues-$100.00; NE Assoc. of Co. Assessors-dues-$75.00; NE Emergency Services Communications-dues-$75.00; One Office Solutions-supplies-$172.80; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$309.29; Pierce Automotive Supply-supplies-$123.99; Pierce County Court-court cost-$392.50; Pierce County Leader-ads-$621.67; Pierce District Court-court costs-$288.00; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner medical-$1.47; Pierce Telephone-telephone-$1,827.65; Plainview News-ads-$675.30; Prime Stop-gas-$316.16; Quill-supplies-$120.67; Region IV-quarterly support-$2,340.25; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,082.01; Stratton, DeLay, Doele, Carlson, Buettner-court appointed attorney-$1,822.10; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-$508.43; Tom's Service-gas & repairs-$639.82; TWD Lock, Safe & Key-supplies-$16.00; US Postal Service-postage-$11,500.00; Verizon-service-$425.93; Western Oil LLC-gas-$609.49; Payroll-$63,394.71.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Appeara-uniforms-$98.12; B's Enterprises-culverts & blades-$17,705.00; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$1,902.22; Bauer Built Tires-tires-$23.00; Bazile Aggregate Co LLC-gravel-$25,235.83; Carlson Home & Auto-propane-$1,623.03; Cedar Beef-gravel-$4,183.20; Chad's Tire Service-tires and repairs-$1,845.81; Cintas-supplies-$350.08; Classic Rentals-service-$199.10; Farmer's Pride-diesel & propane-$3,294.15; Fastwyre Broadband-service-$112.02; Steve Gathman-reimbursed travel-$378.68; JEO-engineering services-$24,238.00; Jerry's Hilltop-gas-$56.50; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$299.59; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-$192.85; Magdanz-supplies-$99.94; Matheson Tri-Gas-supplies-$199.25; McLean Village-utilities-$83.70; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,771.08; NMC-repair parts-$4,659.34; North Central Public Power-utilities-$238.21; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$623.07; Pierce Automotive Supply-supplies-$1,076.89; Pierce Telephone-services-$177.58; Plainview Telephone-telephone services-$96.49; City of Plainview-utilities-$86.32; Randolph Farm Supply-gas & diesel-$673.89; RDO Truck Centers Co-repair parts-$164.61; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,049.63; Steinkraus Service-gas-$1,434.50; Theisen Construction-Hadar truss bridge emergency repair-$39,500.00; Tom's Service-gas & diesel-$368.63; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$121.08; Weldon Parts Inc-repair parts-$952.68; West Hodson Lumber & Concrete-crushed concrete-$1,133.99; Western Oil-gas-$236.35; Payroll-$37,505.73.

VISITOR PROMO FUND: Hadar Fire Department-grant-$450.00**;** Village of Hadar-grant-$300.00; Home Team of Osmond-grant-$1,000.00**;** Norfolk Area Visitors Bureau-grant-$1,500.00; Osmond Men's Group-grant-$500.00; Pierce Co Threshing Bee-grant-$500.00; Pierce County Ag Society-grant-$750.00; Pierce Co Leader-ads-$6.50; Pierce Lions Club-grant-$500.00.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT FUND: Home Team of Osmond-grant-$1,000.00; Lambrecht Cemetery Assoc.- grant-$500.00; Osmond Park Board-grant-$1,000.00; Pierce Historical Society-grant-$1,000.00.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: BCBS-health premiums -$2,186.80; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$125.87; NE NE News Co-ads-$7.00; Pierce County Leader-ads-$8.00; Plainview News-ads-$9.27; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$121.19; Payroll-$1,795.37.

E911 FUND: OPTK Networks-IT services-$529.40; RS Technologies Inc-software support-$500.00.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: Pierce Telephone-services-$341.15; Plainview Telephone-service-$151.00.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-online services-$349.12.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 9:56 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, April 29, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
April 29, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, April 29, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Bobbi Pettit, Michelle Reikofski 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 9:10 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 April 15, 2024 were approved as printed.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a special designated liquor license for Kay Hunt, Pierce, for an event on Saturday, June 15, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on applying for the Scrap Tire Grant Project for 2025 with NE DEQ.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize the Clerk to apply for grant funds for the Scrap Tire Grant Project for 2025 with Nebraska Dept. of Environmental Quality Waste Management Division, with the project to be held at the Pierce Shop if granted. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the application to occupy ROW and under cross county roads for Eastern NE Telephone Co with fiber optic line, approximately 13 miles of roads in Mills and Blaine Townships, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to Authorize Chairman to sign Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed and Agreements for the Pierce 2024 Paint Stripe – JEO Project #240905 with Traffic Solutions Inc, Harrisburg, SD. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter was present and discussion held on the Fletcher Lot Split.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Fletcher Lot Split in pt of the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ Section 12, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the bridge inspector position for 2024.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize and approve Randy Stromberg to inspect the bridges that need to be done in 2024 at a cost of $125.00 per bridge with the option of increase if fuel costs continue to rise. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on current road and bridge projects.

Bobbi Pettit with Five Rule was present to update the Board on the Comprehensive Plan that will be presented to the Zoning Board for approval and then brought before the County Board for final approval.

Approval for the underground crossing for Cole Aschoff was tabled.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Co. Sheriff Rick Eberhardt; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for March 2024; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for March 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $1,462,053.51 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 attorney costs-$4,144.55; Applied Connective Technologies-IT services-$185.95; Binswanger Glass #580-repairs-$78.00; Charm-Tex Inc-supplies-$74.26; Eakes-supplies-$279.32; Elite Office Products-supplies-$2,278.00; Ann Fenton-mileage & reimbursed supplies-$80.99; Holiday Inn, Kearney-lodging-$347.85; Hometown Auto Repair-repairs-$1,029.90; Kate M. Jorgensen, PC LLO-public defender-$4,583.33; Billy Joe Koeppe-mileage-$22.06; Mary Kruger-mileage-$20.72; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,859.71; NACO-registration-$125.00; NIRMA-CPR/EMT training-$598.00; NE Health & Human Services-boarding-$93.00; NPZA-registration-$235.00; Pierce City-utilities-$2,589.60; Prime Stop-gas-$144.54; Quill-supplies-$488.98; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,217.99; Brett Rix-mileage & meals-$277.41; NE SOS-election supplies-$10.00; Robert Seegebarth-prior service-$33.00; St of NE-network server-$63.75;

Melinda Stelling-mileage-$12.68; Stratton, DeLay, Doele, Carlson PC LLC-court appointed attorney costs-$477.80; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$542.58; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$1,300.68; Tyler Technologies Inc-supplies-$449.00; VISA-jail supplies-$250.29; US Postal Service-meter postage-$500.00; Payroll-$65,388.06.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Bazille Aggregate Co LLC-gravel-$11,163.18; Black Hills Energy-service-$493.27; Bomgaars-supplies-$575.89; Cintas-supplies-$44.27; Colonial Research Chem Corp-supplies-$991.89; Kelly Supply Co-supplies-$70.65; Lawson Products-repair parts-$423.25; Matteo Sand & Gravel Co Inc-gravel-$9,763.38; Meisinger Oil Co-oil-$9,128.91; Menards-supplies-$17.36; Midwest Bank-co share-$2,685.23; Northeast Glass-repairs-$550.00; Osmond Farm Supply Center Inc-diesel-$2,762.10; Pierce City-utilities-$196.62; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,354.01; Riverside Hydraulics Inc-repair parts-$89.14; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$866.40; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$59.38; Payroll-$36,383.53.

VISITOR PROMO FUND: Brandon Gerdes Memorial Foundation-grant-$300.00.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: St of NE-network server-$150.00.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$125.87; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$121.19; Payroll-$1,795.37.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk-March 2024 costs-$149.12.

The Board tabled the quarterly jail and courthouse inspection.

Discussion was held on the updating of the interlocal between Pierce County and PCED.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:23 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, May 13, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
May 13, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, May 13, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Deputy Co. Clerk Susan Peters, Co. Treasurer Chris Bahr, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Greg Pfanstiel, Susan Buckley, Bullet Beaudette, Dustin Wills, Mike Boden 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 9:10 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 April 29, 2024 were approved as printed.

Dustin Wills with Benefit Management was present to visit with the Board about how his company can assist and what they offer in benefits.

Mike Boden with NACO was present to give the Board updates on NACO Benefit Services offered and answer questions the Board had.

Numerous County employees were present for the discussion held on the 2024-2025 premium rates and plans for the NACO health and dental insurance.

Greg Pfanstiel was present to talk with County Board on the condition of his road after all the rain.

Discussion was held again on the 2024-2025 premium rates and plans for the health and dental insurance.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve and authorize the Clerk to sign the NACO Sub-Group Application for the 2024/2025 fiscal year for the county health/dental insurance plan year with the following: Dental PPO BC/BS of NE dental plan with a paid premium for the employee only on dental at $27.29 and Medical PPO BC/BS of NE Health Insurance plan with a $2,600.00 deductible with a paid premium for the employee at $1,164.31, for the employee/spouse or children at $2,137.18 and for family at $2,373.91 and approve a Funded Health Reimbursement Arrangement (Funded HRA) for active participating county employees in the health plan with the county contributing $1,200 for single plan or $2,800 for employee/spouse/children/family plan; all effective July 1, 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-7 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2024-7

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska consent and agree that the following resolution was made and approved on Monday, May 13, 2024, at the Pierce County Commissioners Meeting Room during a regular scheduled board meeting.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Pierce County consent to adoption of Cash-In-Lieu as an option to our group medical insurance available to the elected officials and full-time employees of Pierce County, Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, those elected officials and full-time employees of Pierce County, Nebraska electing to participate in the Cash-In-Lieu option, after presenting notice of Proof of Coverage and submitting a signed Affidavit of Other Coverage to the Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska be eligible for said cash-in-lieu benefits in the amount of $550.00 monthly.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS that the Cash-In-Lieu Option offered by Pierce County be offered to those elected officials and full time Pierce County employees wishing to participate according to the above requirements. Said Cash-In-Lieu payment shall be addressed as monthly income and all withholding requirements will be administered accordingly.

This policy will go into effect on July 1, 2024

Dated this 13th day of May, 2024

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman

/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuether, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Underground Crossing of a county road for Cole Aschoff with a 6" tile line in pt of Section 30, Township 28 North, Range 3 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a special designated liquor license for the White House/Taylors, for an event on Saturday, June 22, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter was present to present the Stelling 1st and 2nd Lot Splits in pt NW ¼ of the NW ¼ 7-27-3.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Stelling 1st Lot Split in pt of NW ¼ NW ¼ Section 7, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Pierce Co. NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Stelling 2nd Lot Split in pt of NW ¼ NW ¼ Section 7, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Pierce Co. NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of 8 special designated liquor license dates for the Pierce Community Organization at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Sand Volleyball Court for the following dates in 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.: May 23 & 30, June 6, 13, 20 & 27 and July 11 & 18. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to Approve Resolution #2024-8 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 - 8

WHEREAS, due to Section 39-1904 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the 2023-2024 County Road Fund budget does not include a property tax dollar request, and

WHEREAS, the 2023-2024 county budget was balanced by a fund transfer of $1,325,000.00 from the General Fund to the County Road Fund,

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:

Road/Bridge Fund	$575,000.00
Total	$575,000.00

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

Dated this 13th day of May, 2024

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman

/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to Approve Resolution #2024-9 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 - 9

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (PSC) has stated beginning July 1, 2014, regular funding or set aside funds can be used to pay salaries and consulting costs related to the selection and purchase of equipment and software pursuant to wireless ratio.

THEREFORE, Pierce County is directed by the Nebraska Public Service Commission to transfer $20,333.30 from the E911 Wireless Enhanced Fund (#2913) to General Fund (0100);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, direct the Pierce County Treasurer to transfer the following funds thru the claim process as follows:

$20,333.30 from the E911 Wireless Enhanced Fund (#2913) to General Fund (0100).

Dated this 13th day of May, 2024

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman

/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. 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 April 2024; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for April 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $1,737.848.03 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: Applied Connective Technologies-service & software-$5,400.15; Black Hills Energy-service-$172.86; BCBS-health premiums-$49,414.24; Rhonda Cortner-mileage-$52.26; ES & S-Primary 24 Election-$2,823.11; Elite Office Products-maintenance agreement & supplies-$660.17; Ann Fenton-mileage-$67.99; FP Finance Program-meter rent-$154.09; GBE CPA-23/24 FY audit-$5,000.00; Holiday Inn, Kearney-lodging-$347.85; Johnson's Inc-repairs-$270.00; LexisNexis-law software-$177.00; Lorenz Automotive-repairs-$53.97; Jean Lubke-reimb. supplies-$108.13; Magdanz Inc-supplies-$545.49; Linda Mattson-reimb. supplies-$201.03; Microfilm Imaging Systems-scanning services-$92.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,757.70; MIPS-IT services, website, microfilming-$2,762.44; NE NE News-publishing-$769.66; NMC Exchange LLC-repairs to CH generator-$1,663.36; Pierce Co Court-court cost-$262.00; Pierce County Treasurer-transfer from General to Road-Bridge-$575,000.00; Pierce Telephone-telephone-$1,798.60; Quill-supplies-$28.99; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,128.34; Sanne Repair LLC-repairs-$169.55; Security Shredding Services-shredding-$120.00; State of NE Central Financing-service-$701.95; Stratton, DeLay, Doele, Carlson PC LLC-court appointed attorney costs-$5,930.82; Terminex-service-$107.00; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$315.57; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$1,469.48; US Postal Service-CMRS-FP-postage-$500.00; Verizon Wireless-service-$425.75; Walmart-Capital One-supplies-$149.74; Western Oil LLC-gas-$184.53; Payroll-$64,054.35.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Brad Albers-reimb. registration-$150.00; Alpha Workforce Health-testing-$89.00; Altwine Hardware & Home LLC-supplies-$31.28; Appeara-uniforms-$98.12; B's Enterprises-culverts & blades-$6,118.00; Bazile Aggregate-gravel-$8,440.33; Chad's Tire Service-repairs-$926.20; Cintas-supplies-$54.52; Cornhusker Intl Trucks-repair parts-$439.80; Farmers Pride-diesel-$6,032.32; Filtercare-repairs-$33.10; Jerry's Hilltop-gas-$388.46; Kayton Intl-repair parts-$1,117.31; Kimball Midwest-supplies-$860.60; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$19.73; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-$294.32; Magdanz Inc-supplies-$281.83; Matheson Tri-Gas-supplies-$90.16; Matteo Sand & Gravel Co Inc-gravel-$578.85; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$4,822.31; Menards-supplies-$35.98; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,668.49; Midwest Service & Sales Co-supplies-$2,170.00; NE NE News Company-publishing-$100.48; NMC Exchange LLC-repair parts-$3,468.79; North Central Public Power-utilities-$220.80; Northeast Public Power-utilities-$262.00; Pierce Telephone-services-$162.43; Plainview Telephone-services-$96.49; City of Plainview-utilities-$94.06; Power Plan-repair parts-$330.34; Prince Auto Repair Inc-repairs-$71.26; R & D Welding-repairs-$155.76; Randolph Farm Supply Inc-gas & diesel-$4,750.12; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,339.26; Safety Kleen Systems Inc-repairs-$662.54; Steinkraus Service-gas-$608.62; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$256.30; True Ag & Turf-repair parts-$471.95; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$118.99; West Hodson Lumber & Concrete-supplies-$759.06; Western Oil Inc-gas-$419.76; Payroll-$36,164.85.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: BCBS-health premiums-$2,186.80; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$84.67; NE NE News Co-publishing-$7.00; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$84.83; Payroll-$1,256.75.

E911 FUND: Page My Cell-services for Pierce-$600.00.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk-April cost share for services-$149.12; Pierce County Treasurer-transfer to General Fund-$20,333.30; Pierce Telephone-services-$341.15; Plainview Telephone-service-$151.00.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-online services-$349.12.

BOND FUND: BOK Financial-principal & interest payment-$260,221.25.

Discussion was held on the monetary support to give to the Pierce County Economic Development for the 24/25 fiscal year, the hiring of a fulltime highway superintendent and a bridge inspector.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:40 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 28, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
May 28, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Michelle Reikofski, Bruce Zimmerman 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 Kuether called the meeting to order at 9:10 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 Kuether, seconded by Albers, to amend the agenda to add Approve and Authorize Treasurer to Pledge additional collateral with Security Bank, Osmond. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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 May 13, 2024 were approved as printed.

Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was present and discussion was held on the closed 846 Road between 544 and 545 Avenue that was closed in December 2004 by Resolution 2004-83 approved at the time by both Pierce and Madison Counties. Bruce Zimmerman was present to ask the board about the opening of the road for access to Zimmerman property. No decision was made.

Discussion was held other current road and bridge projects.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Kuether, to authorize and approve Chairman to sign Pay Application #1 for the Breslau North & Pierce North JEO Project No. 221895 and 230074 for $159,532.96 to A & R Construction Co. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize and approve Chairman to sign Pay Application #1 and the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the 2024 Paint Stripe - JEO Project No. 240950 for $63,631.95 to Traffic Solutions Inc. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to authorize and approve Chairman to sign Change Order #1 (Adjust quantities and add $58,750.00 with new total price of $204,482.20) and Pay Application #1 for the Pierce West Bridge-C007003405 JEO Project No. 240852 for $162,687.50 to Theisen Construction Inc. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr visited with the Board about the Pledging of additional Collateral.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize and approve the County Treasurer to Pledge Additional Single Pooled Collateral with Security Bank, Osmond. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the monetary support to give to the Pierce County Economic Development for the 24/25 fiscal year because beginning July 1, 2024 the county is unable to have them under the county budget authority.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, 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 attorney-$41,117.35; American Legion Emblem Sales-grave markers-$511.25; Antelope Co Sheriff-inmate housing-$1,440.00; Avera-physical-$150.00; Leann Beltz-poll worker-$217.00; Marietta Bjorklund-poll worker-$210.00; Marilyn Blunck-poll worker-$224.00; Beata Burkink-poll worker-$217.00; Classic Carpet Care-maintenance-$243.59; Phyllis Cleveland-poll worker-$210.00; Carla Ellsworth-poll worker-$210.00; Susan Fehringer-poll worker-$217.00; Floor Maintenance & Paper Supplies-supplies-$600.47; Melissa Forbes-poll worker-$210.00; Jennifer Fritz-poll worker-$217.00; Jennifer Funston-reimburse travel-$87.01; Sylvia Furstenau-poll worker-$217.00; Nancy Green-poll worker-$189.00; Johnson's Inc-repairs-$472.40; Kate M. Jorgensen-public defender-$4,166.67; Patricia Ketelsen-poll worker-$210.00; Jan Kramer-poll worker-$231.00; Melissa Lind-poll worker-$210.00; Lynn Peavey Co-supplies-$97.25; Beth Manzer-poll worker-$210.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,995.28; MIPS-IT post cards, services, website, microfilming-$788.82; Patricia Moeller-poll worker-$189.00; NACO-registration-$125.00; NE Assoc. Co Treasurers-registration-$150.00; NE Co. Attorney Association-dues-$1,100.00; NE Health & Human Services-boarding-$90.00; Norfolk Daily News-publishing-$48.43; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$161.89; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-$18.49; Pierce Co Leader-ads-$637.50; Pierce County District Court-court costs-$37.00; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner medical-$302.45; Pierce City-utilities-$2,041.90; Plainview News-ads-$334.92; Prime Stop North-gas-$291.00; Quill-supplies-$124.75; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,215.33; Rhonda Rowley-poll worker-$247.50; Lisa Samuelson-poll worker-$210.00; Barbara Schaefer-poll worker-$189.00; Denise Schmit-poll worker-$210.00; Catherine Schuett-poll worker-$240.00; Leanne Silhacek-poll worker-$42.00; State of NE Central Finance-support-$46.00; Dolores Steinkraus-poll worker-$189.00; Diane Sullivan-poll worker-$247.50; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$423.65; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$967.63; UNL Print & Copy-supplies-$161.58; VISA-supplies-$573.90; Sharon Wagner-poll worker-$240.00; Kim Wolken-poll worker-$240.00; Lori Wragge-poll worker-$217.00; Payroll-$65,297.56.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: A&R Construction-bridge repair-$159,532.96; $155.00; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$16,586.23; Bazile Aggregate-gravel-$29,747.40 Black Hills Energy-gas-$72.24; Bomgaars-supplies-$283.95; Classic Carpet Care-maintenance-$224.60; Fastwyre Broadband-telephone-$112.02; Lawson Products-supplies-$462.16; McLean-utilities-$77.40; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$3,902.54; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,861.18; Northwest Electric-supplies-$544.97; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$392.05; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-$648.92; Pierce Co Leader-ads-$84.00; Pierce City-utilities-$197.28; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,438.91; Safety Kleen Systems Inc-repairs-$303.85; Sapp Bros Norfolk-oil-$394.75; Theisen Construction-bridge repair-$162,687.50; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$332.27; Traffic Solutions-paint stripping-$63,631.95; True Ag & Turf-repair parts-$1,029.39; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$220.96; Payroll-$37,401.25.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$123.61; Pierce Co Leader-ads-$8.00; Plainview News Inc-ads-$7.64; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$109.07; Payroll-$1,615.83.

E911 FUND: Electronic Engineering-equipment-$1,411.10; Geocomm-GIS support-$5,750.00; Optk Networks-support-$529.40.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: NE Central Finance-support-$150.00.

The Board did the quarterly jail and courthouse inspection and all three returned.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:43 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, June 10, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
June 10, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, June 10, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Deputy Sheriff Jacob Wostrel, Sheriff Office Manager Alicia Stortz, Extension Agent Ann Fenton, Custodian Linda Mattson, Clerk of District Court Vickie Prince, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Veterans Service Officer Brett Rix, Jim Schmit, Bob Wehrer, Kathy Moore, Paige Kumm, Kyle Stuchlik, Bonita Lederer, Chad Anderson, Michelle Reikofski, Sarah Cederburg, Tom Meyer, Doug Johnson, Taylor Oltjenbruns, Krista Bailey, Blaine Bockelman, Clark Wilke, Dennis Kuhl, Kevin Lingenfelter, Zach Meier, Garret Meier, Jay Meier, Larissa Meier, Todd Wragge, Darin Zuhlke, 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 Kuether called the meeting to order at 9:10 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the agenda and minutes. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of May 28, 2024 were approved as printed.

Plainview, Pierce and Osmond Librarians were unable to be present, but submitted their requests via email. Discussion was held on the three local city library budget requests for 2024-2025 fiscal years. They had received $30,900.00 or $10,300 per library for the 23/24 fiscal year and they submitted a request for a $3,000.00 increase for the 24/25 fiscal year or $1,000 per library. 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 1st (SS 77-3443). The County Board will then determine final allocation of levy authority for its subdivision on or before September 1st. No political subdivisions were present.

Discussion was held on LB644, directing of the joint budget hearings for the counties, cities, villages, schools and colleges for the 24/25 fiscal year budgets.

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

Motion by Kuether, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a designated liquor license for Jerry's Hilltop for an event on Saturday, July 13, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether and Martinson; Albers abstained. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The following County Officials and Dept. Heads were present to meet with the Board on budget expectations and allowed increases for the 2024/2025 Fiscal Year: Shannon Wragge, Jean Lubke, Christine Bahr, Brett Rix, Linda Mattson, Alicia Stortz, Jacob Wostrel, Ann Fenton, Vickie Prince, Heather McWhorter and Ted Lohrberg. The County Board would like everyone to keep their budget to no more than a 4% increase for the 24/25 fiscal year.

Numerous individuals from Pierce County were present to voice their opinion on the performance of Pierce County Economic Development within the county. Discussion was held on a revised Interlocal Agreement between Pierce County Economic Development and Pierce County. PCED has created a nonprofit 501C6 as a local development corporation due to the withdraw of Pierce County from the current interlocal agreement as of June 30, 2024 which at that time PCED will no longer be under the county budget authority as suggested by the state and county auditors.

The legal was read for the 9:45 a.m. public hearing to receive public comments concerning the application for Country View Farms to operate a livestock feeding operation with an expansion to a medium hog confinement facility on property located in pt of the SW ¼ SW ¼ 11-26-3.

Chairman Kuether opened the 9:45 a.m. public hearing at 9:55 a.m. Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter and Jay, Zach, Garret & Larissa Meier were present and answered questions the Board had on the application. There were no written comments or objections and no one from the public was present for the hearing. Chairman Kuether closed the hearing at 10:00 a.m.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-10 as follows:

RESOLUTION 2024-10

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR CERTAIN LAND LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF PIERCE, NEBRASKA UNDER AUTHORITY GRANTED BY THE PIERCE COUNTY ZONING AND SUBDIVISION RESOLUTION AND LEGISLATIVE BILL 186 (1978)

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Planning Commission and the Pierce County Board of Commissioners, having given proper notice and holding public hearings as provided by law and under the authority of and subject to the provision the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision Resolution and Legislative Bill 186 (1978).

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Planning Commission and the Pierce County Board of Commissioners have established the following Statement of Finding of Facts for the Conditional Use Permit application of Country View Farms:

1. The application is consistent with the Pierce County Comprehensive Plan.
2. The application is consistent with the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations.
3. Located in the A-1 Ag Intensive district.
4. Permit is for up to 1,400 swine (560 h.e.).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, hereby grants a Conditional Use Permit to Country View Farms for a Livestock Feeding operation expansion to a medium hog confinement facility under Section 402, Subsection B, Part 29, "A-1" Primary Agricultural District, Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision, on the following described land:

SW ¼ SW ¼ Section 11, Township 26 North, Range 3 West of the 6th P.M., Pierce County, Nebraska

This Conditional Use Permit shall be subject to the following conditions in addition to those established with the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision regulations:

1. This is a Medium Livestock Feeding Operation Conditional Use Permit for an operation of up to 1,400 swine. May be converted to 3,000 nursery pigs (under 55 pounds) in the future.
2. All manure shall be applied on property as shown on the manure management plan developed by the applicant in accordance with Nebraska Title 130.
3. This conditional use permit shall be for a period of twenty years and will become effective with the adoption of this resolution. This permit is subject to all the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations and the governing powers of the State of Nebraska and shall be constructed to meet both groups.
4. This conditional use permit shall become invalid if the application with Nebraska Department of Environment & Energy is not approved within one year of adoption of this resolution.
5. The permit may be transferred to a new owner, provided the Zoning Administrator is notified at least 30 days prior to closing.
6. A zoning permit must be obtained before beginning construction on any buildings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that upon taking effect of this Resolution, the above Conditional Use Permit shall be entered and shown on the Official Zoning Map of Pierce County, previously adopted by reference, and said zoning map is hereby reincorporated as a part of the Pierce County, Nebraska Zoning and Subdivision Resolution as amended.

APPROVED and ADOPTED at Pierce County, Nebraska this 10th day of June 2024.

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Tom Kuether, District #1 Commissioner

/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The legal was read for the 9:50 a.m. public hearing to receive public comments concerning the updating of the Pierce County Comprehensive Plan.

Chairman Kuether opened the 9:50 a.m. public hearing at 10:04 a.m. Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter and Lowell Schroeder with Five Rule, whom has updated the Comprehensive Plan for the County, were present and answered questions the Board had on the plan. There were no written comments or objections and no one from the public was present for the hearing. Chairman Kuether closed the hearing at 10:08 a.m.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Pierce County Comprehensive Plan whereas the original Comprehensive Plan is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk

and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, 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 2024; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for May 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $941,188.82 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: Applied Connective-IT services-$3,733.20; Black Hills Energy-service-$47.53; Dept. of Revenue-filing fee for PCORI-$93.00; Elite Office Products-supplies-$263.53; Gworks-24/25 FY software & support-$21,113.00; Kim Huwaldt-mileage-$28.76; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment-supplies-$596.64; John Jenkins Electric-repairs-$8,291.98; Jones Automotive-repairs-$605.00; Justice Data Solutions Inc-software & support-$3,000.00; BJ Koeppe-mileage-$22.06; Mary Beth Kruger-mileage-$20.72; LexisNexis-software-$177.00; Magdanz Inc-supplies-$374.28; Maximus-cost allocation plan-$239.43; Menards-supplies-$353.51; Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc-scanner rent-$92.00; MidAmerica-admin. Costs-$372.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,860.65; MIPS-hardware/software & website support-$2,762.44; NE NE County Assessor Association-2024 dues-$25.00; NE NE News Company-ads-$2,847.50; Pierce County District Court-court costs-$36.00; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-services-$1,810.40; Platte Co Detention Facility-jail school-$175.00; Primestop-gas-$370.71; Quill-supplies-$229.93; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,230.78; Rice's Body Shop-repairs-$1,069.10; State of NE Central Finance-network services-$701.95; Melinda Stelling-mileage-$12.68; Terminex-service fee-$877.00; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-$476.21; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$725.18; TWD Lock, Safe & Key-repairs-$75.00; US Postal Service CMRS-FP-metered postage-$2,500.00; Payroll-$65,531.52.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Altwine Hardware & Home LLC-repair parts-$49.97; Appeara-service-$122.65; B's Enterprises Inc-signs & posts-$3,036.00; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$60,130.74; Bazile Aggregate Co LLC-gravel-$13,564.88; Chad's Tire Service-repairs-$420.20; Farmers Pride-diesel-$5,914.89; Fastwyre-telephone-$111.42; Filter Care-repairs-$49.25; JEO Consulting-engineering-$29,950.00; Kimball Midwest-supplies-$1,548.61; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-$473.46; Magdanz Inc-supplies-$122.38; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc-supplies-$92.77; Matteo Sand & Gravel Co Inc-rock-$510.00; Mattson Garage-repairs-$354.00; Meisinger Oil Co-oil-$2,823.05; Menards-supplies-$498.64; Midwest Bank-co share-$2,804.72; NE Machinery Co-repair parts-$2,334.01; North Central PPD-service-$214.32; Northeast Power-service-$232.00; Paul's Welding-repairs-$14.60; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-$169.00; Plainview Telephone Co-service-$96.49; Plainview City-utilities-$86.16; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,400.89; Sapp Bros Inc-supplies-$162.90; Tom's Service-gas & repairs-$262.84; Wattier True Value-supplies-$34.57; West-Hodson Lumber Co Inc-crushed concrete-$3,888.98; Payroll-$37,945.19.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Five Rule Rural Planning-2024 Housing Study update-$12,488.00; Jarecki Sharp & Petersen PC LLO-revising interlocal agreement for PCED-$1,610.50; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$137.34; National Rural Economic Developers Association-membership-$395.00; Susan Norris-reimbursed for hotel and conference fee, NEDA membership fee, supplies-$828.92; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$121.19; Payroll-$1,795.37.

911 FUND: Optk Neworks-support & service-$529.40.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-$341.15; Plainview Telephone Co-service-$151.00.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-software support-$349.12.

INHERITANCE FUND: Estate of Stanley R. Petersen-refund of inheritance tax-$55.59.

Discussion was held on the closed 846 Road between 544 and 545 Avenue that was closed in December 2004 by Resolution 2004-83 approved at the time by both Pierce and Madison Counties.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:26 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, June 24, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
June 24, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, June 24, 2024, 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, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Clerk of District Court Vickie Prince, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Extension Agent Ann Fenton, Kelly Hodson, PCED Susan Norris, Jeanne Reigle, EMS Bobbi Risor, Jeremy Tarr, Robert Smith, Amy Topp, Bob Wehrer, Josh Sirek, Chad Anderson, Rich Lutz, Steve Dolesh 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 Kuether called the meeting to order at 9:10 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of June 10, 2024 were approved as printed.

Dean Koehler was present to visit with the Board about his well damage from vibration of pile driving by Dixon Construction Co on the Osmond South JEO Bridge Project 211903. He had submitted 5 bills for the damages for the Board to review. No decision was made.

Extension Agent Ann Fenton and Amy Topp were present to present to the Board Fentons 24/25 Budget Request and both gave an update of extension activities in Pierce County and surrounding counties.

Fire Chief Steve Dolesh and EMS Deputy Rich Lutz were present to discuss with the Board an emergency plan for the 2024 Pierce County Fair.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Kuether, to approve and authorize Chairman to sign the Incident Action Plan for the 2024 Pierce County Fair. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

NACO Legal Counsel Elaine Menzel was present to give a NACO update.

Discussion was held on budgets of the county offices and road/bridge depts.

The Pierce County Economic Development (PCED) Board was present and presented an updated Interlocal Agreement to the Pierce County Board of Commissioners. PCED has created a nonprofit 501C6 as a local development corporation due to the withdraw of Pierce County from the current interlocal agreement as of June 30, 2024 which at that time PCED will no longer be under the county budget authority as suggested by the state and county auditors. The PCED Board is asking for approval of an updated interlocal agreement which consists of $90,000.00 per year (3% increase each year) in financial support from the County for 2 years beginning July 1, 2024 into said nonprofit, leased office space for $1.00, ownership to all office furniture in the PCED office and all money in the PCED County Fund 2606 at the Pierce County Treasurer. The towns of Pierce, Plainview, Osmond and Hadar would contribute to this said nonprofit $4.00 per resident (followed by a 3% increase each year). Decision was unable to be made because the item was not on agenda.

Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter was present to discuss the Johannsen Lot Split in pt SW ¼ 20-28-1.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the Johannsen Lot Split in 5.09 acres in pt of the SW ¼ Section 20, Township 28 North, Range 1 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve Resolution #2024-11 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 - 11

WHEREAS, due to Sections 13-315 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the 2023-2024 Budget includes a transfer of funds from General to Pierce County Economic Development Fund, and

WHEREAS, the 2023-2024 County Budget was balanced by a fund transfer from the General Fund (0100) to the Pierce County Economic Development Fund (2606) for wages and benefits for the PCED Director,

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 for wages and benefits for the PCED Director for the month of April and May 2024.

General Fund (0100)	$12,538.00	to
Pierce County Economic Development Fund (2606)	$12,538.00	
Total	$12,538.00	

Dated this 24th day of June, 2024

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ Tom Kuether, Board Chairman
/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner
/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr was visited with the Board about the Releasing & Pledging of Collateral.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize and approve the County Treasurer to Release Pledge Single Pooled Collateral with Elkhorn Valley Bank and Pledge Single Pooled Collateral with Security National Bank. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize and approve Pay Application #2 for $34,221.37 for the Breslau North & Pierce North - JEO Project #221895 and #230074 with A & R Construction Co. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on culvert at the intersection of Old 98 and 861 Rd on the west side of the road.

Discussion was held on the closed 846 Road between 544 and 545 Avenue that was closed in December 2004 by Resolution 2004-83 approved at the time by both Pierce and Madison Counties.

EMS Bobbi Risor was present to update the Board on current projects and ask if Pierce County would be interested in participating in an active shooter tabletop drill.

Jeanne Reigle, Candidate for State Legislative District 19, gave an update.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, 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: Antelope County Sheriff Dept.-prisoner boarding-$1,705.00; Christine Bahr-reimbursed travel expense-$209.12; Big Red Printing-supplies-$767.68; BCBS of NE-premiums-$56,080.67; Classic Carpet Care-service-$228.94; Comfort Inn-lodging-$359.85; Des Moines Stamp Mtg Co-supplies-$66.00; Eakes Office Solutions-supplies-$434.61; Elite Office Products-maint. agreement- & supplies-$1,018.04; Embassy Suites-lodging-$214.00; Ann Fenton-reimb. mileage & supplies-$272.25; FP Finance Program-meter lease-$154.09; Govt Forms & Supplies-supplies-$422.00; Gworks-software & support-$7,367.00; Kate M. Jorgensen PC LLO-public defender-$4,583.33; M & M Sanitation Service-garbage service-$330.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,811.53; NE Health & Human Services-May 2024 boarding-$93.00; NIRMA-24/25 FY liability insurance premium-$153,063.00; One Office Solutions-supplies-$3,121.27; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$93.49; Pierce County Court-court costs-$238.00; Pierce County Leader-ads-$2,072.63; Pierce County Petty Cash Fund-reimbursed expenses-$181.95; Pierce County Treasurer- transfer to PCED-$12,538.00; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner medical-$1.47; Pierce City-utilities-$1,612.11; PIP Marketing Signs Print-supplies-$180.81; Plainview News Inc-ads-$2,446.11; Prime Stop-gas-$166.94; Vickie Prince-reimb. supplies & travel expense-$592.02; Quill-office supplies-$1,307.03; Ramada-lodging-$214.00; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,145.62; Secretary of State-election supplies-$10.00; State of NE Central Finance-computer network service-$46.00; Stratton, DeLay, Doelle, Carlson PC LLC-court appointed costs-$3,372.84; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$445.56; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$1,050.90; UNL Print & Copy Services-printing-$166.13; US Postal Service CMRS-FP-meter postage-$4,790.00; Verizon Wireless-service-$425.75; VISA-supplies-$525.86; Western Oil Inc-gas-$533.68; Shannon Wragge-travel expense-$243.80; Payroll-$64,901.58.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: A & R Construction Co-Pay Application #2 for Breslau & Pierce North Projects-$34,221.37; Alpha Workforce Health-testing-$25.00; B's Enterprises Inc-blades & culverts-$32,742.00; Bauer Built Inc-repair parts-$573.36; Black Hills Energy-utilities-$47.40; Bloomfield Medical Clinic PC-DOT physical-$150.00; Bomgaars-supplies-$73.32; CHI Health-testing-$126.00; Classic Carpet Care-service-$225.69; Steve Gathman-travel expense-$263.74; Heartland Fire Protection Co-fire extinguisher testing-$410.95; JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineering-$57,515.53; Lawson Products-supplies-$304.77; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$137.17; M & M Sanitation Service-garbage service-$105.00; McLean-utilities-$88.20; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$5,905.64; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,781.39; Mitch's Food Center-supplies-$20.18; Osmond City-garbage service-$81.00; Osmond Farm Supply Center Inc-diesel-$2,486.85; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$828.00; Pierce County Petty Cash Fund-reimbused supplies-$31.93; Pierce City-utilities-$194.67; Randolph Farm Supply Inc-gas-$566.59; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,390.14; Steinkraus Service-gas & repairs-$655.74; Tom's Service LLC-repairs & gas-$307.05; True Ag & Turf-supplies-$51.06; Wattier True Value-repair parts-$79.54; Western Oil Inc-gas-$299.58; Payroll-$37,640.34.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: NE Central Finance-support-$150.00.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$247.23; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$218.14; Payroll-$3,231.72.

INHERITANCE TAX FUND: Estate of Joel S. Stenberg % Brogan & Stafford PC-reimbursed inheritance tax-$1,323.96.

E911 FUND: NE College-registration-$400.00.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: Norfolk City-share cost for 911-$149.12.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 11:25 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, July 8, 2024 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 l0 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

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
July 8, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, July 8, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. 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, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald, Anson Dockhorn, David Levy, Matthew Jones, Kelly Hodson, Bob Wehrer, Josh Sirek, Chad Anderson, Jeremy Tarr, Tom Meyer 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 Kuether called the meeting to order at 9:10 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 June 24, 2024 were approved as printed.

The legal was read for the 9:11 a.m. public hearing to receive public comments concerning the application for Anson Dockhorn to operate a medium hog finishing facility on property located in pt of the E ½ SW ¼ 32-28-1.

Chairman Kuether opened the 9:11 a.m. public hearing at 9:12 a.m. Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter and Anson Dockhorn were present and answered questions the Board had on the application. There were no written comments or objections and no one from the public was present for the hearing. Chairman Kuether closed the hearing at 9:13 a.m.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-12 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 - 12

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR CERTAIN LAND LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF PIERCE, NEBRASKA UNDER AUTHORITY GRANTED BY THE PIERCE COUNTY ZONING AND SUBDIVISION
RESOLUTION AND LEGISLATIVE BILL 186 (1978)

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Planning Commission and the Pierce County Board of Commissioners, having given proper notice and holding public hearings as provided by law and under the authority of and subject to the provision the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision Resolution and Legislative Bill 186 (1978).

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Planning Commission and the Pierce County Board of Commissioners have established the following Statement of Finding of Facts for the Conditional Use Permit application:

1. The application is consistent with the Pierce County Comprehensive Plan.
2. The application is consistent with the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations.
3. Located in the A-1 Ag Intensive district.
4. There are no homes inside the ¼ mile setback.
5. Permit is for up to 1,200 (480) H.E.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, hereby grants a Conditional Use Permit to Anson Dockhorn to operate a medium hog operation of up to 1200 swine under Section 402, Subsection B, Part 29, "A-1" Primary Agricultural District, Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision Resolution, on the following described land:

E ½ SW ¼ located in Section 32, Township 28 North, Range 1 West of the 6th P.M., Pierce County, Nebraska
This Conditional Use Permit shall be subject to the following conditions in addition to those established with the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision regulations:

1. This is a Medium Livestock Feeding Operation Conditional Use Permit for an operation of up to 1,200 swine.
2. All manure shall be applied on property as shown on the manure management plan developed by the applicant in accordance with Nebraska Title 130.
3. The barns and manure application must be setback at least 150 from the county road right of way and manure application cannot occur within 1,320 feet from the cemetery located to the west of the property.
4. This conditional use permit shall be for a period of twenty years and will become effective with the adoption of this resolution. This permit is subject to all the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations and the governing powers of the State of Nebraska and shall be constructed to meet both groups.
5. The permit may be transferred to a new owner, provided the Zoning Administrator is notified at least 30 days prior to closing.
6. A zoning permit must be obtained before beginning construction on any buildings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that upon taking effect of this Resolution, the above Conditional Use Permit shall be entered and shown on the Official Zoning Map of Pierce County, previously adopted by reference, and said zoning map is hereby reincorporated as a part of the Pierce County, Nebraska Zoning and Subdivision Resolution as amended.

ADOPTED at Pierce, Nebraska this 8th day of July 2024.

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Tom Kuether, Board Chairman
/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner
/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

David Levy and Matthew Jones with Golden Rod Solar were present to present to the Board a Solar Decommissioning Agreement and Road Use Maintenance Agreement. No decision was made and item will be placed on the July 22, 2024 agenda at 9:11 a.m.

The Pierce County Economic Development (PCED) Board was present and presented an updated Interlocal Agreement to the Pierce County Board of Commissioners. PCED has created a nonprofit 501C6 as a local development corporation due to the withdraw of Pierce County from the current interlocal agreement as of June 30, 2024, which at that time PCED is no longer under the county budget authority as suggested by the state and county auditors. The PCED Board is asking for approval of an updated interlocal agreement which consists of $90,000.00 per year (with an increase each year) in financial support from the County for 2 years beginning July 1, 2024, into said nonprofit, leased office space for $1.00, ownership to all office furniture in the PCED office and all money in the PCED County Fund 2606 at the Pierce County Treasurer. The towns of Pierce, Plainview, Osmond and Hadar would contribute to this said nonprofit $4.00 per resident (followed by an increase each year) for the fall 2024 and $5.00 per resident for fall 2025. No decision was made and item will be placed on the July 22, 2024 agenda at 9:30 a.m.

Motion by Kuether, 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 2024 Pierce County Fair/beer garden and the dates of the events are July 24 thru July 28, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Koehler Bridge.

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: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve Resolution #2024-13 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 - 13

WHEREAS, due to Sections 13-315 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the 2023-2024 Budget includes a transfer of funds from General to Pierce County Economic Development Fund, and

WHEREAS, the 2023-2024 County Budget was balanced by a fund transfer from the General Fund (0100) to the Pierce County Economic Development Fund (2606) for wages and benefits for the PCED Director,

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 for wages and benefits for the PCED Director for the month of June 2024.

General Fund (0100)	$4,676.91	to
Pierce County Economic Development Fund (2606)	$4,676.91	
Total	$4,676.91	

Dated this 8th day of July, 2024

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ Tom Kuether, Board Chairman
/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner
/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the application for Chris Unseld for the under crossing of a county road with a 1" water line approximately 750' east of 539 Ave and undercrossing 857 Rd between Sections 1/12, Township 26 North, Range 4 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to authorize and approve Change Order #2 (increase of $22,763.75 to adjust quantities and new items to as-built conditions) with a new total of $227,245.95, Pay Application #2 (final) for $64,558.75 and the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Pierce West - JEO Project #240852 with Theisen Construction Inc. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize and approve Pay Application #2 (final) for $1,577.00 and the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the 2024 Paint Stripe - JEO Project #24090 with Traffic Solutions Inc. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. 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 2024; approve Treasurer's receipts for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for June 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total

$328,235.01 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: Mark Albin, Atty-court appointed attorney-$1,452.05; Antelope Co Sheriff-jail housing-$440.00; Applied Connective Technologies-IT service-$3,729.20; Joe Aschoff-mtg mileage-$54.54, Bishop Business-supplies-$61.68; Black Hills Energy-utilities-$47.31; Ryan Brodersen-mtg mileage-$70.45; Candlewood Suites Kearney-lodging-$305.90; Carney Law-court appointed attorney-$370.34; Cintas-supplies-$83.65; Comfort Inn-lodging-$359.85; Eagley,Fullner,Montage,Morland-court appointed attorney-$200.48; Guy Ellsworth-mtg mileage-$53.58; Ann Fenton-reimbursed supplies-$192.51; Fitzgerald,Vetter,Temple-court appointed attorney-$1,593.82; Dwaine Hoffman-mtg mileage-$68.85; Gerry Krueger-mtg mileage-$22.08; Bonita Lederer-mtg mileage-$79.85; LexisNexis-law library-$177.00; Madison Natl Life-insurance premiums-$43.36; Magdanz-supplies-$435.74; Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc-scanner rent-$92.00; MidAmerica Admin & Retirement Solutions-HRA contribution for 1st qtr-$16,600.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,789.03; MIPS-hardware/software & website support-$2,837.18; Moyer,Moyer,Lafleur-court appointed attorney-$4,709.17; Tom Nathan-mtg mileage-$79.14; NE NE News Company-ads-$425.19; One Office Solution-supplies-$175.85; Pierce Automotive Supply-repairs-$93.99; Pierce Co. Court-court costs-$367.00; Pierce Co Treasurer-transfer to PCED-$4,676.91; Pierce District Court-court costs-$73.00; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-services-$1,840.47; Prime Stop-gas-$200.40; Quill-office supplies-$523.56; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,136.41; Sanne Repair-repairs-$889.98; Larry Schaefer- mtg mileage- $206.12; Schroeder Land Surveying-services-$660.00; St of NE Adm Serv Central Financing-IT service-$701.95; Terminix Processing Center-services-$107.00; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-$221.24; Tom's Service-gas/repairs-$1,052.60; Weston Torson-reimburse equipment-$138.03; Ryan Zimmerman-mtg mileage-$46.68; Payroll-$64,626.63.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: AKRS Equipment Solutions-repair parts-$12.85; Altwine Hardware & Home-supplies-$5.69; Appeara-service-$100.40; Bazile Aggregate-gravel-$15,493.98; DD Steel-repairs-$21.94; Farmers Pride-diesel-$10,621.06; Filtercare of NE-repairs-$145.70; Heartland Fire Protection-services-$1,352.50; JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineering-$34,096.06; Kayton International-repair parts-$868.83; Kimball Midwest-supplies-$536.83; Magdanz-supplies-$179.99; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc-fuel-$90.16; Meisinger Oil Co-fuel-$4,986.03; Midwest Bank-co share-$2,747.37; North Central PPD-service-$200.68; Northeast Power-services-$254.00; Osmond Farm Supply-diesel-$2,428.80; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-$178.17; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-$1,472.34; Plainview Auto Supply Inc-repair parts-$58.32; Plainview Telephone-services-$96.66; Plainview City-utilities-$86.32; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,351.11; Safety-Kleen Protective Serv.-supplies-$302.50; Theisen Construction-bridge repair-$64,558.75; Tom's Service-gas-$373.07; Traffic Solutions-road improvement-$1,577.000; Truck Center Co-repair parts-$88.75; True AG & Turf-supplies-$413.06; Wattier True Value-supplies-$84.11; West Hodson Lumber & Concrete Co.- crushed concrete-$700.00; Payroll-$37,195.84.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-tech support-$351.12.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: NE Nebraska News Company-publishing-$7.00.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-$341.15; Plainview Telephone-service-$151.00.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Kuether, to go into executive session regarding a possible litigation at 10:35 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Kuether, to come out of executive session regarding a possible litigation at 11:05 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the PCED Interlocal Agreement, solar project and problem roads and bridges

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 11:16 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, July 22, 2024, 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
July 22, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, July 22, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, Clerk of District Court Vickie Prince, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, David Levy, Jim Schmit, Bob Wehrer, Bruce Brester, Michelle Reikofski, Chad Anderson, Jeremy Tarr, John Steinkraus 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 9:10 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of July 8, 2024 were approved as printed.

David Levy with Golden Rod Solar were present to present to the Board a Solar Decommissioning Agreement and Road Use Maintenance Agreement.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the presented Solar Decommissioning Agreement and Road Use Maintenance Agreement. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the 2024 Inventories for all county offices and the road departments as submitted except the Pierce County Economic Development Inventory which has not yet been submitted. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the approval of the resolution and employment agreements allowing county board members to receive an hourly rate for roadwork for fiscal year 2024/2025.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-14 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2024-14

WHEREAS, the Nebraska legislature has enacted and the Governor has signed legislation relative to the interest of County officers in public contracts, and

WHEREAS, members of the County Board of Commissioners on occasion engage in work for the County beyond their duties and responsibilities as County Commissioners for which they will receive a direct pecuniary fee or commission as a result of such work, and

WHEREAS, members of the Pierce County Board of Commissioners wish to enter into a contract with Pierce County to provide such services for the 2024/2025 fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, that:

1. Any board member may enter into a contract with Pierce County during the 2024/2025 fiscal year for the furnishing of services beyond the statutory responsibilities and duties as County Commissioner.
2. Such commissioner entering into such agreement shall comply with the statutes relating to interest in public contracts, Section 49-14, 103.01, et seq.

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ Tom Kuether, District #1 Commissioner
/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner
/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 Commissioner
ATTEST: /s/ Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the 2024/2025 employment contracts between Pierce County and Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson, allowing County Board member to receive an hourly rate of $17.00 an hour, not to exceed $17.00 for roadwork. Dated this 22nd day of July, 2024 and whereas the original is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Work was done on the 24/25 fiscal year budget.

Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr was present and discussion was held on the Distress Warrant Report to be submitted by County Sheriff to County Treasurer by August 1. The 18 Distress Warrants were submitted to Treasurer by the Sheriff and 3 are still outstanding and needing to be collected. The Board unanimously approved the submitted Distress Warrant Report.

The Pierce County Economic Development (PCED) Board were present and counter offered to the last offer given by the County Board for the updated Interlocal Agreement. PCED is in the process of creating a nonprofit 501C6 as a local development corporation due to the withdraw of Pierce County from the current interlocal agreement as of June 30, 2024, which at that time PCED is no longer under the county budget authority as suggested by the state and county auditors. The PCED Board was still asking for approval of an updated interlocal agreement which consisted of $90,000.00 per year (with an increase each year) in financial support from the County for 2 years beginning July 1, 2024, into said nonprofit, leased office space for $1.00, ownership to all office furniture in the PCED office and all money in the PCED County Fund #2606 at the Pierce County Treasurer. The towns of Pierce, Plainview, Osmond and Hadar would contribute to this said nonprofit $4.00 per resident (followed by an increase each year) for the fall 2024 and $5.00 per resident for fall 2025. The County Board offered $4.00 per county resident (7317 x $4=$29,268) plus an additional $30,000 with a total of $59,268. PCED asked for an additional $8,500 to pay for office rent if they would move from the courthouse.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Pierce County Economic Development Interlocal with the changes PCED has requested and brought forth at today's board meeting. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

County Attorney Ted Lohrberg will make the changes to the PCED Interlocal Agreement as agreed upon at today's meeting and send out to all entities for signing and approval.

Motion by Kuether, seconded by Martinson, 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 with the exception of $73,598.42 for the reimbursement claim submitted by Dean Koehler, as Pierce County Board only approves Summit Contracting ($886.15) and NE Land Tiling LLC ($5,837.50). Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Mark Albin-court appointed attorney-$541.50; BC/BS of NE-health insurance-$59,695.60; Cintas-supplies-$143.72; Classic Carpet Care-service-$226.23; Consolidated Management Co-meals-$103.90; CVSOAN-registration-$60.00; Dollar General-supplies-$27.50; Eakes Office Solutions-supplies-$302.06; Ann Fenton-reimbursed supplies-$21.39; FP Finance-meter rent-$180.09; Jennifer Funston-reimbursed travel-$166.16; GBE-audit services-$2,500.00; Government Forms & Supplies-supplies-$236.00; Jenkins Electric-repairs-$1,369.43; Johnson's Inc-repairs-$1,847.12; Kate Jorgensen-public defender & court appt counsel-$4,966.08; Madison Co District Court-filing fees-$100.00; Madison Co Sheriff-paper service-$59.80; Joshua Mattson-repairs-$150.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,823.68; NE NE Juvenile Services-yearly assessment-$1,820.25; NE NE Health & Human services-boarding-$90.00; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$181.89; Pierce County Leader-publishing-$481.88; Pierce County Treasurer-interest-$75.00; City of Pierce-utilities-$2,015.65; Plainview News-publishing-$199.63; Police Officer's Assn-supplies-$78.00; Prime Stop-gas-$391.63; Quill-office supplies-$341.50; Region IV-services-$2,340.25; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,221.60; Schroeder Land Surveying-service-$2,000.00; Robert Seegebarth-prior service-$33.00; State of NE-computer service-$46.00; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$296.57; Tom's Service-gas & repairs-$512.38; Verizon Wireless-service-$425.75; VISA-supplies-$129.44; Western Oil Inc-gas-$355.71; Payroll-$65,079.79 - As per statute SS 23-122: 3 County Commissioners-$3,380.00/Mo.; 4 County Officials-$5,633.33/Mo.; 1 County Deputy-$4,506.67/Mo.; 2 County Deputies-$4,225.00/Mo.; 1 County Deputy-$3,774.33/Mo.; 1 County Official-$6,604.17Mo.; 1 County Official-$6,166.67/Mo.; 1 Sheriff's Deputy-$31.23/Hr.; 1 Sheriff's Deputy-$29.34/Hr.; 1 Sheriff's Deputy-$27.77/Hr.; 1 Sheriff's Deputy-$26.67/Hr.; 1 Veteran's Service Officer-$19.00/hr; 1 FT Custodian-$19.25/hr; 1 PT Custodian-$19.50/hr; 1 PT Custodian-$19.00/hr; 1 FT Clerical-$24.00/hr; 1 FT Clerical-$21.00/hr; 2 FT Clerical-$19.00/hr; 1 FT Clerical-$18.50/hr; 1 FT Clerical-$17.53/hr; 1 FT Clerical-$16.25/hr; 1 FT Clerical-$15.25/hr; 1 PT Clerical-$21.00/hr; 1 PT Clerical-$17.00/hr; 1 PT Clerical-$12.75/hr; 1 FT Dispatcher-$21.25/hr; 2 FT Dispatcher-$20.00/hr; 1 FT Dispatcher-$18.00/hr; 1 PT Dispatcher-$22.00/hr; 1 PT Dispatcher-$20.50/hr;.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$84,102.78; Bazille Aggregate Co LLC-gravel-$3,715.09; Black Hills Energy-utilities-$44.98; Chad's Tire Service-tires & repairs-$3,761.32; Cintas-supplies-$199.31; Classic Carpet Care-service-$199.65; Cornhusker International Truck-repairs-$1,250.11; Fastwyre-telephone-$111.44;Heartland Fire Protection Co-service-$1,277.90; Jebro-oil mix-$12,122.41; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$38.10; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-$525.17; McLean-utilities-$76.05; Meisinger Oil-diesel-$6,496.34; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,779.87; Nebraska Weed Control-dues-$150.00; NMC Exchange-repair parts-$628.32; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$564.25; Overhead Door-repairs-$1,225.50; City of Pierce-utilities-$184.74; Randolph Farm Supply-diesel & gas-$5,784.49; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,373.22; Steinkraus Service-gas & supplies-$1,133.40; Tom's Service-gas $395.46; True Ag & Turf-repair parts-$523.41; Wattier True Value Hardware-supplies-$5.59; Weldon Parts-repair parts-$976.83; Western Oil-gasoline-$215.00; Payroll-$37,620.61 - As per statute SS 23-122: 1 PT Co. Hwy. Supt.-$100.00/Mo.; 1 FT Mechanic-$30.00/hr; 7 FT Road Workers-$24.85/hr; 1 FT Road Worker-$23.85/hr; 6 FT Road Worker-$22.75/hr; 3 FT Road Workers-$17.00/hr; 1 PT Weed Supervisor-$22.00/hr; 1 PT Weed Sprayer-$19.00/hr; 1 PT Weed Sprayer-$15.45/hr; 1 Bridge Inspector-$125.00/bridge.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: St of NE Adm Central Financing-computer expense-$150.00.

FEDERAL AID-ROADS FUND: Theisen Construction-bridge repair-$6,500.00.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Pierce Co Leader-ads-$8.00; Plainview News-ads-$9.27.

911 SERVICES FUND: GeoComm-GIS maintenance-$4,869.00.

911 WIRELESS FUND: OPTK Networks-internet IT-$529.40; City of Norfolk-cost share 911-$149.12.

COURTHOUSE & JAIL SINKING FUND: Jenkins Electric-repairs on lighting-$10,000.00.

INHERITANCE FUND: Dean Koehler-well repairs-$6,723.65.

The County Board did the courthouse and jail inspection and all three returned.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:25 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, August 5, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
August 5, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, August 5, 2024, at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present: Brad Albers and Carl Martinson; Tom Kuether was absent. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Mike Pommer, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald, John Steinkraus, Dewey Gubbels and News Reporter Randee Falter were present.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to appoint Carl Martinson as Chairman Pro Tem due to the absence of Chairman Tom Kuether. 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 Martinson called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M. and presided. Chairman Pro Tem Martinson 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of July 22, 2024 were approved as printed.

Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was present and discussion was held on the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan for fiscal year 24/25.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the 1 & 6 Year Public Hearing to be Monday, October 14, 2024 at 9:11 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The legal was read for the 9:20 a.m. public hearing to receive public comments concerning the application of Dewey Gubbels for semi-truck parking for employees on property located in pt of the NW ¼ of the SE ¼, Tax Lot 3, 28-26-1.

Chairman Pro Tem Martinson opened the hearing at 9:27 a.m. Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter and Dewey Gubbels were present and answered questions the Board had on the application for the semi-truck parking lot application. There were no written comments or objections and no one from the public was present for the hearing. Chairman Pro Tem Martinson closed the hearing at 9:29 a.m.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-15 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 - 15

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR CERTAIN LAND LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF PIERCE, NEBRASKA UNDER AUTHORITY GRANTED BY THE PIERCE COUNTY ZONING AND SUBDIVISION RESOLUTION AND LEGISLATIVE BILL 186 (1978)

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Planning Commission and the Pierce County Board of Commissioners, having given proper notice and holding public hearings as provided by law and under the authority of and subject to the provision the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision Resolution and Legislative Bill 186 (1978).

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Planning Commission and the Pierce County Board of Commissioners have established the following Statement of Finding of Facts for the Conditional Use Permit application:

1. The property is zoned A-1 Agricultural Intensive.
2. The building will be used as parking for applicant owned semis on as needed basis.
3. The application is consistent with the Pierce County Comprehensive Plan and with the Pierce County

Zoning and Subdivision Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, hereby grants a Conditional Use Permit to Dewey Gubbels for semi-truck parking for employees under Section 402,"A-1" Primary Agricultural District, Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision Resolution, on the following described land:

Part of the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ T.L.3 Section 28, Township 26 North, Range 1 West of the 6th P.M, Pierce County, better described as:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:
The Southeast Quarter of Section 28, Township 26 North, Range 1 West of the 6th P.M., Pierce County, Nebraska, less a tract more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the South Quarter Corner of said Section 28; thence N1°24'E, assuming the South section line to bear N90°00'W, 33.0 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing N1°24'E 1315.9 feet; thence N90°00'E 684.4 feet; thence N0°00'E 41.0 feet; thence N89°05'E 312.8 feet; thence S0°00'E 46.0 feet; thence N90°00'E 318.7 feet; thence S1°24'W 1315.9 feet to a point 33.0 feet North of section line; thence N90°00'W 1315.9 feet to the point of beginning and containing 40.05 acres more or less, also described as Tax Lot 3 and Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28, Township 26 North, Range 1 West of the 6th P.M., Pierce County, Nebraska, consisting of 114.77 acres more or less.

This Conditional Use Permit shall be subject to the following conditions in addition to those established with the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision regulations:

1. This is a Conditional Use Permit to allow employees to park semis in the applicant owned building.
2. This Conditional Use Permit shall be for a period of ten (10) years from the date of this resolution and will be renewed automatically pending no verifiable complaints.
3. If at a future time the owner wants to expand to repairs or offer truck parking to non-employees, the Conditional Use Permit must be amended to include additional use.
4. A zoning permit must be approved by the zoning administrator prior to the construction of the building on the property.
5. This permit is subject to all the Pierce County Zoning and Subdivision Regulations and the governing powers of the State of Nebraska and shall be constructed to meet both groups.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that upon taking effect of this Resolution, the above Conditional Use Permit shall be entered and shown on the Official Zoning Map of Pierce County, previously adopted by reference, and said zoning map is hereby reincorporated as a part of the Pierce County, Nebraska Zoning and Subdivision Resolution as amended.

ADOPTED at Pierce, Nebraska on this 5th day of August 2024.

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner
/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 Commissioner & Chairman Pro Tem
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: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Deputy County Clerk Susan Peters and Accountant Mike Pommer were present and discussion was held on the 24/25 fiscal year budget and on the levy allocations for the subdivisions. The levy allocation for the subdivisions will be approved on Monday, August 19, 2024 at the 9:10 a.m. at commissioner meeting because no valuations from the Assessors have been received yet.

Discussion was held on the postcard budget hearing date and Clerk Wragge has tentatively set the public hearing for Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 6:15 p.m. at the Plainview Public Library.

Discussion was held on the Dean Koehler well damage from vibration of pile driving by Dixon Construction Co on the Osmond South JEO Bridge Project 211903. He had submitted 5 bills for the damages for the Board to review and County Board approved to pay the damage only caused by the county.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of 2 special designated liquor licenses for Pierce American Legion Tomek Post 72, for events on Saturday, Sept. 7, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. and on Saturday, Sept. 21, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., both at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the 2024 Inventory for Pierce County Economic Development. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the MG Waldbaum Lot Split in pt of NW ¼ NW ¼ Section 6, Township 27 North, Range 3 West, Pierce Co. NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson; Kuether absent. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve 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: Bishop Business-supplies-$734.32; Black Hills Energy-utilities-$46.21; Cintas-supplies-$63.66; Ann Fenton-reimburse travel, supplies-$55.54; Jack's Uniforms-uniforms-$107.94; Caitlin Macke-reimburse travel-$166.16; Microfilm Imaging Systems-equipment rent-$46.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,918.91; Nebraska Law Enforcement-training-$630.00; Osmond Republican-subscription-$51.00; Pierce Chamber of Commerce-dues-$75.00; Prime Stop-gas-$226.98; Quill-supplies-$56.85; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,301.56; State of NE Central Finance-computer network service-$701.95; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$388.15; Tom's Service-gas-$541.68; Waldner Woods-service-$1,950.00; Payroll-$66,295.92.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: B's Enterprises-blades, signs-$4,054.00; Colonial Research-supplies-$878.76; Cornhusker International Trucks-repairs-$11,173.21; Farmers Pride-diesel-$6,926.75; JEO Consulting-engineering-$5,161.25; Lammers Trailer Repair-repairs-$462.48; Lawson Products-supplies-$285.96; Matteo Sand & Gravel-gravel-$18,871.40; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$3,931.04; Midwest Bank-co share-$2,791.85; Northeast Glass-repairs-$150.00; NE Power-service-$254.00; Osmond Farm Service-diesel-$2,430.65; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-$103.97; Prince Auto Repair-repairs-$132.77; RDO Truck Centers-repair parts-$272.03; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,397.60; Safety-Kleen-service-$670.82; Tom's Service-gas-$472.07; True AG & Turf-repairs-$1,989.48; Wattier True Value-repair parts-$41.08; West-Hodson Lumber & Concrete-crushed concrete-$1,330.50; Payroll-$37,777.37.

There being no further business, Chairman Pro Tem Martinson adjourned the meeting at 9:51 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, August 19, 2024 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/ Carl Martinson
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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
August 19, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, August 19, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Clerk of District Court Vickie Prince, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Deputy Co. Clerk Susan Peters, Mike Pommer, Bruce, Zimmerman, Crystal Hestekind, Candace Downey, Bob Lowe, Staci Gaes, Adam Venteicher, Dale Clipston, John Steinkraus, Michelle Reikofski 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 9:10 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of August 5, 2024 were approved as printed.

Discussion was held on levy allocation for the fire districts and agricultural society. The Board stated that since they tried to keep a 4% increase for the County Offices and Road Fund Budgets, they should follow suit with the levy allocations for the Ag Society and Fire Districts. The MFO agreement between the county fire districts states all parties agreed to a levy of .260 mill so therefore that is the max levy the County Board can approve for the fire districts and statute states that rural MFO fire districts need that same levy 1 in 3 years. The first year of the MFO for the county rural fire districts was 22/23 FY which had different levies and the 23/24 FY the levy was kept the same therefore the 24/25 FY can have different levies.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution 2024-16 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2024 - 16

WHEREAS, Nebraska State Statute 77-3443(3) requires all political subdivisions subject to county levy authority to submit a preliminary request for levy allocation to the county board; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Board of Commissioners is the levy authority for the following Fire District Subdivisions in Pierce County,

WHEREAS, all Fire Districts are given not more than 3.5 cents of the County's 15 cents for miscellaneous political subdivisions (per $100 of valuation);

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Pierce County Board of Commissioners/Board of Equalization that the tax allocation for the following subdivisions for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year be limited to and is approved as follows:

SUBDIVISION	**FUND**	**REQUEST**	**APPROVED**	**LEVY**
Pierce Rural Fire	General	$154,351.00	$158,152.00	2.2818 cents
Plainview Rural Fire	General/Sinking	$156,487.10	$147,951.00	2.3082 cents
Osmond Rural Fire	General	$147,902.70	$139,835.00	2.2434 cents
Hadar Rural Fire	General	$42,955.00	$44,673.00	2.3223 cents

Dated this 19th day of August, 2024, at Pierce County, Nebraska.
Chairman of the Board of Equalization
/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman
/s/ Brad Albers
/s/ Carl Martinson
ATTEST: /s/ Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk
Whereas the original is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-17 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 - 17

WHEREAS, Nebraska State Statute 77-3443(3) requires all political subdivisions subject to county levy authority to submit a preliminary request for levy allocation to the county board; and

WHEREAS, the Pierce County Board of Commissioners is the levy authority for the Pierce County Agricultural Society Subdivision in Pierce County,

WHEREAS, the Ag Society is to be given not more than 3.5 cents of the County's 15 cents for miscellaneous political subdivisions and may be given an additional 3.5 cents for capital construction and maintenance of county fairgrounds per Nebraska State Statutes 2-257 and 2-259 (per $100 of valuation);

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Pierce County Board of Commissioners/Board of Equalization that the tax allocation for the following subdivision for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year be limited to .4820 cents for General is approved as follows:

SUBDIVISION	FUND	REQUEST	APPROVED
Pierce County Ag. Society	General	$167.000.00	$128,754.00

Dated this 19th day of August, 2024, at Pierce County, Nebraska.
Chairman of the Board of Equalization
/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman
/s/ Brad Albers
/s/ Carl Martinson
ATTEST: /s/ Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk
Whereas the original is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Mike Pommer discussed with the County Board the 24/25 FY budget request and the budget hearings. Because of the possible legislative changes coming for 2025/2026 FY for the counties the board decided to keep the levy the same as last year and to add additional money to cash reserve and road bridge for 24/25 FY. The County will have to be part of the joint public budget meeting planned for Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2024 at 6:15 p.m. at the Plainview Public Library meeting room.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to Authorize Clerk to advertise and set the county public hearing date for Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. to receive input regarding 2024-2025 fiscal year budget, followed by a second public hearing at 11:15 a.m. for the adoption of property tax at an amount different than prior fiscal year (per SS 148). Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

District 7 Probation Chief Crystal Hestekind and staff Candace Downey, Bob Lowe, Staci Gaes were present to introduce themselves and give updates on the District 7 Probation office.

Discussion was held on the 1 & 6 Year Rd Plan.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to change and approve the 1 & 6 Year Public Hearing to be Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at 9:11 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Heather McWhorter and Bruce Zimmerman were present and answered questions the Board had on the Ashker Lot Split.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the Ashker Lot Split in pt of the W ½ Section 35, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, Pierce Co. NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Adam Venteicher was present to discuss the line between Sections 2/1 in Blaine Township (T25N-R3W). Venteicher needs to place a tube on his property for water flow so he can access his property to the north of creek. The County Board cannot give approval because the tube will be placed on private property and 545 Ave has never existed in the county records therefore Venteicher will only need approval from the Corp of Engineers or NRD.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Rick Eberhardt, County Sheriff, for May & June 2024; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for July 2024; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for July 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $322,653.07 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: Antelope Co Sheriff-inmate housing-$160.00; Applied Connective Technologies-IT services-$6,284.73; BCBS of NE-premiums-$56,080.67; Bishop Business-supplies-$51.36; Classic Rentals-service-$335.81; Dollar General-jail supplies-$3.50; FP Finance Program-lease postage meter-$180.09; Kate M. Jorgensen PC LLO-public defender-$4,583.33; Kuether Ranch-remodeling-$200.00; LexisNexis-software-$177.00; Madison County Clerk-30% of Zoning costs for 23/24 FY-$62,807.45; Magdanz Inc-supplies-$471.25; Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc-scanner rent-$46.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,710.85; MIPS-Website, software & support-$2,837.18; NACO-registration-$180.00; NE NE News Co-publication costs-$929.07; NE State Treasurer Unclaimed Property-outstanding checks-$1,142.59; POAN Law Enforcement Conference-registration-$245.00; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$166.84; Pierce County Court-court costs-$250.50; Pierce County Leader-publishing costs-$559.88; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner medical-$39.31; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-$1,920.90; Plainview News-publishing costs-$350.32; Prime Stop-gas-$290.14; Prince Auto Repair Inc-repairs-$73.42; Quill-supplies-$91.97; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,114.99; Schroeder Land Surveying-surveying-$205.00; State of NE Central Finance-computer network service-$46.00; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$369.78; Tom's Service-gas & repairs-$305.74; Verizon-telephone-$427.04; VISA-supplies-$65.71; Western Oil Inc-gas-$264.92; Payroll-$63,588.71.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: AKRS-repair parts-$12.85; Alpha Workforce Health-testing-$77.00; Altwine Hardware & Home LLC-supplies-$44.99; Appeara-service-$125.50; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$95,501.95; Bauer Built Inc-repair parts-$3,131.70; Bazile Aggregate Co LLC-gravel-$9,501.90; Black Hills Energy-service-$46.01; Chad's Tire Service-repairs-$286.65; CHI Health Co Care-testing-$84.00; Classic Rentals-service-$266.38; Cornhusker Intl Trucks-repairs-$334.18; Culligan of Norfolk-supplies-$5.00; Dd Steel-supplies-$82.19; Fastwyre Broadband-service-$111.44; Filtercare of NE-

repairs-$218.45; Heartland Fire Protection Co-service-$663.10; Jerry's Hilltop-gas-$53.00; Lawson Products-supplies-$304.92; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$67.05; Lorenz Automotive-repair parts-$578.55; Magdanz Inc-supplies-$92.18; Matheson Tri Gas Inc-gas-$104.86; McLean Village-utilities-$72.45; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$7.873.22; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,854.30; NACO-registration-$30.00; NE State Treasurer Unclaimed Property-outstanding checks-$954.00; NE Machinery Co-repair parts-$346.16; North Central Public Power-utilities-$197.32; Osmond Farm Supply Center Inc-diesel-$2,571.15; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$218.25; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-service-$177.10; Plainview Telephone Co Inc-service-$97.14; Plainview City-utilities-$85.45; Power Plan-repair parts-$5,358.03; R & D Welding-repairs-$168.22; Randolph Farm Supply-diesel & gas-$3,848.02; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,457.32; Sapp Bros Norfolk-supplies-$138.25; Steinkraus Service-gas-$763.60; Tom's Service-gas-$258.31; Top Gear Farms LLC-freight-$114,310.00; True Ag & Turf-repair parts-$49.63; Wattier True Value-repair parts-$5.59; Weldon Parts Inc-repair parts-$27.93; Western Oil Inc-gas-$511.38; Payroll-$38,593.51.

VISITOR PROMOTION FUND: NE State Treasurer Unclaimed Property-outstanding checks-$500.00.

INHERITANCE TAX FUND: NE State Treasurer Unclaimed Property-outstanding checks-$30.00; North Central District Health Dept-Miles of Smiles-$3,220.00.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-IT service-$351.12; State of NE Central Finance-computer network service-$150.00.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: NE NE News Co-publication costs-$51.00; Pierce County Leader-publication costs-$8.00; Plainview News Inc-publication costs-$9.82.

E911 FUND: Geocomm-mapping-$1,101.97; NE State Treasurer Unclaimed Property-outstanding checks-$43.50; Optk Networks-service-$529.40.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: NE State Treasurer Unclaimed Property-outstanding checks-$91.36; City of Norfolk-911 service cost share-$149.12; Pierce Telephone Co Inc-911 service-$341.15; Plainview Telephone Co Inc-911 service-$151.00.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:10 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
September 3, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Mark Sanders, Darla Sanders, Sue Buckley, John Steinkraus 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 9:10 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 and minutes. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of August 19, 2024 were approved as printed.

Mark & Darla Sanders were present to visit with the Board about a bridge on 857 Rd between 552/553 Ave that has been closed since the 2019 flooding and they want to know a timeline for the repairs. Commissioner Albers will have the Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald look at bridge and let the Sanders know so they can be present for this discussion.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize the Board Chairman to sign the 2024/2025 Fiscal Year Interlocal Agreements pursuant to the Nebraska Interlocal Cooperation Act, found at Neb. Rev. SS 13-801, between Pierce County and the following for levy allocation and support pursuant to Neb. Rev. SS 77-3442(8): Pierce City, Plainview City, Osmond City, Pierce County Agricultural Society, Pierce Rural Fire, Plainview Rural Fire, Osmond Rural Fire and Hadar Rural Fire. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter was present and presented the Rebecca S Fletcher's Lot Split for approval.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the Rebecca S Fletcher's Lot Split 6.93 acres in pt of the SE ¼ NE ¼ Section 13, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, Pierce Co. NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Sheriffs' Office employee Sue Buckley asked about getting double pay when working holidays. Item will be placed on the September 16, 2024 agenda.

Discussion was held on the hourly pay of road workers and problem roads.

Discussion was held on installing panic buttons in the HHSS Child Protection office by IT Applied Connective and whom should pay the installation and monthly fee. Board directed Clerk Wragge to ask State HHSS if they would pay the $186/per computer to have panic buttons installed and then the County would pay the $8/computer/month.

The County Board did the courthouse and jail inspection and all three returned.

Application for County Burial 2024-1 was not submitted by applicant.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, 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 attorney-$452.35; Black Hills Energy-utilities-$44.94; Cintas-supplies-$50.15; Egley,Fullner,Montag,Morland,Easland PC-court appointed attorney-$1,182.90; Faith Regional Health Services-prisoner medical-$6,700.00; Fitzgerald, Vetter & Temple-court appointed attorney-$2,689.64; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment-supplies-$16.99; Jenkins Electric Inc-repairs-$2,100.72; Microfilming Imaging Systems Inc-scanner rent-$46.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,766.33; NACO-registration-$40.00; Pierce City-utilities-$2,168.09; Prime Stop-gas-$35.94; Quill-supplies-$188.59; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,163.83; Rice's Body Shop-repairs-$1,000.00; Security Shredding Services-service-$120.00; State of NE Central Finance-computer network service-$701.95; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$382.17; Tom's Service-gas & repairs-$784.24; Payroll-$64,309.28.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: B's Enterprises Inc-signs & culverts-$8,110.00; Bazile Aggregate Co-gravel-$4,235.27; Bomgaars-supplies-$774.58; Cintas-supplies-$140.73; Farmers Pride-diesel-$6,310.18; Heartland Fire Protection Co-inspections-$625.80; Holiday Inn, Kearney-lodging-$269.90; JEO Consulting-engineering-$7,300.00; Kimball Midwest-shop supplies-$581.55; Meisinger Oil Co-oil-$4,048.05; Midwest Bank-co share-$2,758.58; NE Power-utilities-$283.00; Pierce City-utilities-$198.98; Pomp's Tire Service Inc-repairs-$8,188.76; RDO Truck Centers-repair parts-$442.81; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,373.52; Road Builders-repair parts-$630.00; Safety Kleen Systems Inc-repairs-$567.72; Tom's Service-gas-$455.40; True Ag & Turf-repairs & repair parts-$24,079.77; Wattier True Value-repair parts-$153.30; Payroll-$37,342.72.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Golden Shovel-economic development website design, development & gatekeeper service-$18,128.00.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:10 A.M. and will meet at a budget hearing presentation meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 11:00 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
September 3, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 11:00 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Deputy County Clerk Susan Peters, John Steinkraus and Accountant Mike Pommer 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 11:00 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

Chairman Kuether opened the 11:00 A.M. 2024/2025 Fiscal Year Budget Hearing at 11:01 a.m. for the Presentation of the Budget Summary to set the Tax Request different than prior fiscal year. Accountant Mike Pommer presented the 2024/2025 FY budget to the Board and all those present and discussion was held on the budget and valuation. There were no written comments for or against the 2024/2025 FY budget. Chairman Kuether closed the hearing at 11:04 a.m.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 11:05 A.M. and will meet at a budget hearing meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 11:15 A.M. or immediately following the close of the Tax Request Public hearing 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
September 3, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 11:15 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Deputy Co. Clerk Susan Peters and John Steinkraus 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 11:15 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.

Chairman Kuether opened the 11:15 A.M. 2024/2025 Fiscal Year Budget Hearing at 11:16 a.m. for the Approval and Final Setting of the Tax Request. Discussion was held on the presented 2024/2025 FY budget. There were no written comments for or against the 2024/2025 FY budget. Chairman Kuether closed the hearing at 11:17 a.m.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve and adopt the 2024-2025 FY Pierce County Budget as submitted, approve an additional 1% increase in restricted funds authority and approve Resolution #2024-18 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 – 18

SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST 2024/2025 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised State Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of the County of Pierce passes by a majority vote a resolution setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County of Pierce that the property tax request for the current year be a different amount than the property tax request for the prior year.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of the County of Pierce, by a majority vote, resolves that:

1. The 2024-2025 property tax request be set at $5,075,000.00.
2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 18%
3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be .166231 per $100 of assessed value
4. The County of Pierce proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be $0.190005 per $100 of assessed value
5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of County of Pierce will decrease last years by 10%
6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before September 30, 2024.

*Does not apply to miscellaneous subdivisions that request levy authority from a county or municipality.

NOTE: The Property Tax Request per the Budget Document is reported in total. If you need separate levies for separate funds your resolution should identify the tax request by fund.

Dated this 3rd day of September, 2024.
PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman
/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner
/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 11:20 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, September 16, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
September 16, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, September 16, 2024 at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, EMS Bobbi Risor, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald, Deputy Sheriff Jacob Wostrel, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Dean Koehler, Sue Buckley, Michelle Reikofski 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 9:10 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to amend the agenda to add Holiday Pay. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the agenda and minutes. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of September 3, 2024 were approved as printed.

Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was present and discussion was held on the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Clerk Wragge has been authorized to advertise for the 1 & 6 Year Rd Plan for 24/25 FY with a hearing date planned for Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at 9:11 a.m.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize Chairman Kuether and Hwy Supt. McDonald to sign, approve and adopt Resolution #2024-19, the County Annual Certification of Program Compliance Form for 2024 for Public Roads Classifications & Standards. Whereas the original is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Dean Koehler was present and discussion was held on the damage to his well during the work done by Dixon Construction Co for the Osmond South-JEO Project 211903. County has reimbursed Koehler $6,723.65 for damage caused by the county.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of 3 special designated liquor licenses for Pierce American Legion for events at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion on Saturdays of October 5 & 12 and November 2, 2024 fall from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a special designated liquor license for Off Road Ranch LLC for an event at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion on Saturday October 19, 2024 fall from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr was present and discussion held on the Distress Warrant Report which was submitted by County Sheriff, the list of past delinquent taxes and asked for authorization to have a county tax sale and to strike property taxes from the active list.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-20, a request for permission to proceed with a County Tax Sales on the delinquent real estate taxes listed for real estate property taxes from the active list, as follows:

RESOLUTION #2024-20

PARCEL #	NAME	YEARS DELINQUENT	AMOUNT(Principal Only)
700009562	Joe Grof/Paul Blanchard	2017-2023	$150.94
700009590	Michael R. Kuhl	2021-2023	$75.18
700009597	Michael R. Kuhl	2021-2023	$779.64
700004333	Norris G. Leamer	2021-2023	$177.90
ADD SUBSEQUENT TAXES TO EXISTING COUNTY TAX SALES			
700006797	Dawn M. Howard	2015-2023	$649.24
700009555	Pinnacle Telemarketing	2017-2023	$2,684.54
700035782	Krista Schluns	2019-2023	$559.88
700013887	James Schmit/Express Funding	2015-2023	$1,349.84

SIGNED, PASSED and ADOPTED: September 16, 2024, at Pierce, Pierce County, Nebraska.
/s/ Tom Kuether, Board Chairman
/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner
/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 Commissioner
ATTEST: /s/ Shannon Wragge, Pierce County Clerk
Whereas the originals are on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on signing of the Interlocal Agreement with Pierce County Economic Development. Signing of interlocal was tabled until the By-Laws of the newly formed Pierce County Economic Development Nonprofit have been produced and submitted to the County as was stated at the July 22, 2024 County Board Meeting.

Discussion was held on Holiday Pay for county employees.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to update the Pierce County Employee Handbook to state that if an employee works a Holiday the employee shall receive paid for hours worked and paid for Holiday Pay. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Rick Eberhardt, County Sheriff for May, June and July 2024; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for August 2024; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for August 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $322,653.07 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 attorney-$3,670.06; Applied Connective Technologies-IT service-$3,571.60; Avera Medical Group-employee physical-$150.00; Bishop Business-supplies-$57.22; BCBS-health premiums-$55,070.94; Cintas-supplies-$76.59; Classic Rentals-service-$280.47; Dollar General-supplies-$37.90; Faith Regional Physician Services-prisoner medical-$273.00; Ann Fenton-reimbursed travel-$223.77; FP Finance Program-meter rent-$154.09; GBE-audit services-$3,000.00; Kim Huwaldt-mileage-$28.76; Jack's Uniforms-uniform serviced-$299.84; Jenkins Electric-repairs-$743.33; Johnson's-repairs-$198.20; Billy Joe Koeppe-mileage-$22.06; Mary Kruger-mileage-$420.72; LexisNexis-law library-$186.00; Ted Lohrberg-reimbursed travel-$422.91; Magdanz-supplies-$202.83; Heather McWhorter-reimbursed supplies-$100.00; Microfilm Imaging Systems-scanning rent-$92.00; MidAmerica-HRA 2nd quarter fees-$384.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,801.19; MIPS-IT service-$2,837.18; NE NE News-ads-$51.00; NE Health and Human Services-July & August housing-$186.00; NE Wind & Solar- registration-$175.00; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$249.92; Pierce Auto Repair-repairs-$2,648.34; Pierce Co Court-court costs-$247.00; Pierce Co Leader-ads-$1,755.38; Pierce Co Petty Cash-expense reimbursement-$278.96; Pierce District Court-court costs-$223.00; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner meds-$269.45; Pierce Telephone-service-$1,837.37; Pommer Accounting LLC-services-$2,800.00; Prime Stop-gas-$29.19; Vickie Prince-reimbursed travel & supplies-$378.72; Protex Central Inc-inspections-$270.00; Quill-supplies-$304.27; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,222.36; Schindler Elevator Corp-inspection-$1,839.72; Steinkraus Service-gas-$115.50; Melinda Stelling-mileage-$12.68; Straton,DeLay,Doele,Carlson-court appointed attorney-$3,592.31; Terminex Processing-service-$107.00; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$268.68; Tom's Service-gas-$254.61; Verizon-service-$426.11; Visa-postage-$18.45; Western Oil LLC-gas-$408.95; Payroll-$64,765.13.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: A&R Construction-road repairs-$13,000.00; Allstar Parts-repair parts-$297.78; Altwine Hardware-supplies-$34.99; Appeara-uniforms-$100.40; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$52,367.16; Bazile Aggregate Co-gravel-$8,076.41; Carlson Home & Auto-propane-$1,153.60; Chad's Tire Service-tires and repairs-$668.98; Cintas-supplies-$115.03; Classic Rentals-service-$176.86; Fastwyre-service-$113.04; Filtercare of NE-services-$118.50; Steve Gathman-reimbursed postage-$73.00; Lawson Products-supplies-$205.29; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$615.76; Magdanz-supplies-$24.44; Matheson Tri-Gas-supplies-$104.86; Matteo Sand & Gravel-gravel-$325.60; McLean Village-water, sewer, garbage-$76.50; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$2,888.29; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,828.57; Mitch's Food Center-supplies-$26.04; NE NE News Co-ads-$106.88; NMC Cat-repair parts-$8,421.64; North Central Public Power-utilities-$246.28; Osmond Farm Supply-diesel-$2,543.75; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$482.52; Overhead Door-repair-$4,580.00; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-$302.91; Pierce Co Leader-ads-$132.00; Pierce Telephone-service-$172.01; Plainview Telephone-service-$96.82; City of Plainview-utilities-$84.82; Randolph Farm Supply-gas & diesel-$3,131.51; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,432.20; Steinkraus Service-gas-$357.45; Tom's Service-$308.01; True Ag & Turf-repair parts-$217.07; Wattier True Value Hardware-supplies-$58.57; West Hodson Lumber-crushed concrete-$7,265.00; Western Oil-gas-$241.76; Payroll-$38,257.75.

E911 FUND: Northeast Community College-training-$400.00; OPTK Networks-monthly 911 internet-$529.40.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: Pierce Telephone-service-$341.09; Plainview Telephone-service-$151.00

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-IT service-$351.12.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:38 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, September 30, 2024 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 l0 working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that any news media requesting notification concerning said

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/s/ Shannon Wragge
Pierce County Clerk

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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
September 30, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, September 30, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Michelle Reikofski, Brad Lockee, Laura Lockee, Jim Maas, Matt Stelling, Lacy Stelling, John Steinkraus, Deb Borg, Sue Buckley 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 9:10 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 and minutes. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of September 16, 2024 were approved as printed.

Debbi Borg with Pete Rickett's Office gave the County Board an update.

Brad and Laura Lockee visited with the County Board and Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter about their property and the driveways running thru the Schluns Addition in pt of the NW ¼ 9-25-2. The driveways are currently owned by Krista Schluns and up for a tax sale. County has no jurisdiction over the driveways within the subdivision as it is a private subdivision. Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter was going to look into letting the Lockee's splitting their 9-acre lot and get back to them.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve and authorize Clerk and Treasurer to place weed and tree notices into the 2025 tax statements. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Matt and Lacey Stelling were present to voice their concern on the recently placed driveway into the Husker Ag Ethanol plant coming off the west road as it is close to Hwy 20 and to the railroad crossing. Commissioner Kuether will look at it and talk with Husker Ag.

Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter presented the Krause Lot Split and discussion was held.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the Krause Lot Split, 6.05 acres in pt SE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 21, Township 28 North, Range 4 West, Pierce Co. NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on signing of the Interlocal Agreement with Pierce County Economic Development. Signing of interlocal was tabled until the By-Laws of the newly formed Pierce County Economic Development Nonprofit have been produced and submitted to the County as was stated at the July 22, 2024 County Board Meeting. PCED Nonprofit presented the county board with old By-Laws from the late 90's or early 2000's and said they are working on getting something similar done but they need the interlocal signed first so they can begin working on the By-Laws and getting the County and other subdivisions a current updated copy for the newly formed 501C(6).

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to authorize and approve Tom Kuether, Board Chairman to sign the Interlocal Agreement for Pierce County Economic Development Nonprofit 501C(6), along with Pierce City, Plainview City, Osmond City and Hadar Village with the By-Laws being submitted to all subdivisions as soon as possible. Roll call vote: Aye: Albers and Martinson. Nay: Kuether. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, 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 D. Albin-court appointed costs-$2,353.87; Eakes Office-supplies-$42.02; ES & S-election costs-$1,656.50; Electronic Enginnering-repairs-$2,204.20; Faith Regional Physician Services LLC-prisoner medical-$600.00; Ann Fenton-reimb. mileage-$167.50; Floor Maint. & Paper Supplies-supplies-$683.50; IA Prison Industries-supplies-$96.90; Kate M Jorgensen PC LLO-public defender-$4,583.33; M & M Sanitation-service-$330.00; Madison County Clerk-district judge costs-$75.00; Madison County Treasurer-District 7 expenses-$14,952.88; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,963.49; Motorola Solutions Inc-supplies-$1,086.48; NACO-24/25 dues &

registration-$2,606.40; NE NE Area Agency on Aging-23/24 support-$4,571.00; NE NE Economic Development District-24/25 support-$920.00; NE NE RC & D-24/25 support-$3,000.00; NE HHSS-August expenses-$135.00; Pierce County Threshing Bee-24/25 support-$1,200.00; Pierce City-utilities-$2,126.92; Plainview News Inc-ads-$491.41; Prime Stop-gas-$138.00; Quill-supplies-$243.82; Region IV Behavioral Health Systems-1st quarter 24/25 support-$5,870.50; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,229.78; Brett Rix-reimb. mileage-$253.16; State of NE DAS Central Finance-service-$782.45; Stonacek Funeral Chapel-removal-$550.00; Tiger Town Food Center-prisoner food-$247.29; NBS/Wahltex-repairs-$3,655.00; Wayne County Clerk-district judge costs-$4,288.23; Payroll-$64,882.38.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: AKRS Equipment-repair parts-$148.80; B's Enterprises-culverts-$14,463.20; Bazile Aggregate Co LLC-gravel-$1,764.24; Black Hills Energy-service-$46.01; Bomgaars-supplies-$119.99; Farmers Pride-gas-$1,157.44; M & B Quality Concrete-road repairs-$11,950.00; M & M Sanitation-service-$105.00; Meisinger Oil Co-supplies-$755.48; Menards-supplies-$149.90; Midwest Bank-co share-$2,938.19; Osmond City-utilities-$81.00; Pierce City-utilities-$199.37; Plainview News-ads-$48.00; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,451.68; Sapp Bros Norfolk-repair parts-$256.50; True Ag & Turf-repairs-$3,932.57; Wattier True Value Hardware & Service Center-supplies-$18.08; Payroll-$38,407.75.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: NE Central Finance-support-$150.00.

Discussion was held again on the newly formed driveway going into Husker Ag from the west road.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:21 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 15, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
October 15, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, 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, Michelle Reikofski 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 Tom Kuether called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M. and presided. Chairman Tom 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 September 30, 2024 were approved as printed.

The legal was read for the 9:11 a.m. public hearing of the 2024/2025 Fiscal Year Pierce County 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Chairman Kuether opened the hearing at 9:12 a.m. There were no written comments or objections from the public. Michelle Reikofski was present. Discussion was held on the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan projects and Hwy Supt. McDonald answered questions the Board had on the plan. Chairman Kuether closed the hearing at 9:16 a.m.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve and adopt Resolution #2024-21, the One and Six Year County Road Plan for Pierce County for 2024/2025 FY as presented by Brian McDonald, Hwy Superintendent. Whereas the original is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on current road and bridge projects.

Discussion was held on the Maas Lot Split in pt of the SE ¼ 29-27-1.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Maas Lot Split, 6.93 acres in pt SE ¼ of Section 29, Township 27 North, Range 1 West, Pierce Co. NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to Approve Resolution #2024-22 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2024 - 22

WHEREAS, due to Section 39-1904 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the 2024-2025 County Road Fund budget does not include a property tax dollar request, and

WHEREAS, the 2024-2025 county budget was balanced by a fund transfer of $2,200,000.00 from the General Fund to the County Road Fund,

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:

Road/Bridge Fund	$700,000.00
Total	$700,000.00

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

Dated this 15th day of October, 2024

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman

/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the cost allocation plan with Maximus.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Kuether, to authorize Chairman and Clerk to sign Cost Allocation Plan for 24/25 FY with Maximus. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Rick Eberhardt, County Sheriff, for August & September 2024; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for September 2024; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for September 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $220,573.40 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: Amazon Capital Services-yearly fee-$18.88; Anderson Ford of Lincoln-patrol vehicle-$50,076.00; Applied Connective Technologies-IT support-$3,630.19; Bishop Business-supplies-$33.06; Black Hills Energy-service-$45.86; Bob Barker Co Inc-supplies-$71.09; Charm-Tex Inc-supplies-$509.40; Cintas-supplies-$47.00; Classic Rentals-service-$207.23; Egley, Fullner, Montag, Morland & Easland PC-court appointed costs-$725.92; ES & S-election supplies & service-$3,971.65; Faith Regional Physician Services LLC-prisoner medical-$64.00; FP Finance Program-meter rent-$154.09; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment-supplies-$63.69; Lexis Nexis-software-$186.00; Lincoln Marriot-lodging-$363.00; Caitlin Macke-reimb. travel expenses-$453.82; Magdanz-supplies-$50.25; Maximus-2023/2024 Cost Allocation Plan-$526.00; Microfilm Imaging Systems-scanning services-$92.00; MidAmerica Adm. & Retirement Solutions-HRA quarterly costs-$16,600.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,903.44; MIPS-IT services, website, micro filming-$2,837.18; NACO-postcard joint public hearing-$2,830.20; NE NE Juvenile Services-boarding-$450.00; NE NE News-ads-$2,394.23; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$56.19; Pierce Co Court-fees-$101.00; Pierce County Leader-ads-$3,161.60; Pierce County Treasurer-transfer from General to Road/Bridge Fund-$700,000.00; Pierce County District Court-court costs-$74.00; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner meds-$19.71; Pierce Telephone-service-$1,812.39; Terri Polt-reimbursed travel expenses-$227.80; Prime Stop-gas-$233.52; Quill-supplies-$386.72; Region IV Inc-quarterly cost-$2,340.25; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,288.33; Sioux Sales Co-supplies-$84.80; Stratton,DeLay,Doele,Carlson,Buettner & Stover-court appointed costs-$237.50; Terminex-service-$107.00; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$598.86; University of NE-registration-$115.00; Verizon-service-$426.38; Western Oil LLC-gas-$297.98; Payroll-$66,101.85.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: AKRS-repair parts-$384.29; Allstar Parts LLC-repair parts-$283.68; Altwine Hardware-supplies-$72.08; Appeara-uniforms-$100.40; B's Enterprises Inc-culverts & signs-$2,640.00; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$43,769.53; Bauer Built-repair parts-$12,116.46; Bazile Aggregate Co LLC-gravel & rock-$272.09; Cintas-supplies-$458.65; Classic Rentals-service-$250.64; Dd Steel-supplies-$40.00; Farmer's Pride-diesel-$4,795.20; Fastywyre-service-$111.64; Filtercare of NE-services-$90.30; Fischer Tree Central Inc-tree removal-$14,000.00; Integrated Care-DOT testing service-$150.00; JEO Consulting Group-engineering-$3,675.00; Kimball Midwest-repair parts-$718.24; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$890.12; Magdanz Inc-supplies-$116.31; Matheson Tri-Gas-supplies-$101.86; McLean-utilities & garbage pickup-$72.90; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$4,353.38; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,856.72; Mitch's Food Center-supplies-$33.70; NE NE News-ads-$176.00; NMC Cat-repair parts-$841.76; North Central Public Power-utilities-$212.42; Northeast Power-utilities-$274.00; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$641.80; Paul's Welding-repairs-$122.89; Pierce Telephone-service-$204.47; Plainview Telephone-service-$96.79; City of Plainview-utilities-$86.04; Power Plan-repair parts-$282.09; R & D Welding-repairs-$29.30; Randolph Farm Supply-gas & diesel-$3,451.71; RDO Truck Centers-repair parts-$60.65; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,454.99; Steinkraus Service-gas & tires-$200.05; Tom's Service LLC-gas-$642.34; Truck Center Co-repair parts-$82.87; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$112.50; West-Hodson Lumber & Concrete Co-supplies-$8.49; Western Oil-gas-$158.00; Payroll-$38,625.54.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: NE NE News Co-ads-$7.00; Pierce County Leader-ad-$7.00.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk-1/7 cost share-$149.12; Pierce Telephone-service-$341.15; Plainview Telephone-service-$151.00.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-online services-$351.12.

VISITOR PROMO FUND: NE NE News Co-ads-$6.79; Pierce Co Threshing Bee-grant-$500.00; Pierce Co Leader-ads-$6.50; St John's Lutheran Church-grant-$500.00.

VISITOR IMPROVEMENT FUND: Osmond Senior Center-grant-$750.00; Pierce Historical Society-grant-$750.00; Plainview Historical Society-grant-$750.00; Plainview Klown Doll Museum-grant-$750.00.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:33 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, October 28, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
October 28, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, October 28, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Sue Buckley 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 9:10 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 October 15, 2024 were approved as printed.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize and approve the Board Chairman to sign the 2024 Year End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form which determines incentive state and federal funds for highway allocations as submitted and Resolution 2024-23, authorizing the signing of the Year End Certification by the County Board Chairperson. Whereas the original is on file at the office of the Pierce County Clerk and available for inspection. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Approval of Distress Warrants was tabled.

Discussion was held on Pierce County Economic Development and that Chairman Tom Kuether would like to step down from being on the board because of conflict.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to appoint Todd Wragge to the Pierce County Economic Development Board as the spirited citizen to represent Pierce County. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to replace Chairman Tom Kuether with the appointment of Commissioner Brad Albers with Commissioner Carl Martinson as alternate to the Pierce County Economic Development Board for the remainder of 2024. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, 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: Amazon Capital-jail supplies-$127.98; BSBS of NE-premiums-$56,080.67; Brogan Lammli PC LLO-court appointed costs-$684.13; Crowne Plaza Kearney-lodging-$249.90; Dollar General-jail supplies-$45.75; Rick Eberhardt-reimbursed travel-$724.56; ES & S-election costs-$3,243.34; Ewalt Law Office PC LLO-court appointed costs-$297.23; Ann Fenton-reimbursed travel-$99.65; Iowa Prison Industries-jail supplies-$130.35; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment-jail supplies-$107.99; Jenkins Electric-repairs-$95.00; Jones Automotive-repairs-$14,035.44; Kate Jorgensen PC-public defender-$4,583.33; Midwest Bank-co share-$5,139.24; NE Health & Human Services-Sept. boarding-$432.00; One Office-supplies-$18.99; Osmond City-library assistance for 24/25 FY-$10,712.00; Physicians Labortory PC-testing-$370.00; Pierce Auto Repair-repairs-$642.82; Pierce County Economic Development-1st quarter contribution for 24/25 FY-$14,813.00; Pierce City-library assistance for 24/25 FY-$10,712.00; Plainview City-

library assistance for 24/25 FY-$10,712.00; Vickie Prince-reimbursed travel-$366.84; Quill-supplies-$93.25; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,645.13; Robert Seegebarth-prior service-$33.00; State of NE-network charges-$46.00; Stratton Delay Doele Carlson PC LLC-court appointed costs-$1,619.44; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$410.53; VISA-jail supplies-$65.22; Payroll-$69,183.86.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: AKRS-repair parts-$21.20; B's Enterprises-signs & culverts-$9,330.00; Bauer Built Inc-repair parts-$156.00; Black Hills Energy-service-$47.21; Farmers Pride-diesel-$758.11; Jerry's Hilltop Service-gas-$55.31; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$2,289.34; Midwest Bank-co share-$2,638.23; NE Glass-repairs-$550.00; Osmond Farm Supply Center Inc-diesel-$2,594.40; Pierce City-utilities-$197.55; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,276.55; Safety Kleen-repairs-$389.89; Payroll-$35,764.37.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: State of NE Central Financing-online services-$150.00.

E911 FUND: Optk-911 services-$529.40.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 9:40 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
November 12, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Co. Treasurer Christine Bahr, John Steinkraus, Bullet Beaudette, Michelle Reikofski, Connie Hille, David Hille 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 9:10 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 October 28, 2024 were approved as printed.

Discussion was held on the Hille Lot Split in pt SE ¼ 28-26-1.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Hille's Lot Split, 20 acres in pt of the SE ¼ Section 28, Township 26 North, Range 1 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

County Treasurer Christine Bahr was present and discussion was held on the Certification of Distress Warrants that have been delivered to the County Sheriff. After Distress Warrants are delivered to the Sheriff, the Sheriff then has 9 months or until August 1st to submit a report to the County Board for the amount collected and/or uncollected.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Notice that 31 Distress Warrants at a total of $33,287.78 were delivered to the Pierce County Sheriff. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held about Zoning Board members not showing up for meetings and an ad has been placed in the 3 county newspapers asking for zoning board members.

Discussion was held on the Lockee Lot Split that will be coming to the county in December and on the option to purchase property next to the Plainview Shop in Plainview.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for October 2024; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for October 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $941,491.43 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-$191.10; American Legion Emblem Sales-supplies-$1,399.76; Applied Connective Technologies-IT service-$4,830.44; Bishop Business-supplies-$162.33; Black Hills Energy-utilities-$45.70; Brogan Lammli PC LLO-court appointed costs-$1,071.19; Consolidated Management Co-registration & meals-$45.40; Crowne Plaza Kearney-lodging-$247.90; Decatur Co Sheriff Office-paper service-$67.52; Rick Eberhardt-reimbursed uniform & travel-$560.90; Jack's Uniforms-supplies-$111.94; Johnson's Inc-repairs-$220.70; Brittany Kolterman-reimbursed travel-$80.40; LexisNexis-software support-$186.00; Magdanz-supplies-$168.79; Jennie Martinez-reimbursed travel-$227.73; Microfilm Imaging Systems-scanning services-$92.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,964.83; MIPS-IT service, website-$6,028.18; NACO-2023 2nd ½ dues & registration-$2,551.40; NCEA-registration-$330.00; NE NE News-ads-$1,677.25; NE Public Health Environmental Lab-testing-$105.00; NE Sheriff's Assoc.-dues-$350.00; Pierce Co Court-court costs-$185.00; Pierce District Court-court costs-$108.00; Pierce Telephone-service-$1,778.08; Plainview News-ads-$658.76; Prime Stop-gas-$143.23; Vickie Prince-reimbursed travel-$227.66; Quill-supplies-$541.07; Randolph Times-ads-$51.00; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,479.06; Tom Schultz-reimbursed travel-$93.89; State of NE Central Finance-October costs-$701.95; Tom's Service-gas & diesel-$849.96; Payroll-$66,904.42.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Allstar Parts LLC-repair parts-$838.59; Appeara-uniforms-$125.50; B's Enterprises Inc-signs & culverts-$27,894.00; Bauer Built Inc-repair parts-$930.00; Bazile Aggregate-gravel-$429.87; Big John Mfg Co Inc-repairs & supplies-$140.00; Bomgaars-supplies-$3.94; Dd Steel-supplies-$40.00; Farmer's Pride-diesel-$4,257.23; Filtercare of NE-services-$161.55; Gary Hamilton-premium refund-$19.32; JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineering-$13,277.50; Lawson Products-supplies-$165.68; Magdanz-supplies-$305.81;

Matheson Tri-Gas-supplies-$104.86; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$2,651.02; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,583.02; NE Weed Control Assn-dues-$135.00; North Central Public Power-utilities-$175.84; Northeast Power-utilities-$258.00; Paul's Welding-repairs-$65.10; Pierce Telephone-service-$171.18; Plainview City-utilities-$84.66; Randolph Farm Supply Inc-gas, diesel & repairs-$354.32; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,278.56; Tom's Service-gas & diesel-$686.23; True Ag & Turf-supplies-$508.96; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$6.66; Western Oil-gas-$609.08; Payroll-$35,042.83.

VISITOR PROMO FUND: The Plainview News-ads-$7.09.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-online services-$351.12.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk-E11 service-$149.12; Pierce Telephone-service-$341.15.

BOND FUND: BOK Financial-bond interest payment-$2,735.00.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 9:50 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, November 25, 2024 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/ Chairman Pro Tem Brad Albers
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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
November 25, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, November 25, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald, EMS Bobbi Risor, Commissioner Elect John Steinkraus 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 9:10 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 November 12, 2024 were approved as printed.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Underground Crossing for John Gubbels for electrical in pt SE ¼ SW ¼ Section 1, Township 28 North, Range 4 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the Underground Crossing for Luke Winkelbauer for irrigation pipe in pt S ½ SW ¼ Section 19, Township 25 North, Range 2 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Holidays, Meeting and Pay Claim Dates for 2025 as presented by the County Clerk. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Jacob Wostrel was present and discussion was held on 540 Ave, between 852/853 Roads, about legality of the road if closed or not. No resolutions or easements were found.

Discussion was held on other problem roads and bridges that need repaired.

Kenny Venteicher was present to let the Board know of the damage being done to the county roads because of the building of the solar farm. Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was going to give Nextera a call per the road agreement with them for the road maintenance and building up of these roads being used.

The County Board tabled the courthouse and jail inspection.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson 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-$1,472.05; Amazon Capital Services-supplies-$76.44; Antelope County Sheriffs Dept-prisoner boarding-$470.00; Axon Enterprise Inc-supplies-$499.20; Leann Beltz-election work-$224.00; Marietta Bjorklund-election work-$217.00; BCBS-health premiums-$55,998.80; Marilyn Blunck-election work-$224.00; Brogan Lammli PC LLO-court appointed costs-$3,258.76; Beata Burkink-election work-$217.00; Classic Carpet Care-service-$247.93; Phyllis Cleveland-election work-$217.00; County Veterans Association-dues-$100.00; Decatur County Sheriff's Office-paper service-$86.28; Detechtachem Inc-supplies-$102.67; Dollar General-supplies-$85.10; Carla Ellsworth-election work-$189.00; Susan Fehringer-election work-$266.00; Melissa Forbes-election work-$217.00; FP Finance Program-lease-$154.09; Jennifer Fritz-election work-$224.00; Sylvia Furstenau-election work-$224.00; GBE-audit-$4,000.00; Nancy Green-election work-$217.00; Kayla Hoffmann-refund of premium-$12.55; Jack's Uniforms-supplies-$129.95; Jenkins Electric-repairs-$3,447.56; Kate Jorgensen PC LLO-public defender-$4,583.33; Patricia Ketelsen-election work-$217.00; Tim Knaak-election work-$217.00; Jan Kramer-election work-$224.00; Tina Kumm-election work-$217.00; Bradley Lewon-election work-$56.00; Lincoln Marriott Cornhusker-lodging-$234.00; Melissa Lind-election work-$273.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$5,056.31; Patricia Moeller-election work-$224.00; NE Assn of Co. Assessors-dues-$320.00; NE NE News Company-ads-$31.00; NE HHSS-Oct. 2024 boarding-$186.00; Nebraska.Gov-service-$2.00; One Office Solutions-supplies-$26.49; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$156.33; Physicians Laboratory-testing-$424.00; Pierce Auto Repair LLC-repairs-$1,148.88; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-$50.99; Pierce County Leader-ads-$1,364.48; Pierce District Court-court costs-$72.00; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner meds-$126.40; Pierce City-utilities-$1,910.92; Prime Stop-gas-$85.51; Quill-supplies-$370.93; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$5,699.07; Brett Rix-mileage-$90.61; Rhonda Rowley-election work-$240.00; S & D Masonry-repairs-$460.00;

Lisa Samuelson-election work-$217.00; Barbara Schaefer-election work-$224.00; Denise Schmit-election work-$217.00; Catherine Schuett-election work-$247.50; Leanne Silhacek-election work-$59.50; State of NE-network charges-$46.00; Dolores Steinkraus-election work-$189.00; Stratton Delay Doele Carlson PC LLC-court appointed costs-$4,723.09; Melissa Tarr-election work-$72.25; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$714.73; Tom's Service LLC-gas-$642.47; Verizon Wireless-service-$426.47; VISA-supplies-$191.38; Sharon Wagner-election work-$247.50; Whitey's Sprinklers-service-$125.00; Kim Wolken-election work-$247.50; Lori Wragge-election work-$280.00; Payroll-$68,099.51.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Alpha Workforce Health-testing-$52.00; Altwine Hardware & Home LLC-supplies-$16.98; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$37,463.26; Black Hills Energy-propane-$50.85; BCBS-health premiums-$2,433.28; Cedar Beef LLC-freight-$5,426.70; Chad's Tire Service-repairs-$535.00; CHI Health Co Care-testing-$168.00; Cintas-supplies-$63.87; Classic Carpet Care-service-$232.19; Colonial Research Chem Co-chemicals-$959.92; Fastwyre Broadband-service-$114.74; J & J Materials-supplies-$2,359.03; Kelly Supply Co-repair parts-$63.33; Kimball Midwest-repair parts-$1,627.96; Kumm Gas Inc-gas-$70.50; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$526.15; McLean-utilities-$72.45; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$4,694.21; Mid-American Research Chemical-chemicals-$271.60; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,569.49; N & B Gas Co-service-$496.16; NMC Exchange LLC-repair parts-$1,454.50; Norfolk Motor Co-repairs-$593.09; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$290.01; Overhead Door-repair parts-$446.20; Pierce Automotive Supply-repair parts-$813.93; Pierce City-Utilities-$193.76; Plainview Telephone Co Inc-service-$97.11; Reikofski Farms-repairs-$1,335.59; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,266.63; Safety Kleen-repairs-$298.47; Sapp Bros Norfolk-repair parts-$138.25; Steinkraus Service-gas-$824.50; Tom's Service-gas-$488.77; True Ag & Turf-repair parts-$1,280.38; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$41.74; Payroll-$34,866.08.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: NE Central Finance-support-$150.00.

PIERCE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND: Pierce County Economic Development-clear fund-$2,497.72.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk-Oct 2024 service-$149.12; Plainview Telephone Co Inc-service-$151.00.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 10:09 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, December 9, 2024 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/ Chairman 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
December 9, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, December 9, 2024, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: Tom Kuether, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald, Brad Lockee, Laura Lockee 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 9:11 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to correct agenda to state Approve Resolution 2024-24, upon a sign study by Hwy Supt Brian McDonald he recommends to replace Yield sign with a Stop sign to control the east bound traffic at the intersection of 546 Ave and 849 Rd in Pierce County, NE and to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of November 25, 2024 were approved as printed.

Zoning Adm. Heather McWhorter was present along with Brad & Laura Lockee whom are requesting to split a subdivision tract on ground located at 54830 850 ½ Rd, Pierce, NE in South Willow Lake 2nd Subdivision, Lot 9 in pt of the NW ¼ 9-25-2. Zoning Board made recommendation to allow and needed approval from county board so Lockee's can begin the survey process.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the split on ground located at 54830 850 ½ Rd, Pierce, NE in South Willow Lake 2nd Subdivision, Lot 9 in pt of the NW ¼ Section 9, Township 25 North, Range 2 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Reappoint Joe Aschoff and Guy Ellsworth to the Zoning Board for a 3-year term – Dec 2024 to December 2027. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the Patent Lot Split in pt of the NE ¼ of Section 10, Township 28 North, Range 1 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Hwy Supt Brian McDonald was present and he updated the Board on the current road and bridge projects and discussed the resolution and his sign study on 546 Ave and 839 Rd.

Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was present and discussion held on the stop sign resolution, solar roads west of Pierce and bridges that need work done.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve Resolution #2024-24 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2024 - 24

WHEREAS, an engineering study was made of the intersection of County Avenue 546 with 849 Road in Pierce County, Nebraska.

WHEREAS, presently a yield sign controls eastbound traffic and a stop sign controls westbound traffic.

WHEREAS, the findings of the engineering study revealed that obstacles block visibility to the south for both east and westbound vehicles resulting in an unsafe condition. The engineering study also showed that there is not adequate site distance to allow for the use of the existing Yield sign. The study recommended that the yield sign be replaced with a Stop sign to control east bound traffic and that the Stop Sign controlling westbound traffic remain in place at the intersection of County Avenue 546 with 849 Road in Pierce County, Nebraska.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, that the eastbound and westbound vehicles be stopped at the intersection of County Avenue 546 with 849 Road, Pierce County Nebraska and that the necessary signs be installed.

Dated this 11th day of December, 2023

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Tom Kuether, Chairman

/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 Commissioner

/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 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, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to Authorize Chairman to sign Memorandum of Understanding between Madison and Pierce Counties which designates Madison County Attorney's Office as the official applicant and lead county for the NE Crime Commission's 2025-2026 Community Based Juvenile Services Grant application. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Albers, to Authorize Chairman to sign Memorandum of Understanding for the NE NE Juvenile Justice Partnership Plan for the counties of Madison, Boone, Stanton, Wayne, Antelope, Pierce and Knox for participation in the 2025-2028 Comprehensive Community Plan. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The County Board did the courthouse and jail inspection and both returned.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, 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: AC Land-December 2024 rent for PCED office in Osmond-$708.00; Amazon-supplies-$9.90; Applied Connective Technologies-IT software & support-$3,640.60; Bishop Business-supplies-$66.46; Black Hills Energy-utilities-$46.04; Cintas-supplies-$22.21; Eakes Office Solutions-supplies-$410.40; Fairfield Inn & Suites-lodging-$119.95; Ann Fenton-reimb. mileage & registration-$299.96; LexisNexis-law library-$186.00; Madison County District Court-court costs-$100.00; Madison County Sheriff-prisoner meds-$29.90; Magdanz-supplies-$61.72; Menards-supplies-$74.51; Microfilm Imaging Systems-scanner rent-$46.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$5,198.30; MIPS-IT services, website, micro filming-$2,837.18; NCEA-dues-$120.00; NE NE News-ads-$278.94; NE Fire Marshal-testing-$120.00; Pierce Co Court- court costs-$234.00; Pierce Telephone-service-$1,784.21; Prime Stop-gas-$155.75; Quill-supplies-$228.89; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$4,828.69; State of NE Central Financing-service-$701.95; Stratton Delay Doele Carlson Buettner & Stove PC-court appointed costs-$3,039.28; Thomas & Jensen Law Office-court appointed costs-$525.39; Tiger Town-prisoner food-$525.14; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$401.64; Payroll-$69,956.40.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Appeara-uniforms-$100.40; B's Enterprises-signs-$1,132.00; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-$48,648.55; Bishop Business-supplies-$138.27; Bomgaars-supplies-$668.84; Car Shop-repairs-$60.50; Chad's Tire Service-tires-$2,202.98; Cintas-supplies-$127.72; Cornhusker Intl Trucks-repairs-$811.58; Elkhorn Rural PPD-utilities-$3,582.80; Farmer's Pride-diesel-$4,258.15; JEO Consulting Group Inc-engineering-$47,333.75; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-$1,272.59; Matheson Tri-Gas-supplies-$101.86; McLean Village-utilities-$72.45; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$117.94; Menards-supplies-$159.90; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,532.22; Midwest Service & Sales-repair parts-$2,065.00; North Central PPD-utilities-$198.05; NE Power-utilities-$226.00; Paul's Welding-repairs-$55.00; Pierce Telephone-service-$176.09; Plainview Telephone-service-$97.27; City of Plainview-utilities-$87.66; Polt Brothers Equipment-repair parts-$1,114.52; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,233.71; Steinkraus Service-gas & tires-$513.00; Tom's Service LLC-gas & repairs-$224.16; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$197.21; West Hodson Lumber Co LLC-supplies-$2,653.26; Payroll-$34,378.45.

E911 FUND: Optk Networks-service-$529.40; Page My Cell-service-$600.00.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: Amazon-supplies-$940.52; Pierce Telephone-service $341.15; Plainview Telephone-service-$151.00.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: MIPS-support-$351.12.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 9:58 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, December 23, 2024 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 l0 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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COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
December 23, 2024

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, December 23, 2024, 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, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg 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 9:10 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 Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of December 9, 2024 were approved as printed.

Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald was present and discussion held on the stop sign resolution, overlay project, solar roads west of Pierce and bridges that need work done.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize Clerk to advertise for an Overlay Project on S & A Feedlot Rd, 847 Rd and for the replacement of bridge on 553 Ave with bids for the two projects to be opened on Monday, February 3, 2025 at 9:11 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Kuether, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Co. Sheriff Rick Eberhardt for October and November 2024; Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for November 2024; approve Treasurer's receipt's for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for November 2024 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total $232,298.89 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 attorney-$722.00; Antelope Co Sheriff-prisoner housing-$2,585.00; BCBS-health premiums-$56,053.38; Buchanan Well Co-repairs-$747.00; Classic Carpet Care-maintenance-$205.61; Dollar General-supplies-$51.05; Eakes Office Solutions-supplies-$42.02; FP Finance Program-postage meter rent-$154.09; GBE-audit services-$7,000.00; Kayla Hoffmann-reimburse mileage-$80.40; Jack's Uniforms-supplies-$233.89; Kate M. Jorgensen PC LLO-public defender-$4,583.33; M&M Sanitation-service-$330.00; Heather McWhorter-reimburse equipment-$195.95; Microfilm Imaging Systems-rent-$46.00; MidAmerica Retirement Solutions-fees-$396.00; Midwest Bank-co share-$4,846.48; MIPS-supplies-$60.40; NE Health & Human Services-housing-$180.00; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$319.79; Physicians Laboratory PC-testing-$2,750.00; Pierce Automotive Supply-parts-$22.98; Pierce County Leader-ads-$1,095.13; Pierce County Petty Cash Fund-mileage, meals, postage, supplies-$169.87; Pierce County District Court-court costs-$36.00; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner meds-$80.59; City of Pierce-utilities-$2,903.67; Prime Stop-gas-$128.10; Vickie Prince-reimburse mileage-$80.40; Quill-supplies-$444.99; The Radar Shop Inc-supplies-$320.00; Region IV Behavioral Health Systems-2nd & 3rd quarter dues-$11,741.00; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$5,514.94; NE Secretary of State-election supplies-$10.00; Security Shredding-service-$220.00; State of NE Central Finance-support-$46.00; Tiger Town-

prisoner food-$912.99; Tom's Service-gas-$459.97; Verizon – telephone-$426.47; VISA-jail supplies, postage-$325.23; Western Oil Inc-gas-$471.16; Payroll-$65,357.37.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: AKRS Equipment-supplies-$213.69; Allstar Parts-supplies-$246.18; Alpha Workforce Health-drug testing-52.00; Altwine Hardware & Home-supplies-$6.48; Black Hills Energy-service-$381.03; Bomgaars-supplies-$201.95; Classic Carpet Care-maintenance-$183.36; DD Steel-parts-$127.28; Farmers Pride-propane-$924.19; Fastwyre Broadband-service-$116.97; M&M Sanitation-service-$105.00; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-$3,143.65; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-$2,600.84; NE Weed Control Assn-dues-$100.00; NMC-repair parts-$2,153.21; City of Osmond-garbage fees-$151.00; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-$112.00; Pierce Automotive-parts-$431.89; Pierce County Petty Cash Fund-vehicle license-$50.00; Randolph Farm Supply-diesel & gas-$2,937.78; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-$2,294.27; Safety Kleen-service-$264.56; Sapp Brothers-oil-$825.00; Tom's Service-gas-$513.31; True Ag & Turf-parts-$2,090.45; Wattier's True Value-supplies-$118.49; Western Oil Inc-gas-$251.83; Payroll-$35,275.58.

REGISTER OF DEEDS FUND: State of NE Central Finance-software support-$150.00.

WIRELESS FUND: Motorola Solutions-service, support-$1,695.50; City of Norfolk-service contract-$149.12.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuether adjourned the meeting at 9:30, A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, January 6, 2025 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 l0 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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