

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 10 working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that any news media requesting notification concerning said meetings or said County Board were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meetings and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

/s/ Shannon Wragge
Pierce County Clerk
