

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

/s/ Shannon Wragge  
Pierce County Clerk

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