

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

September 2, 2025

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: John Steinkraus, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge 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 shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. Chairman Martinson called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M. and presided. Chairman 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 Steinkraus, seconded by Albers, to approve the agenda and minutes. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of August 18, 2025 were approved as printed.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Martinson, to authorize the Board Chairman to sign the 2025/2026 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: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Steinkraus, seconded by Martinson, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a special designated liquor license for Jerry's Hilltop for Saturday October 4, 2025, from 3:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. at the Pierce County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus and Martinson; Albers abstained. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the purchase of a new motor grader.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to authorize the Clerk to advertise for a new motor grader. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to approve Resolution 2025-16 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2025 - 16

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PIERCE COUNTY ADOPTING THE LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE PREPARED BY LOWER ELKHORN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT & LEWIS AND CLARK NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT

SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

WHEREAS, the federal Disaster Mitigation Act requires proactive pre-disaster planning as a condition of receiving certain financial assistance under the Robert T. Stafford Act.

WHEREAS, the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District & Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District, in accordance with the federal Disaster Mitigation Act, has prepared a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP).

WHEREAS, the hazard mitigation plan identifies the hazards for the communities within the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District & Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District, including Pierce County.

WHEREAS, the LHMP includes a plan for monitoring, evaluating, and future updates.

WHEREAS, the LHMP was developed through engaging the partners in the process and soliciting input on the existing risks in each community.

WHEREAS, the LHMP is a way to reduce or alleviate the loss of life, personal injury, and property damage that can result from a disaster through long- and short-term strategies.

WHEREAS, the LHMP prepared by the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District & Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District will be reviewed and approved by the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency and Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Upon motion duly made, and unanimously passed, it was

RESOLVED, that Pierce County to adopt the LHMP prepared by the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District & Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District.

RESOLVED, that Pierce County will use the adopted and approved portions of the LHMP to guide pre- and post-disaster mitigation of the hazards identified.

RESOLVED, that Pierce County will coordinate the strategies identified in the LHMP with other planning programs and mechanisms under its jurisdictional authority.

RESOLVED, that Pierce County will continue with its support of the Steering Committee and continue to participate in the Planning Partnership as described by the LHMP.

RESOLVED, that Pierce County will help to promote and support the mitigation successes of all LHMP Planning Partners.

PASSED and adopted by the Pierce County Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, by the following vote:

/s/ Carl Martinson, Chairman

/s/ Brad Albers

/s/ John Steinkraus

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

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to approve the fee reports as submitted by Vickie Prince, Clerk of District Court and Shannon Wragge, County Clerk for July 2025; approve Treasurer's receipts for various funds for Christine Bahr, County Treasurer, for July 2025 and placed on file in the County Clerk's office, total \$503,957.39 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: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: AC Land-office rent-\$708.00; Bishop Business-supplies-\$17.15; Black Hills Energy-utilities-\$56.37; Bomgaars Supply-equipment-\$1,599.99; Cintas-supplies-\$4.79; Department of Revenue Property Assessment-registration-\$715.00; Nancy Dolesh-election-\$93.50; Dollar General-supplies-\$46.00; Fitzgerald, Vetter & Temple-court appointed attorney-\$1,570.10; FP Finance-postage meter rent-\$310.05; Kim Huwaldt-mileage-\$29.60; Lexington Regional Health Center-inmate medical-\$1,869.48; Madison National Life-premiums-\$43.36; Mattson Garage-repairs-\$140.00; Midwest Bank-co share-\$5,355.70; Jamie Miller Legal Services-court appointed attorney-\$1,476.70; MIPS-IT support-\$2,944.43; NACO-registration-\$60.00; NE Nebr News-publications-\$819.96; Nebr Health & Human Services-housing-\$93.00; One Office Supply-supplies-\$1,026.98; Pierce City-utilities-\$2,687.09; Pommer Accounting-service-\$3,000.00; LuAnn Prahle-election-\$204.00; Prime Stop-gas-\$86.62; Quill-supplies-\$142.97; Radiology Associates-inmate medical-\$35.00; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$4,983.76; Leanne Silhacek-election-\$110.50; State of NE Central Finance-computer network service-\$46.00; State of NE Central Finance-computer network service-\$701.95; Melinda Stelling-mileage-\$11.40; Stonacek Funeral Chapel-service-\$675.00; Tiger Town-prisoner food-\$937.72; Tom's Service-gas & repairs-\$504.92; U Save Pharmacy-inmate meds-\$36.42; VISA-travel, supplies-\$64.51; Payroll-\$71,640.28.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Bazile Aggregate Co-gravel-\$13,934.32; Bomgaars-supplies-\$157.67; Cintas-supplies-\$182.02; Culligan -service fee-\$5.00; Farmers Pride-diesel-\$5,103.55; Heartland Fire Protection Co-inspections-\$289.50; Lammers Trailer Repair-repairs-\$909.70; Meisinger Oil Co-oil, diesel-\$9,883.09; Midwest Bank-co share-\$2,704.27; NE Power-utilities-\$259.00; Osmond Farm Supply Center-diesel-\$2,484.00; Pierce City-utilities-\$214.47; RDO Truck Centers-repair parts-\$181.41; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$2,348.57; Tom's Service-gas-\$342.30; Wattier True Value-repair parts-\$13.18; Payroll-\$36,587.32.

REGISTER OF DEEDS: MIPS-IT support-\$361.88; State of NE Central Finance-computer network service-\$150.00.

WIRELESS SERVICE FUND: City of Norfolk-911 support service-\$130.48.

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

There being no further business, Chairman Martinson adjourned the meeting at 10:12 A.M. and will meet at a budget hearing presentation meeting on Tuesday, September 2, 2025 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/ Carl Martinson
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
