

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
October 27, 2025

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, October 27, 2025, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: John Steinkraus, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Hwy Supt. Brian McDonald, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Deputy Co. Assessor 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 Martinson, seconded by Albers, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of October 14, 2025 were approved as printed.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to open the 9:11 a.m. public hearing of the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year Pierce County 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Chairman Martinson opened the public hearing at 9:12 a.m. There were no written comments or objections from the public and no one was present for said public hearing. Discussion was held on the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan projects and Hwy Supt. McDonald answered questions the Board had on the plan.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to close the public hearing at 9:23 a.m. of the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year Pierce County 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Steinkraus, seconded by Albers, to approve and adopt Resolution #2025-22, the One and Six Year County Road Plan for Pierce County for 2025/2026 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: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Assessor Jean Lubke and Deputy Assessor Bailey Backer were present to discuss with the Board, Eagleview, a Pictometry Software Program for the Assessor's Office at many different costs depending on the pixel size and how often updated. Assessor would like to have a contract with Eagleview for arial photos for 2026. No decision was made and will be placed on the December 8, 2025 agenda.

Motion by Steinkraus, seconded by Albers, to approve Change Order #1 (add \$6,125.00 addl pilings needed) and Pay Application #2 for the Hadar West/JEO Project #221896 with Theisen Construction for an amount of \$98,192.61. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to authorize and approve the Board Chairman to sign the 2025 Year End Certification of County Highway Superintendent form which determines incentive state and federal funds for highway allocations as submitted and Resolution # 2025-23, 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: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Steinkraus, seconded by Albers, to Approve Resolution #2025-24 as follows:

RESOLUTION # 2025 - 24

WHEREAS, due to Section 39-1904 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the 2025-2026 County Road Fund budget does not include a property tax dollar request, and

WHEREAS, the 2025-2026 county budget was balanced by a fund transfer of \$2,650,000.00 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	<u>\$1,000,000.00</u>
Total	\$1,000,000.00

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

Dated this 27th day of October, 2025

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Carl Martinson, Chairman

/s/ John Steinkraus, District #1 Commissioner

/s/ Brad Albers, District #2 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: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to Approve the Underground Crossing Application for Roger Woslager for the under crossing of a county road, with an electrical line approximately 1,350' west of 546 Ave and undercrossing 853 Rd between Sections 25/36, Township 26 North, Range 3 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Steinkraus, seconded by Albers, to Approve the Underground Crossing Application for Jean Dole % John Halsey for the under crossing of a county road, with an electrical line approximately 1,300' north of 867 Rd and undercrossing 540 Ave in pt of the SE ¼ of Section 13, Township 28 North, Range 4 West, Pierce County, NE. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, 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: Mark Albin-court appointed attorney costs-\$989.00; Avera Medical Group-prisoner medical-\$150.00; Bishop Business-supplies-\$567.06; Bob Barker Company Inc-supplies-\$108.98; Cintas-supplies-\$11.33; Classic Carpet Care-service-\$195.30; Copple Rocky Schlecht PC-court appointed attorney costs-\$781.00; Dollar General-jail supplies-\$101.25; Eakes Office Solutions-supplies-\$558.16; Rick Eberhardt-reimbursed travel-\$415.85; Ann Fenton-reimbursed travel-\$151.07; FP Finance Program-meter lease-\$171.05; Intoximeters-supplies-\$358.75; Kate Jorgensen PC-public defender-\$9,441.66; Laquinta Inns & Suites-lodging-\$344.85; Caitlin Macke-reimbursed travel-\$180.31; Madison County Sheriff-paper service-\$22.96; Magdanz Inc-supplies-\$811.45; Maximus Inc-service-\$500.00; Midwest Bank-co share-\$5,430.38; Miller Law-court appointed attorney costs-\$1,323.86; NE Juvenile Services Inc-annual

assessment & boarding-\$2,954.25; NE Health & Human Services-Sept. boarding-\$90.00; One Office-supplies-\$239.02; Dixie Pelc-reimbursed travel-\$55.39; Physicians Laboratory PC-testing-\$3,175.00; Pierce County Economic Development-2nd quarter dues for 25/26 FY-\$16,641.25; Pierce County Treasurer-transfer of funds from General to Road Bridge-\$1,000,000.00; Pierce City-utilities-\$2,220.45; Plainview News-publishing-\$810.88; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$4,979.86; Security Shredding-services-\$120.00; Sanne Repair LLC-repairs-\$251.66; Schroeder Land Surveying-surveying-\$160.00; State of NE-network charges-\$46.00; Stratton Delay Doele Carlson PC LLC-court appointed attorney costs-\$135.00; Tiger Town-prisoner food-\$57.60; VISA-jail supplies-\$57.60; Payroll-\$71,820.97.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: A & R Construction Co-rd repairs-\$1,266.61; AKRS-repair parts-\$25.48; Black Hills Energy-service-\$63.13; Bomgaars-supplies-\$71.95; Cintas-supplies-\$103.14; Classic Carpet Care-service-\$241.44; Farmers Pride-diesel-\$284.45; Fischer Tree Central Inc-tree trimming-\$2,500.00; Jerry's Hilltop Service-gas-\$266.85; Magdanz Inc-supplies-\$131.76; McLean-utilities-\$84.00; Meisinger Oil Co-diesel-\$587.85; Midwest Bank-co share-\$2,806.78; NE Power-utilities-\$222.00; Osmond Farm Supply Center Inc-diesel-\$2,488.25; Pierce City-utilities-\$213.72; Plainview News-publishing-\$96.32; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$2,463.05; Safety Kleen-repairs-\$329.76; Sapp Bros-repair parts-\$340.00; Theisen Construction Inc-Pay App 2 for Hadar West Project-\$98,192.61; Wattiers True Value-supplies-\$55.55; Payroll-\$38,495.85.

VISITOR PROMO FUND: Plainview News Inc-publishing-\$6.50.

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

E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk-911 services-\$130.48.

David Hood was present for an interview for the Full-Time Hwy Superintendent position.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to go into executive session regarding personnel (interviewing for a possible Hwy Supt.) at 9:35 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Steinkraus, seconded by Albers, to come out of executive session regarding personnel (interviewing for a possible Hwy Supt.) at 10:20 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Chairman Martinson adjourned the meeting at 10:21 A.M. and will meet again at a regular meeting on Monday, November 10, 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/ 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