

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

November 24, 2025

The Pierce County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, November 24, 2025, at 9:10 A.M. with the following members present: John Steinkraus, Brad Albers and Carl Martinson. Co. Clerk Shannon Wragge, Co. Assessor Jean Lubke, Deputy Sheriff Jacob Wostrel, Co. Sheriff Rick Eberhardt, Deputy Sheriff Dan Hallock, Brian Moes, Sue Buckley, Co. Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Clerk of District Court Vickie Prince, Bridge Inspector Randy Stromberg 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 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. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The minutes of November 10, 2025 were approved as printed.

Bridge Inspector Randy Stromberg let the County Board know he has inspected 64 bridges in 2025 and presented a list of those that need immediate attention.

Brian Moes was present to discuss road issues he has on 548 Ave between his family farms. He asked the roads to be widened and maintained often. He would also like to see drivers slow down. The County Board asked Moes to clean up all machinery and gates that are within the county right-of-way immediately and no parking machinery or digging on the county roads.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to approve Resolution 2025-28 as follows:

RESOLUTION #2025 - 28

PIERCE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, a petition was filed with the County Clerk requesting that a public hearing date be set to consider the vacation or abandonment of 861 Rd between Sections 18 and 19 of South Dry Creek Township, in Pierce County, NE, also known as Township 27 North, Range 4 West of the 6th P.M., Pierce County, Nebraska.

WHEREAS, Nebraska State Statute 39-1722 requires that the Pierce County Board direct the Highway Superintendent to study the use of the road and submit a written report to the county board within thirty days.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County, Nebraska, that the Highway Superintendent is directed to complete a study of the use of the county road described above. A written report of the study findings and recommendations is to be submitted to the County Board within thirty days.

Adopted this 24th day of November, 2025, at Pierce, Nebraska

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Carl Martinson, District #3 Commissioner and 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 Steinkraus, seconded by Albers, to recommend approval to the NE Liquor Control Commission for the request of a designated liquor license for Pierce American Legion for an event at the Pierce Pavilion on Saturday, December 20, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to approve Pay Application #3 for the Hadar West/JEO Project #221896 with Theisen Construction for an amount of \$138,604.86. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the 2025 Christmas Holiday and the 2026 Holiday, Meeting and Pay dates.

Motion by Albers, seconded by Steinkraus, to amend and approve the 2025 Christmas Holiday days off as now working all day on Wednesday, December 24, 2025, but then taking all day off on Thursday, December 25 and Friday, December 26, 2025. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Steinkraus, seconded by Albers, to approve the Holidays, Meeting and Pay Claim Dates for 2026 as presented by the County Clerk. Roll call vote: Aye: Steinkraus, Albers and Martinson. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on hiring of a Hwy Supt, but no decision was made.

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

Discussion was held on problem roads and bridges that need inspection.

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 costs-\$2,540.10; Amazon Capital Services-supplies-\$305.93; Antelope County Sheriff-prisoner boarding-\$3,748.00; Avera Medical Group Pierce-prisoner medical-\$172.00; BCBS-health premiums-\$62,947.61; Buffalo County Sheriff-paper service-\$22.96; Cintas-supplies-\$7.62; Classic Carpet Care-service-\$208.87; Dollar General-supplies-\$63.35; FP Finance Program-lease-\$223.05; Jenkins Electric-repairs-\$735.55; Kate Jorgensen PC LLO-public defender-\$4,720.83; Caitlin Macke-reimbursed mileage-\$89.60; Midwest Bank-co share-\$5,352.91; NE Assn of Co. Assessors-registration-\$320.00; NE NE Juvenile Services Inc-boarding-\$4,050.00; NE HHSS-Oct. 2025 boarding-\$93.00; One Office Solutions-printer & office supplies-\$2,249.00; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-\$333.47; Physicians Laboratory-testing-\$6,050.00; Pierce Auto Repair LLC-repairs-\$139.31; Pierce County Leader-publishing-\$382.13; Pierce County Petty Cash-mileage, meals, postage, supplies-\$279.35; Pierce Pharmacy-prisoner meds-\$122.95; Pierce City-utilities-\$2,297.78; Platte Co Detention Facility-boarding-\$75.00; Prime Stop-gas-\$152.03; Quill-supplies-\$1,285.32; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$4,926.66; State of NE-network charges-\$46.00; Tiger Town-prisoner food-\$663.36; Tilden Drug-prisoner medical-\$26.27; Tom's Service LLC-gas-\$749.84; US Postal Service-meter mail-\$3,000.00; VISA-supplies-\$240.62; Western Oil Inc-gas-\$248.39; Whitey's Sprinklers-service-\$125.00; Payroll-\$71,608.17.

COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND: Akrs-repair parts-\$241.78; Allstar Parts LLC-repair parts-\$367.90; Altwine Hardware & Home LLC-supplies-\$695.36; B's Enterprises-signs-\$1,702.00; Backus Sand & Gravel-gravel-\$55,162.17; Bauer Built-repair parts-\$3,363.60; Bazile Aggregate Co LLC-gravel-\$41,544.29; Black Hills Energy-gas-\$53.63; BCBS-health premiums-\$2,433.28; C & N Firewood & Tree Removal LLC-tree trimming-\$9,665.00; Cintas-supplies-\$183.38; Classic Carpet Care-service-\$208.86; Fastwyre Broadband-service-\$113.92; Filtercare-repairs-\$31.30; Leiting Auto Supply-repair parts-\$263.37; Midwest Bank, NA-co share-\$2,726.28; N & B Gas Co-service-\$525.60; North Central PPD-utilities-\$200.10; Northwest Electric LLC-repairs-\$399.01; Osmond Mini Mart-gas-\$361.75; Pierce City-Utilities-\$215.09; Prince Auto Repair Inc-repairs-\$139.44; Randolph Farm Supply Inc-gas and oil-\$3,538.09; Retirement Plans Division of Ameritas Life Ins. Corp-co. share-\$2,411.17; Safety Kleen-repairs-\$265.22; Seth Williams Electric-repairs-\$5,165.00; Theisen Construction Inc-Pay App 3 for Hadar West Project-\$138,604.86; Tom's Service-gas-\$320.37; Truck Center Co-repair parts-\$30.38; Wattier's True Value-supplies-\$69.72; Western Oil Inc-gas-\$232.44; Payroll-\$37,037.49.

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

E911 FUND: Page My Cell-service-\$600.00.

E911 WIRELESS FUND: City of Norfolk-Oct 2025 service-\$130.48.

There being no further business, Chairman Martinson adjourned the meeting at 10:15 A.M. and will meet at a regular meeting on Monday, December 8, 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/ Chairman 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
