

PROCEEDINGS OF PIERCE COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 5, 2022

The Pierce County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on July 5, 2022. Chairman Christenson called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M., with members Brossart, Berg, Hoffert and Migler present.

Chairman Christenson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Hoffert and seconded by Berg, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Moved by Migler and seconded by Brossart, to accept the June minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

Moved by Berg and seconded by Hoffert to approve the Board of Equalization minutes. Motion carried.

Moved by Migler and seconded by Hoffert, to approve those bills previously paid and those yet unpaid were ordered paid. Motion carried.

Board reviewed Officer fee reports and hourly workers time sheets.

The Board discussed the elevator being out of order and that we are waiting to hear back from Otis Elevator of what the cost will be to replace the hydraulic plunger packing.

Hoffert informed the rest of the Board that the Township Transportation Fund Program Grant that he applied for was not approved.

Moved by Hoffert and seconded by Berg, to accept the financial report for the Month of June. Motion carried.

Moved by Berg and seconded by Hoffert to transfer \$100,000. from Highway Distribution Fund to Road & Bridge Fund. Motion carried.

Mike Graner, Jail Administrator, joined the meeting.

Moved by Migler and seconded by Berg, to approve Treasurer's checks #6237-6238, in the amount of \$2,050.00, for the month of June. Motion carried.

Josh Siegler, Pierce County Sheriff, joined the meeting.

Josh Siegler, Pierce County Sheriff, met and gave the board a report for the month of June, for his department. Total calls-43; Medical calls-none; Fire calls-1; Traffic accidents-2; Assist other agencies-6; Prisoner transports-4; Arrests-3 warrants; Citations-6; Papers served-16; Warrants served-3.

Board recessed to sit on the HACTC Board.

Mike Graner, Jail Administrator, HACTC, went over the bills for the month of June. Moved by Berg

and seconded by Brossart to approve those bills previously paid and those yet unpaid were ordered paid, for the month of June, for the HACTC. Motion carried.

Mike Graner, Jail Administrator, HACTC, gave the board a report on the inmate population at the jail facility for June, which was 82. June currently has 90 inmates. High 95. Bookings 49, Releases-46. Pierce County inmate population for June was 9. Deficit \$24,887.18, for the month of May. Personnel 23/24 officers, 2 interviews this week, 1 long-term deployment starting in September. Mike talked about the contracts they have, they can increase with cost of travel, but can't with food costs. They will have to increase next year. He talked about the problems other facilities are having with staffing issues and can happen anywhere. Graner reported that the tablet use has been highly utilized. The day room has been more quiet, phone averages 769 calls per day, compared to 500 per day.

Moved by Brossart and seconded by Berg, to approve the financial report for the month of June, for the HACTC. Motion carried.

Board reconvened at 8:55 A.M., with all members present.

Migler told the rest of the Board that they are cutting back the blade operators from 10 hours a week of overtime to 5 hours a week of overtime, due to rising costs of diesel. This will help to stay within the budget.

Auditor-Treasurer Migler presented the Pledge of Assets from Merchants Bank, Bremer Bank, Ramsey Bank and First Intl. Bank & Trust. Board reviewed the bank balances as of June 30, 2022. Moved by Hoffert and seconded by David Migler to approve the Pledge of Assets, as presented. Motion carried.

Board discussed the applicant for the Community Service position. Berg will line up a date and time for an interview. She will contact McHenry and Bottineau counties as to when the interview will be done.

A public hearing was held at 9:30 A.M. for a variance and permit, requested by Ryan Migler, for the construction of a shop, to be built within the recommended setbacks, located in the SE1/4SE1/4SE1/4 of Section 23, Township 155 North, Range 74 West. Moved by Hoffert and seconded by Brossart to approve the variance and permit. All in favor. Motion carried.

Galen J. Mack joined the meeting.

Board recessed at 10:00 A.M. to sit on the County Park Board.

Board reconvened at 10:07 A.M. with all members present.

Galen J. Mack, States Attorney, discussed with the Board, Ashley Berg's position as District 3 County Commissioner. Since Berg has moved, she will be done at the end of July. The commissioners can appoint someone by majority to serve the unexpired term. The appointee holds office until the appointee's successor is elected at the next general election, that occurs at least ninety-five days after the vacancy and successor has qualified. Commissioners will appoint someone to the Dist. 3 County Commissioner position at their next meeting.

Board briefly discussed the budget for 2023. They will discuss more at their July 19th meeting.

Jesse Brandvold, Wold Engineering, met and gave the Board an update on the parking lot paving project. Mayo Construction will be paving in the area in the next three weeks, so he will get an estimate for blacktop of the parking lot. He said they usually wait a year to chip it.

There being no further business, moved by Berg, seconded by Brossart, to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 A.M. Motion carried.

Karen Migler, Auditor-Treasurer
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Board of County Commissioners

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July 19, 2022

The Pierce County Board of County Commissioners met in special session on July 19, 2022. Chairman Christenson called the meeting to order at 7:30 A.M., with members Brossart, Berg, Hoffert and Migler present. Also present was David Bednarz.

Board reviewed departmental budgets and any correspondence received from department heads.

Rick Srur joined the meeting.

Allen McKay, LRDH Administrator and Ashley Peterson, newly hired LRDH Administrator, joined the meeting. Allen went over the proposed 2023 budget for his department. The Board asked Allen if they would be able to use some of the excess funds that are in the Health Unit fund, to pay the extra salary, in the public health office, for 6 months. Allen said as long as it doesn't affect their quarterly payments. Moved by Berg and seconded by Hoffert to pay the extra salary in the public health office, for 6 months, from the excess funds in the Health Unit fund. Upon roll call vote – Christenson-“Aye”, Brossart-“Aye”, Hoffert-“Aye”, Berg-“Aye”, Migler-“Aye”. Motion carried. Allen informed the Board that a joint board of county commissioners meeting, on the 2023 budget, will be held in September for Lake Reg. Dist. Health, by telephone conference.

Board continued to review departmental budgets.

There being no further business, moved by Hoffert to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 A.M. Seconded by Berg. Motion carried.

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JUNE EXPENDITURES

Pierce Co. Payroll Acct. \$83287.88, Pierce Co. Treas. \$707.41, Ingenuity RM \$180.53, Baltimore Co. \$833, Northern Plains Elec. \$148, NDTC \$861.18, Quadient \$382.97, NDTC \$1611.77, Pierce Co. Payroll Acct. \$102802.70, Pierce Co. Treas. \$821.13, EBIX \$29.76, AFLAC \$1204.36, SWS Credit Serv. \$100, JP Morgan \$1699.92, Colonial Life \$51.75, Otter Tail \$8082.64, Nationwide \$3298.03, Security Ben. \$1673.97, Pierce Co. Payroll Acct. \$36243.83, Pierce Co. Treas. \$311.68, ND PERS \$27171.41, NDPHIT \$71226.28, HACTC \$54658.94, ND PERS \$539.20, HACTC Resident Fund \$859, City of Rugby \$2326.14, Christenson, Mike \$139.23, Migler, Dave \$336.95, Rugby Serv. Ctr. \$2583.21, Mack Law \$393.60, Miron, Lori \$348.30, Siegler, Kelsey \$160.29, Drive Chevrolet \$73.14, Voeller, Melinda \$14, Advance Bus. Methods \$208.61, PRO IT \$125, Circle Sanitation \$156, Rugby Lawn & Tree Care \$475, Otis \$1896.96, Stein's \$360.68, Pierce Co. Tribune \$92.40, Pierce Co. Treas. \$61.52, Otter Tail \$1368.55, City of Rugby \$676.27, Gaffaney's \$295.50, Comp. Store \$163, Office Depot \$74.31, Quadient \$500, Rugby Ins. \$10864, ND Surplus Prop. \$155, Streicher's \$579, Light & Siren \$4647, HACTC \$9713.77, Office of Attny. Gen. \$520, Redwood Tox. Lab \$51.62, Pierce Co. 4-H Leaders \$700, Comp. Express \$1450, Wieler, Tanya \$1000, Isolved \$253.07, Susag Sand & Gravel \$1275.20, Pierce Co. Treasurer \$100, Rugby Hardware Hank \$499.44, Envision \$18518.04, Butler \$1631.23, RDO Trust \$6222.94, Dakota Fire Ext. \$106.50, Linde Gas \$142.34, Newman Signs \$992.96, ND Dept. of Enviro. Qual. \$400, Zacher, James \$80, Zeien, Paul \$122.27, Klebe, Brenden \$64.35, NDTC \$203.66, Polar Comm. \$6, Alexanter Twp \$10000, NDSU Ag Comm. \$24, Peters, Delaine \$46.48, Reinke, Lester Jay \$25.05, Fjellanger, Jeccica \$85.41, Elite Spraying \$65, ND Child Support Enforcement \$120

Grand Total \$482280.33