

IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met in executive session on Tuesday, October 2nd, at 8:00 a.m. in the Commissioners room of the Adams County Service Complex to hear an employee matter under I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(6)(A). Present were Commissioners: Kim Fruechte, and Doug Bauman; County Attorney, Mark Burry; and County Auditor, Mary Beery. Commissioner, Rex Moore, was absent. Jody Hirschy, employee of the Prosecuting Attorney; Renee Bradford and Jamie Wetter, employees of the Clerk's office; Adams County Clerk, Jim Voglewede; Attorney for Barnes and Thornburg, Mark Scudder, who served as facilitator; Cameron Smith, court reporter; and M. Laurie Miller, employee of the Clerk's office.

Documents were handed out and will become a matter of record. Nothing other than what was advertised was discussed and no decision was made. The Executive Session was off the record at 9:46 AM.

IN RE:ADJOURN

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, the executive session for October 2, 2018 was adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST:


Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met October 2, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Kim Fruechte, and Doug Bauman; County Attorney, Mark Burry; and County Auditor, Mary Beery. Commissioner, Rex Moore, was absent.

IN RE:MINUTES

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of the Adams County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for September 25, 2018. Motion carried.

IN RE:EMPLOYEE MATTER

Commissioner Bauman addressed Clerk employee, Laurie Miller, stating improvements need to be made.

Commissioner Bauman addressed Clerk, Jim Voglewede, expressing the importance that personnel policies be followed. Commissioner Bauman stated we cannot overstress the importance of excellent management, importance of document representation, and the policy of making sure documents are signed when meeting with employees.

In consideration of the employee matter of today, Commissioner Bauman stated, Laurie you will receive five days suspension without pay and will continue employment with Adams County beginning tomorrow.

Commissioner Fruechte added it is unacceptable that employees are not evaluated. Department heads must know what their employees are doing and handle the situation themselves.

IN RE:AUDITOR'S REPORT**Payroll Claims**

Upon a motion by, Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of the payroll claims totaling \$280,929.68 for the pay period ending September 21, 2018. Motion carried.

Claims

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of the claims totaling \$384,776.31 for the period 8/30/2018 to 9/19/2018. Motion carried.

Health Insurance

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of payment for the Health Insurance Allied Benefits Administrative Service and claims for October 2018. The breakdown of the claim is as follows: medical premium \$38,601.94; PPO fees \$882.50; admin fees \$2,195.84; and July RC ID fee \$22.50; for a premium total of \$41,702.78. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of payment to Findley for the work in progress regarding actuarial projections & report for Adams County, in the amount of \$1,157.50. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for Allied Health Insurance funding request for September 24, 2018, in the amount of \$56,790.03. Motion carried.

There is currently \$107,549.55 in the checking account and \$1,268,340.11 in the reserve account totaling \$1,375,889.66.

Workman's Compensation

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of paying out of the regular claim cycle the claim to Eastern Alliance Insurance Company (Workman's Comp), in the amount of \$1,110.30. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to accept into record the September 2018 report from the Treasurer of Adams County. Motion carried.

IN RE:

COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

Cumulative Bridge

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, reported on the following:

Phase 1 bridge reinspection has been completed by Butler Fairman & Seufert. Each of the 160 bridges over 20' in length have a four page printout as required and has recommendations for replacement and improvements. Reinspection will be completed again in 2020. There are 3 interim bridges that will have to be evaluated in 2019. The bridge reinspection reports were presented and made a matter of record.

Bridge B-117 – Located on county road 150 E and 500 S - one half of deck was poured yesterday and the other half will be poured tomorrow. The cement must cure for 7 days and they have experienced weather and contractor delays due to the weather.

Culvert C-404 - Located on county road 000 - Late yesterday afternoon Brooks was there to pave and Fleming will be there to place the shoulder stone.

Culvert C-271 - Located on county road 400 W between 750 N and 900 N - Luginbill Excavating has closed the area.

Maumee River Basin Commission

Rod Renkenberger, Maumee River Basin Commission, reported the US Geological Survey has already installed the more expensive monitoring equipment on the following bridges.

Bridge B-11 - Located on county road 1100 N just west of 550 W.

Bridge B-24 - Located on county road 100 E just south of 900 N.

The water quality in the western Lake Erie basin is highly suspect and being closely monitored. Mr. Renkenberger requested permission to install water level stream gauges at a cheaper cost at these locations. He would like to install water level stream gauges at a cost of \$1,200 to \$1,300. The US Geological Survey gauge instruments are quite a bit larger and come with a price of \$38,000. They are suspect to damage by flying snow and farm equipment. The gauge he would like to install takes a discharge quantity sampling and could be used for flood monitoring in the future. It measures the water volume as gallons of water running through the bridge and estimates what the flood potential would be. This will allow for a better early warning system and access can be given to multiple entities such as surveyor, EMA, IDEM, etc. He would like to co-locate them because they are portable and 1/8 of the cost of other instruments. The board asked whose responsibility in case of vandalism. Mr. Renkenberger replied this is being checked with the Commission's insurance.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to allow the Maumee River Basin Commission to install water level stream gauges at the requested locations and calculate the flood stage. Motion carried.

IN RE:

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Roads

Highway Superintendent, Lonnie Caffee, reported the following:

County road 350 N from Piqua road to the state line - 1 ½ mile has been paved and will check on driveway transitions.

County road 850 S between 400 W and state road 116 - hauling 800 ton of stone per day. There is mowing, road grading, and tree debris that needs to be removed in areas.

Boring Permits and Installation Requirements

CenturyLink – Located at county road 925 W and 500 N

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to approve the boring permit and installation requirements from CenturyLink. Motion carried.

AEP - Located from Mercer Avenue by the Decatur Church of God, continue down Salem Road and on county road 200 E then down to 124.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to approve the boring permit and installation requirements from AEP. Motion carried.

IN RE:

BUILDING MAINTENANCE REPORT

Building Maintenance Supervisor, Mike Stimpson, requested permission that all requests and tasks that need completed for his department come from the department head(s). The board was in agreement and Mr. Stimpson will email the department heads of the protocol.

The management training is enlightening and going well and is a work in progress.

Courthouse

His staff is changing all lights and cleaning the chandeliers at the Courthouse.

IN RE:

GUEST

Mrs. Fre'derique Green and her husband Mark were present during the meeting. Mrs. Green is doing a doctoral thesis on the topic of interaction between federal, state and local authorities with the Amish Communities.

IN RE:

ANCILLARY INSURANCES

Benefits Consultant with USI, Jody Kinsey, presented the renewals for the ancillary insurances for 2019 (life, vision, long term disability, and dental). Of the companies contacted Mutual of Omaha continues to offer the best rates for life and long term disability. Eye Med has agreed to hold the same rates as the current agreement. The dental plan

with Mutual of Omaha has a substantial increase in premiums. Ms. Kinsey recommended the board approves moving the dental benefit from Mutual of Omaha and changing to Sun Life.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of contracting with Mutual of Omaha for life and long term disability, Sun Life for dental benefits, and Eye Med for vision. Motion carried.

IN RE: BUILDING & PLANNING

Mark Wynn, Building & Plan Commission Director, presented the following subdivisions for approval:

Two lot subdivision known as the Replat of Lot 1 Daniel J Pyle Subdivision, located on County Road 200 N, in Washington Township.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, the Replat of Lot 1 Daniel J Pyle Subdivision was approved. Motion carried.

One lot subdivision known as the Moses K. Schwartz Subdivision, located on corner of County Road 100 E and 100 S, in Monroe Township.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, the Moses K. Schwartz Subdivision was approved. Motion carried.

One lot subdivision known as the Replat Lot #1 Lehman Subdivision #1, located on County Road 1150 N, in Union Township.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, the Replat Lot #1 Lehman Subdivision #1 was approved. Motion carried.

One lot subdivision known as the Feasel Subdivision, located on County Road 400 E south of 100 S, in Blue Creek Township.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, the Feasel Subdivision was approved. Motion carried.

IN RE: COURTHOUSE LAWN

Adams County resident, Fred Lengerich, requested permission to hold prayer on the Courthouse lawn on October 13th at noon. The service will last approximately 30 minutes and held by the Peace Monument. This annual public prayer will be a public square rosary crusade. All across the nation there will be over 100,000 people praying at the same time. This is in part of the America needs Fatima Organization.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, permission granted to hold a 30 minute prayer time on the Courthouse lawn by the Peace Monument on October 13th beginning at noon. Motion carried.

IN RE: INFORMATION SYSTEMS

IT Director, Mike Brown, stated he is looking for additional help with law enforcement where it deals with IT. This individual would be able to help with lower end IT tasks as well. His department is growing and has taken on all cities and towns except Berne. This includes but not limited to fire and police. He is looking to pay the employee at a wage of \$70,000 to \$85,000. Mr. Brown requested approval to fill the position in his department. The job description for this position was submitted for the record.

Attorney Burry stated the process will need to be established and the position advertised. The position will be a professional appointed position and will require a contract.

IN RE: GOLDEN MEADOWS HOME

Application for Admission

Golden Meadows Home Administrator, Kris Nichols, submitted an application for admission to the home of an Adams County male. Berne Police contacted her that the gentleman was camping out at the clock tower in Berne. This individual will be private pay with the possibility of applying for ARCH. The home currently houses 8 males and 10 females.

Upon a motion Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to approve the admittance of an Adams County male. Motion carried.

IN RE: ORDINANCE 2018-10

County Attorney, Mark Burry, presented for consideration amendments to Adams County Ordinance 2018-10, the Adams County Health Ordinance for onsite sewage systems.

Ordinance 2018-10, an ordinance of the Board of Commissioners, County of Adams, State of Indiana, revoking and replacing the Adams County Indiana Sewage Ordinance was proposed and introduced. This amends and restates in its entirety replacing the Adams County Sewer Ordinance.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to approve and adopt Ordinance 2018-10. Motion carried.

IN RE: RIGHT-OF-WAY

Attorney Burry presented a Quit Claim Deed releasing all right, title, and interest of Adams County to the City of Berne for the north side of Parr Road to county road 000. City of Berne Attorney, David Baumgartner, asked that the Commissioners sign the deed. There are three legal descriptions with the following acreage:

Tract #1	0.723 acres
Tract #2	0.253 acres
Tract #3	0.572 acres

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to approve signing the Quit Claim Deed releasing all right, title, and interest of Adams County to the City of Berne for the three tracts. Motion carried.

IN RE:

ADJOURN

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, the meeting for October 2, 2018 was adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST:


Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor


Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner


Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman

Rex Moore, Commissioner