

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met October 16, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Rex Moore, Kim Fruechte, and Doug Bauman; County Attorney, Mark Burry; and County Auditor, Mary Beery.

IN RE:

MINUTES

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the Adams County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for October 9, 2018. Motion carried.

**Payroll Claims**

Upon a motion by, Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the payroll claims totaling \$279,683.59 for the pay period ending October 5, 2018. Motion carried.

**Claims**

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the claims totaling \$433,896.92 for the period 9/20/2018 to 10/3/2018. Motion carried.

**Health Insurance**

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for Allied Health Insurance funding request for October 8, 2018, in the amount of \$43,751.22 (Medical \$43,751.22 & Pharmacy \$0.00); and the Allied Health Insurance funding request for October 15, 2018, in the amount of \$33,698.35 (Medical \$141,889.64 & Pharmacy \$18,883.62 & Cash Advance Credit \$127,074.91); totaling \$77,449.57. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of payment for the October 2018 consulting fee with Shafley Plan Management in the amount of \$2,916.67. Motion carried.

There is currently \$189,186.45 in the checking account and \$1,570,522.35 in the reserve account totaling \$1,759,708.80. All health insurance accounts are at First Bank of Berne and the First Merchant Bank accounts are closed.

The updated draft actuarial report for estimating the 2019 health plan budget was submitted. The combined employee and employer contributions along with the projected reserves available at the end of 2018 should be more than sufficient to fund the health insurance in 2019. Allied and Shafley Plan Management are working on language that may address the need to accommodate utilizing Parkview when services are not available at In-Network facilities. The board was asked to confirm it is the intent of the Commissioners to allow for these potential services to be covered as if they are In-Network (up to Usual and Customary) if the service cannot be performed by other In-Network Providers. Both parties will also continue to assess the value of a larger network (more providers to access and if discounts are lost/gained).

Auditor Beery readdressed the board on making a decision on setting the premiums paid by employees on the health plan. Consensus of the board at last week's meeting was to make a decision this week.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of keeping the insurance rates paid by employees at the current 2018 rate for health insurance. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to increase the premiums 10 % for retirees. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to approve utilizing Parkview for potential services to be covered as if they are In-Network if the service cannot be performed by other In-Network Providers. Motion carried.

IN RE:

BANK ACCOUNTS

The Auditor shared an email from the Chief Deputy Treasurer, Kathy LaFontaine, concerning the banking process now that the county has changed our main operating checking account from First Merchants Bank to First Bank of Berne. Departments need to notify any government entity, business, credit card company, or person that we receive money from electronically to update our bank information when sending us their next payment.

The old bank account at First Merchants Bank will remain open, however we want to get as many updated as possible by January 2019. If we are still receiving money after the first of the year, the department will be contacted.

**Workman's Compensation**

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of paying out of the regular claim cycle the claim to Eastern Alliance Insurance Company (Workman's Comp), in the amount of \$657.81. Motion carried.

**Animal Shelter**

The Adams County Commissioners accepted into the record, the September 2018 report from Animal Shelter Directors, Charlie and Carol Bowers. This report states that they had sheltered 6 dogs and 15 cats with 3 being claimed and 0 adoptions. Zero animals were euthanized, and the Animal Shelter is currently housing 18 animals.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the Animal Shelter report for September 2018 into the record. Motion carried.

**Animal Control**

The Animal Control report for July was received from Animal Control Officer, Chad Sprunger, reporting that 6 dogs, 6 kittens, and 9 cats had been picked up from September 11, 2018 to September 29, 2018. Total mileage was 422 miles at \$.44 per mile for a total of \$185.68.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the September 2018 report as submitted by Animal Control Officer, Chad Sprunger. Motion carried.

IN RE: JOB ANALYSIS QUESTIONNAIRES

The Auditor informed the board all of the Job analysis questionnaires have been submitted except for two offices who are completing them. All documents will be scanned in and forwarded to New Focus HR.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT**Cumulative Bridge**

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, submitted for signature the contract with Reinhart Landscaping along with the certificate of insurance and E-Verify affidavit. The contract is for seeding and landscaping after the sidewalk is installed by Liter Concrete at Chapel Chase and Peacekeepers Way for \$2,999.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve signing the contract with Reinhart Landscaping. Motion carried.

Mr. Barkey reported on the following:

Bridge B-117 - Located on county roads 150 E and 500 S - Contractor is going to place the surface asphalt today, and the guardrail and final cleanup will take place tomorrow.

Culvert C-271 - Located on county road 400 W between 750 N and 900 N - Contractor placed the base asphalt this morning. Hopefully the area will be slated for the Community Crossing Grant for future repair. Luginbill will be cleaned up and out on Thursday and the area will be opened.

**Roads**

Mr. Barkey mentioned on Federal aid road projects the process takes a minimum of 5 years before you see pavement on the ground. Utilizing the Community Crossings money would complete the project 5 years sooner.

The board asked how the mud road (800 N) was progressing. Mr. Barkey replied he has one culvert to bid yet this year then he will begin working on this road.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT**Boring Permit**

Assistant Highway Superintendent, Dick Beard, submitted for approval a boring permit and installation requirements from CenturyLink at the intersection of county road 700 N and 300 E.

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

**Roads**

Mr. Beard reported the crew is building road base for chip and seal on county roads 850 S and 300 W and on state road 116. They have approximately 4,000 tons of #73 stone to haul base for chip and seal for 2019. Then they will begin on county roads 750 S, 300 W, and 400 W.

**Department**

The crew is running the brush boom mower, two backhoe crews are out, and they are getting the bermer ready.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE REPORT

Building Maintenance Supervisor, Mike Stimpson, submitted the final follow up with New Focus on his completed management training.

**Courthouse**

Last week, Bob Adams of Bob's Locksmith, came to his office with a bill. Mr. Stimpson had not ordered anything and noticed the bill came from the Clerk's Office. Mr. Stimpson addressed the issue with Clerk, Jim Voglewede, who said he needed a new lock. Mr. Stimpson told him usually it comes before Mike before action is taken. Mr. Stimpson wanted to bring the situation to the board's attention and questioned who pays the claim.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, Clerk, Jim Voglewede, must pay the claim out of his own budget funds. Motion carried.

IN RE: GOLDEN MEADOWS**Monthly Report**

Golden Meadows Home Administrator, Kris Nichols, presented the September 2018 Golden Meadows monthly report stating that there were currently 28 residents at Golden Meadows. The report shows \$22,935.58 was received in room and board funds with two admissions. There are currently 18 males and 10 females at the home.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the Golden Meadows report for September 2018 as presented. Motion carried.

IN RE: BUILDING & PLANNING**Subdivision**

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

One lot subdivision known as the John N. Schwartz Subdivision, located on corner of County Road 200 S, in Monroe Township.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded Rex Moore, the John N. Schwartz Subdivision was approved. Motion carried.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded Rex Moore, the meeting for October 16, 2018 was adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor

  
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Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner

  
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Rex Moore, Commissioner

  
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Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman

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