

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met February 11, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Doug Bauman and Kim Fruechte; 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 February 4, 2020 were approved. Motion carried.

IN RE: SAVE ON ENERGY COSTS

Rick Anderson of Johnson Melloh Solutions, met with the board as County Council gave permission to move forward with the energy savings project. He will forward the RFQ (request for qualification) and RFP (request for proposal) to the County Auditor and Attorney. Mr. Anderson stated most parties get a third party lease or the project can be a bond. The project can be budget neutral where your utility savings funds the project. There are no upfront expenses until a contract is signed.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval to give Johnson Melloh Solutions permission to move ahead. Motion carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

**Geneva Chamber of Commerce**

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to approve the 2020 membership renewal application for \$75.00. Motion carried.

**Animal Shelter**

The Adams County Commissioners accepted into the record, the January 2020 report from Animal Shelter Directors, Charlie and Carol Bowers. This report states that they had sheltered 3 dogs and 7 cats with 0 being claimed and 3 adoptions. Zero animals were euthanized, and the Animal Shelter is currently housing 7 animals. There was \$20.00 receipted into the County General fund.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to accept the Animal Shelter report for January 2020 into the record. Motion carried.

**Health Insurance**

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of the Allied Health Insurance funding renewal request for February 10, 2020, in the amount of \$48,147.69 (Medical \$24,429.06 & Pharmacy \$40,282.66 & Stop Loss Reimbursement \$18,439.03 & Reversed EFT's \$125). Motion carried.

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 January and February 2020. The breakdown of the claim is as follows: January medical premium \$49,412.93; PPO fees \$1,020.25; admin fees \$2,541.76; November RC ID fee \$7.50; Allied annual fee \$7,500.00; annual bank fee \$3,000.00. February medical premium \$48,503.31; PPO fees \$996.00; admin fees \$2,481.60; December RC ID fee \$25.00, for a premium total of \$115,488.35. Motion carried.

There is currently a combined total of \$2,183,303.75 in the checking and reserve accounts.

**Utilities**

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of the utility claims totaling \$35,572.56 for the claims that were paid 2/10/2020. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

**Culvert C-411**

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, presented a letter from Brent Luginbill of Luginbill Excavating respectfully asking permission to withdraw their bid from the culvert C-411 project, located on Piqua Road over Gerke Ditch. This was due to a \$17,000 mistake on their behalf as they did not include the price of the culvert.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to accept the request and grant permission to withdraw the bid. Motion carried.

Mr. Barkey said that A. Landon Excavating submitted a bid but the paperwork was not complete. The non-collusion affidavit was not signed and they did not include their financial statement.

Mr. Barkey recommended the project be awarded to Jutte Excavating as the second lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to accept the bid from Jutte Excavating as the second lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Motion carried.

**Bridge B-133**

The plans are ready and will be opened on March 17<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. The project is located on 000 between 500 S and 550 S. Mr. Barkey will add verbiage on time frame with completion before harvest time.

**350 W**

Mr. Barkey has been putting a plan together to widen between Winchester Road up to US Highway 27. Cross sections are needed to allow a good bid on the work that needs to be completed. Wemhoff Land Surveying will complete a field survey of the cross sections.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to approve Wemhoff Land Surveying to complete a field survey of the cross sections. Motion carried.

**South Adams Trails bridge**

The contractor did not get the bridge off the trail due to high water. The power is off in that segment and the contractor is working with AEP to turn the power back on when there is a need for electricity. Mr. Barkey doubts the removal will happen this week.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

**Roads**

Highway Superintendent, Lonnie Caffee, reported it began snowing Sunday afternoon and it stopped around 6 p.m. then began to melt due to the rain. On Monday the crew was out checking intersections and laying stone to handle the slick spots. The department had salt hauled in and they are mixing it with sand and a liquid to help to keep from freezing.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

**Courthouse**

Building and Grounds Supervisor, Rick Burkhalter, reported Circuit Court has three bathrooms that need fixed. One needs to have a waterline moved up to the bathroom. The Commissioners instructed him to get quotes.

**Service Complex**

The generator has not been inspected every month as needed but it has been inspected annually. Mr. Burkhalter will begin having it inspected on a monthly basis.

The air conditioning went out in the IT server room and a new unit was installed today by Don Myers Heating and Plumbing. Mr. Burkhalter asked for direction on paying the \$13,157.38 claim. The board instructed him to pay the invoice out of the Cumulative Capital Development, Equipment Repair budget line.

IN RE: PROBATION

Chief Probation Officer, Jack Odle, requested permission to replace a secretary position due to termination.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to replace the secretary position. Motion carried.

Mr. Odle updated the board on the events of the Probation Department (on file in the Auditor’s Office). Due to the increasing budget of User Fees which averaged a loss of \$1,712.04 per month, they are going to increase the User Fees by \$5. This will give them a potential increase in funding of \$1,320 per month. The judge can assess an additional fee for drug testing per State law.

**Justice Partners Judicial Grant**

Judge, Pat Miller; Prosecutor, Jeremy Brown; and Chief Probation Officer, Jack Odle, met with board to report on a grant. The Justice Partners Judicial Grant has opened a second time around for filing and Pre-Trial is acceptable. They will take advantage of this opportunity and file for a second grant.

IN RE: BUILDING & PLANNING

**Monthly Report**

Mark Wynn, Building and Plan Commission Director, presented the monthly report for January 2020 showing that there had been:

TYPE OF PERMIT	NUMBER OF PERMITS	DOLLAR VALUE OF PERMITS
Residential Additions	1	\$17,500
Unattached Buildings	3	\$69,800
Addition to Unattached Buildings	1	\$40,000
New Electrical Service	2	\$2,000
Electrical Upgrade	3	\$65,023
Remodels	1	\$20,000
<b>Total Permits</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Total dollar value \$214,323</b>

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to approve the monthly report for January 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

IN RE: GOLDEN MEADOWS

Kris Nichols, Golden Meadows Home Administrator, was not present.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney, Mark Burry, had nothing to report.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, the meeting for February 11, 2020 was adjourned. Motion carried.

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

Kim A. Fruechte  
Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner

Rex Moore, Commissioner  
Douglas L. Bauman  
Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman