

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met February 18, 2020 at 10:00 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 11, 2020 were approved. Motion carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of the payroll claims totaling \$305,290.48 for the pay period ending February 7, 2020. Motion carried.

Claims

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of the claims totaling \$265,577.38 to be paid 2/19/2020. Motion carried.

Health Insurance

The Allied Health Insurance funding request for February 17, 2020, with a credit amount of \$21,254.77 (Medical \$10,790.25 & Pharmacy \$0.00 & Stop Loss Reimbursement \$32,045.02). The credit amount of \$21,254.77 will be applied to our next funding request.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, for approval of payment for the March 2020 consulting fee with Shafley Plan Management in the amount of \$2,916.67. Motion carried.

Clerk of Circuit Court Monthly Report

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to accept into the record the January 2020 report from the Clerk of the Adams County Circuit Court. Motion carried.

Weights and Measures Report

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to accept into the record the report by Larry Weaver, Weights and Measures Director, for the period January 16, 2020 to February 15, 2020 stating there had been 8 inspections, with 8 correct and 0 rejected. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

Bridge B-177

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, reported repairs have been made on bridge B-177, located on 200 E north of US 224 by the (REV) Fleetwood Plant. Fleming Excavating has addressed scour issues under the bridge and hauled in two loads of riprap.

County Road 800 N

Draft plans have been drawn and Mr. Barkey is reviewing them to come up with right-of-way widths and hopes to have it done in a couple of weeks. This is a mud road which stone will be laid then it will be chip and sealed in the future. Once all is in order Mr. Barkey will get with Mark Burry on necessary acquisition(s).

Road School

Everyone is signed up for road school and there is a dinner invitation with Butler, Fairman & Seufert on Wednesday night. Mr. Barkey will register all who wants to attend.

Design Project on 1100 S

Commissioner Bauman reported on the design project on 1100 S. The area is located past the cemetery east of the Wabash River in Geneva. There is excessive water from the river overflow and getting closer to the road. Cardno out of Indianapolis, Indiana was awarded to do the design work which is near \$50,000. A contract from the Cardno Design and Engineering Firm was received and Attorney Burry was asked to review. There is a grant for the design and a second part for construction. There will be approximately \$100,000 for construction, right-of-way, and easements.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Roads

Highway Superintendent, Lonnie Caffee, and Assistant Highway Superintendent, Brad Yoder, reported the following:

500 E between 1100 N and 1200 N – There is a utility that has 10 – 12 power poles on the west side of the road and one is in the middle of a tile. Said utility has put stone around the pole. Lonnie will contact the utility to address why poles are in the side ditch.

1200 S around 350 to 400 E – Have been pursuing getting a permit from the Department of Natural Resources for 5 to 6 months. Mr. Caffee had to seek the approval of 4 State offices. The fourth office has some concerns so Mr. Caffee will meet with them. They will recommend how to approach the situation. The road will be in jeopardy if nothing is done.

Buggy Plates

Buggy plates will be sold from March 1 to May 15, 2020. Mr. Caffee recommends the price remain the same at \$120 per plate. Farm implements that are drawn by a horse are exempt but a buggy and wagon must be plated. The Saturday date has not been set to date.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Courthouse

Building and Grounds Supervisor, Rick Burkhalter, had nothing to report.

IN RE: WORKER'S COMPENSATION RENEWAL

The Workers Compensation Proposal Deductible Plan document with Eastern Alliance Insurance Group was submitted for signature. The plan is effective February 9, 2020 through February 9, 2021. Doug Nelson, of Bixler Insurance, was in attendance to answer any questions as he is the agent for Adams County. The pricing is contingent on payroll and the premium is estimated on payroll. The renewal came in at \$74,810 and that is down from \$80,156 from last year. The rates have dropped a little statewide and mostly coming from the experience mod dropping.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to approve the quote and continue coverage with Bixler's Insurance for the Workers Compensation Proposal Deductible Plan document with Eastern Alliance Insurance Group. Motion carried.

IN RE: GOLDEN MEADOWS

Kris Nichols, Golden Meadows Home Administrator submitted an application for admission to the home of a 60 year-old Adams County female. She has been living with her daughter and children but it is too much for the daughter. She has been assessed twice by Kris Nichols with the Director of Nursing participating in one of the assessments. Arch will supplement her keep with room and board. This brings the total of residents at the home to 31.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to approve the admittance of an Adams County female based on recommendation of Kris Nichols. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORT

Ordinance 2020-2

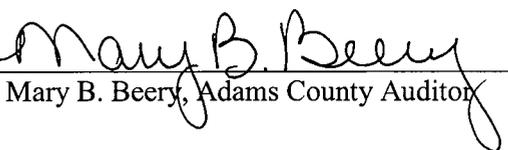
Ordinance 2020-1, an ordinance of the Board of Commissioners, County of Adams, State of Indiana, which amends the capital improvement plan for Adams County, Indiana, for the calendar years 2020-2021 was introduced by County Attorney, Mark Burry. The Commissioners requested the percent for economic development be changed from 13% to 14%.

Upon a motion Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, Ordinance 2020-1 was introduced and tabled until the next meeting. Motion carried.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, the meeting for February 18, 2020 was adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST:


Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor


Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner

Rex Moore, Commissioner


Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman