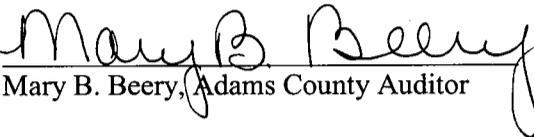


IN RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Adams County Commissioners held an executive session in the Commissioners room of the Adams County Service Complex on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 beginning at 8:00 a.m., to hear an employee matter under I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(6)(A). Nothing other than what was advertised was discussed and no decision was made.

Present were Commissioners; Rex Moore , Kim Fruechte, and Doug Bauman; County Attorney, Mark Burry; and Adams County Auditor, Mary Beery.

ATTEST: 
Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met January 7, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Rex Moore, Doug Bauman, and Kim Fruechte; County Attorney, Mark Burry; and County Auditor, Mary Beery.

IN RE: COMMISSIONERS**Reorganize**

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to approve Doug Bauman as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2020. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman, seconded by Rex Moore, to approve Kim Fruechte as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2020. Motion carried.

Board of Commissioners Appointments for 2020

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, the following listing of Commissioners responsibilities on the following board assignments for 2020 were approved. Motion carried.

Kim Fruechte:

Economic Development
Extension Board
Emergency Management Advisory Board
Chamber Of Commerce Industrial Division
Highway
Adams County Solid Waste
Maumee-River Basin Commission
Upper-Wabash River Basin Commission
Adams County Council on Aging
Monthly Mayors and Commissioners Caucus in Fort Wayne
Drainage Board

Doug Bauman:

Work One
Jail
Humane Shelter
Bi-County Services
Plan Commission
Highway
Adams County Solid Waste
Maumee-River Basin Commission
Upper-Wabash River Basin Commission
Public Records Commission
Adams County Public Defender Board
Monthly Mayors and Commissioners Caucus in Fort Wayne
Drainage Board

Rex Moore:

Hospital Board
Non-Voting Member of the Parks and Recreation Board
Adams County Child Protection Team
Wage Scale Committee
Health Board
Golden Meadows
Joint Drainage Board of DeKalb and Allen Counties
Highway
Adams County Solid Waste
Maumee-River Basin Commission
Upper-Wabash River Basin Commission
IT Committee
Monthly Mayors and Commissioners Caucus in Fort Wayne
Drainage Board

Consideration of Appointments

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to approve the appointment of the following individual. Motion carried.

Commissioners	Grounds & Facility Manager	1/8/20	12/31/2020	Rick Burkhalter
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IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the Adams County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for December 30, 2019 were approved. Motion carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the payroll claims totaling \$298,306.46 for the pay period ending December 27, 2019. Motion carried.

Claims

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the claims totaling \$525,223.22 except the claims to Quality Correctional Care totaling \$52,933.32 leaving \$472,289.90 to be paid 1/8/2020. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept into record the December 2019 report from the Treasurer of Adams County. Motion carried.

Animal Shelter

The Adams County Commissioners accepted into the record, the November 2019 report from Animal Shelter Directors, Charlie and Carol Bowers. This report states that they had sheltered 7 dogs and 8 cats with 5 being claimed and 1 adoption. Zero animals were euthanized, and the Animal Shelter is currently housing 9 animals. There was \$100.00 receipted into the County General fund.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to accept the Animal Shelter report for November 2019 into the record. Motion carried.

The December 2019 report from Animal Shelter Directors, Charlie and Carol Bowers was also received. This report states they had sheltered 12 dogs and 7 cats with 5 being claimed and 1 adoption. Zero animals were euthanized, and the animal shelter is currently housing 13 animals. There was \$100.00 receipted into the County General fund.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to accept the Animal Shelter report for December 2019 into the record. Motion carried.

Commissioner's Certificate Tax Sale – SRI

The board was asked to set a minimum amount for each bidder if property is purchased at the Commissioner's certificate tax sale.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of keeping same Addendum with SRI increasing the vendor fee to \$75.00. Motion carried.

Health Insurance

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the Allied Health Insurance funding renewal request for January 6, 2020, in the amount of \$4,702.56 (Medical \$26,042.37 & Pharmacy \$0.00 & Stop Loss Reimbursement \$21,339.81). Motion carried.

Election Official's Bond

The public official bond from the Ohio Casualty Insurance Company for County Treasurer, Tom Krueckeberg, was submitted for approval, in the amount of \$300,000.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the public official bond from the Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, in the amount of \$300,000, for County Treasurer, Tom Krueckeberg. Motion carried.

Indiana Association of County Commissioner's Claim

Auditor Beery asked for approval of the annual claim of \$950.00 for the 2020 county dues to the Indiana Association of County Commissioner's.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the claim to the Indiana Association of County Commissioner's. Motion carried.

Data Pit Stop, Inc.

Auditor Beery requested approval to contract with Data Pit Stop, Inc., for the excise (BMV excise, watercraft, aircraft, and lottery) tax program. This is a website application service program which will make the excise calculation process easier. The program extracts property addresses, not mailing, out of our MVP tax program then puts them in the correct township. Currently, we are having to look up everyone in the tax program on an individual basis who has paid excise. Then we put them in the correct taxing district so each taxing district gets the correct monies at settlement. This program will also be instrumental in the homestead deduction process. We will be able to compare the address where they got their plates with the address they are using to receive the homestead deduction. If an individual does not appear

in our tax program, the excise program will compare the voter registration history with the license plate address. The program will allow us to run statistic reports at a faster pace than our current tax program.

The one-time fee for the excise management program is \$6,000 with no contract to sign. All support and training is at no cost to the county. Updates are done regularly as we upload our data to the website which will always keep us up to date.

Auditor Beery has contacted IT Director, Mike Brown, and he has advised that the program is acceptable. Mrs. Beery will ask Council for an additional appropriation to manage the costs out of the transfer fee fund. The fund has a balance in excess of \$35,000.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval to enter into an agreement with Data Pit Stop with the monies to come out of the transfer fee fund. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

Cumulative Bridge

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, reported the following meetings he will be attending.

January 22 – 24, 2020 – Land surveyor conference at the Grand Wayne Center in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of Tim Barkey attending the land surveyor's conference. Motion carried.

February 6, 2020 - Storm Water Conference at Purdue in West Lafayette, Indiana.

South Adams Trails

On Thursday, Tim Barkey will be joining the inspector for the trail project to look at the pieces that are being rehabilitated for one of the old river bridges. Later this month the contractor will be removing the northerly bridge and setting it off to the side. They will take the bridge apart on dry land. The contractor is coordinating with AEP to shut the power off.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Permits & Installation Requirements

Highway Superintendent, Lonnie Caffee, submitted a permit and installation requirements from NIPSCO to run a gas line for the Dollar General Store, located on State Road 124 and ending at County Road 50 N.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the permit and installation requirements from NIPSCO. Motion carried.

General Information

Mr. Caffee presented a copy of the encumbrances he is submitting for 2019.

W A Jones is estimating the trucks to be delivered mid to late February 2020.

Roads

The roads have been soft and the crew is hauling stone on the soft and muddy areas. They are cutting wood debris on County road 1200 S and installing pipes on 200 W.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Nothing reported.

IN RE: HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Sanitarian, Jessica Bergdall, and Environmentalist, Nathan Scherer, requested permission to travel to Mercer County. The Amish population is growing in their county and Mercer County has asked that they speak on February 25th on how Adams County is handling the field environmental work.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for permission to go to Mercer County as a part of an educational service. Motion carried.

IN RE: SHERIFF

Sheriff, Dan Mawhorr, asked the board to amend the minutes of November 19, 2019 to state that sealed bids were taken and received for the three vehicles and equipment. The minutes of November 19, 2019 read, "Sheriff, Dan Mawhorr, presented for approval the USDA Grant Application. They will purchase three cars with all of the equipment and the grant is for \$44,400 and the \$82,559 will be the county's portion. He projects the grant to be approved by the end of January and then the cars can be ordered." The sheriff stated Federal regulations require additional verbiage for the grant. Attorney, Mark Burry, stated you cannot amend minutes that were formerly approved. The sheriff and attorney are going to look into the requirements.

IN RE: BUILDING & PLANNING

Subdivision

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

RVR Subdivision / 1 lot / Kirkland Township Sec 26 / north of the corner of County Roads 500 W and 100 N.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to approve the RVR Subdivision. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORT

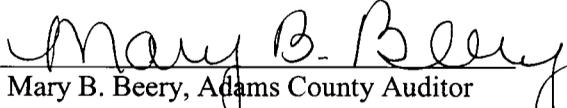
Attorney, Mark Burry, had nothing to report.

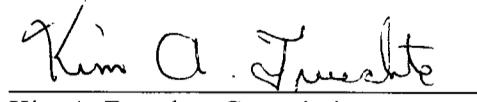
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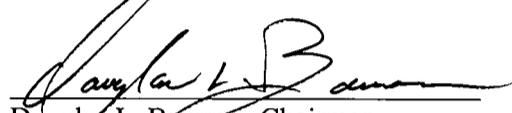
Upon a motion Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, the meeting for January 7, 2020 was adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST:


Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor


Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner

Rex Moore, Commissioner


Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman