

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met June 23, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Doug Bauman, Kim Fruechte, and Rex Moore; 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 June 16, 2020 with the following correction in red under Veteran Service Officer. Motion carried. Commissioner Bauman reported the veteran numbers on behalf of VSO, Ron Bollenbacher. In 2019, there were 1,438 disabled veterans and approximately \$4,654,000 disability compensation came back to Adams County. In 2018, there were 1,487 disabled veterans. Motion carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the payroll claims totaling \$317,939.11 for the pay period ending June 12, 2020. Motion carried.

Claims

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the claims totaling \$1,357,140.76 to be paid 6/24/20. 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 June 22, 2020, in the amount of \$42,374.65 (Medical \$3,976.40 & Pharmacy \$38,717.45 & Recovered Refund Credit \$319.20). Motion carried.

Clerk of Circuit Court Monthly Report

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

Animal Control

The Animal Control reports for February through May 2020 was received from Animal Control Officer, Chad Sprunger.

February

Reporting that 6 dogs and 9 cats had been picked up from February 1, 2020 to February 29, 2020. Total mileage was 465 miles at \$.44 per mile for a total of \$204.60.

Upon a motion Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the February 2020 report. Motion carried.

March

Reporting that 9 dogs and 1 cat had been picked up from March 1, 2020 to March 28, 2020. Total mileage was 243 miles at \$.44 per mile for a total of \$106.92.

Upon a motion Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the March 2020 report. Motion carried.

April

Reporting that 28 dogs and 2 cats had been picked up from April 1, 2020 to April 30, 2020. Total mileage was 420 miles at \$.44 per mile for a total of \$184.80.

Upon a motion Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the April 2020 report. Motion carried.

May

Reporting that 6 dogs, 1 puppy, 1 kitten, and 6 cats had been picked up from May 1, 2020 to May 20, 2020. Total mileage was 288 miles at \$.44 per mile for a total of \$126.72.

Upon a motion Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the May 2020 report. Motion carried.

COVID-19 EXPENSES – RAINY DAY

To date there has been \$30,267.67 spent on COVID expenses.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

Cumulative Bridge

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, reported that a culvert needs to be added to the scour erosion projects. Culvert C-383 located at Peterson south of 500 N on 400 W. The following are the bridge locations that were reported last week that showed scour and erosion problems. B-23 900 N east of 100 E, B-51 450 N west of 600 E, B-93 Van Buren Street Monroe south of 100 N. The bids will be opened on July 7, 2020.

There are 3 bridges located over rivers in the county; 2 over the Wabash River and 1 over the St. Mary's River. Mr. Barkey requested he be allowed to speak with engineering firms to see what it would take to get permits and supply plans and specifications to fix. He has spoken with the inspecting engineer on a remedy. It will take detailed plans and permits from the Army Corp of Engineers, DNR, IDEM. The request will be a process but in the long run should

eliminate special inspections required throughout the bridge inspection reports. Will most likely place rip rap around bridge piers. The permits and engineering will be costly and will be paid out of Cumulative Bridge. Mr. Barkey requested permission to get information from firms on their qualifications and time schedule they can complete the information. The award will be contingent on the engineer's qualifications and schedule. It will take approximately a month to get the information gathered. Fees will not be discussed, as it will be based on qualifications and schedule. The information will be discussed on August 4, 2020. The bridges are as follows:

B-150 over Wabash River east of Geneva on 1050 S (old State Road 116)

B-152 over Wabash River on the road down from the covered bridge

B-501 over St. Mary's River on Jackson Street in Decatur

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for permission to proceed on getting info/qualifications from firms. Motion carried.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

MVH/Local Road & Street

Highway Superintendent, Brad Yoder, presented the monthly MVH and Local Road & Street report to the Commissioners stating the MVH and the LRS funds have decreased from last year.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the June 2020 MVH and Local Road & Street report into record. Motion carried.

The funds received will be down 18% to 20% for 2021 according the DLGF.

Department

Mr. Barkey is looking at getting Community Crossings funding for a bridge at the same time as the Highway Department does for roads, which will be in January 2021.

Mr. Yoder has requested three bids for a new building at the department. The bids are due July 7th and will be opened on July 14th. There have been 2,040 buggy plates sold and there are 150 to go. They are planning to begin chip and seal on Monday. The second coat of dust control will start today weather permitting. The crew is mowing side ditches.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Building and Grounds Supervisor, Rick Burkhalter, reported the shredding of confidential documents is this Thursday. Koorsen checked the fire extinguishers at the Courthouse and Complex.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Mark Burry, presented the financing documents for the lease purchase for equipment for the uninterrupted powers supplies (UPS). The Indiana Bond Bank sends out documents to get the best interest rate. Funds are budgeted for 2020 and will need to budget moving forward. US bank had the best interest rate of 1.776% for 5 years. The first payment of \$15,794.13 will be due May 1, 2021. All payments of \$15,794.13 will be due annually on May 1st of each year. The total of the 5-year lease is \$75,150.

Request Vacation Waiver

The following request for a policy waiver to rollover scheduled vacation was submitted for approval; Superior Court Reporter, Jan Hurst. Mark Burry confirmed with Judge Miller that she had worked on the scheduled days.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of Jan Hurst's 5.5-day request as long as the time is used by the end of the year. Motion carried.

IT

Commissioner Moore mentioned a 3-year lease with McAfee for network virus protection. It needs approved by the end of the month. The total cost is \$115,715.36 and broken down to three annual payments of \$39,000. We can have as many devices as we want. The board tabled approval until next week for Mark Burry to look it over.

RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, the meeting for June 23, 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