

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met August 4, 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 Adams County Auditor, Mary Beery.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the Adams County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for July 28, 2020. 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 \$307,850.45 for the pay period ending July 24, 2020. Motion carried.

Claims

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the claims totaling \$884,392.63 to be paid August 5, 2020. Motion carried.

Health Insurance

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the Allied Health Insurance funding request for August 3, 2020, in the amount of \$3,496.97 (Medical \$3,496.97 & Pharmacy \$0.00). Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of \$375,000 to be transferred from County General into the health insurance fund for August through October 2020. Motion carried.

Workman's Compensation

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of paying the claim to Bixler Insurance for the audit of our worker's compensation, in the amount of \$21,082.00. Motion carried.

Wheel Tax Quarterly Report

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept into the record the quarterly report for 2nd quarter 2020 for wheel tax & surtax. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

Cumulative Bridge

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, provided information from the engineers to the board on the three scour critical bridges B-501, B-152 & B-150. The Commissioners will need to choose one of the engineers to do the project. Information was provided by Butler Fairman & Seufert, USI, and SJCA, all located in Indianapolis. The board will look over the information and make a decision next week.

The culvert project on 500 S, located on 000 and US 27, has part is in the City of Berne and a portion in Adams County. The City of Berne produced the plans, will receive bids, and choose the contractor for the culvert replacement. After this process the city and county can discuss how much each entity will contribute. There is an agreement between the city and county.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Superintendent, Brad Yoder, presented a change order request from Brooks Construction for the project on 350 E and 900 S. The project overran by \$25,649.66. The engineer underestimated the waterways needed. They dug out the stone and put in asphalt at the intersections.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to work through the change order. Motion carried.

Community Crossing projects have been completed.

The Town of Monroe is working on the county road 000 project. They did the cut but have not started digging because they are waiting on AEP.

The batteries went bad on the AED Defibrillators at the Highway Department. Brad presented a grant application from the Community Foundation to purchase new AED machines. The grant will not be looked at until October 2020.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to accept the recommendation and approve the grant application. Motion carried.

Chip and seal will be finished today.

There is property owned by Adams County with overgrown trees and a tree leaning towards one house. Said property is located on High Street in the City of Decatur. The Highway Department will clean up the area, which will take at least the entire day to complete. There is a procedure that needs to be followed which will allow the adjoining landowners to get title to the property. Consensus of the board was to give the green light to do what needs to be done.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Complex Building

Building and Grounds Supervisor, Rick Burkhalter, was not in attendance. Commissioner Bauman reported the vacant position has been filled and the person started yesterday.

IN RE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

EMA Director, John August, met to seek approval of two grants.

HMEP Grant Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness – reimbursable - 10/1/2020 thru 9/31/2021 - \$10,411.80 - County match \$0.00. The grant pays for LEPC exercises, compliance person to complete things, fire departments to go to conference, and EMA to attend conference.

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

Emergency Management Agency Salary Reimbursement (EMPG 2020) – reimbursable – 10/1/2020 thru 9/30/2022 - \$30,000 – County match \$67,488.21. The performance grant has been capped at \$30,000 and it used to be a 50/50 match.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to accept the recommendation and approve the grant application. Motion carried.

IN RE: COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Bauman reported there will be a flagpole dedication next Tuesday at 10:45 a.m. at the Service Complex.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Mark Burry, had nothing to present.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, the meeting for August 4, 2020 was adjourned. Motion carried.

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

Kim A. Fruechte
Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner

Rex Moore
Rex Moore, Commissioner

Douglas L. Bauman
Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman