

Mr. Fruechte said the air conditioning in the server room is not working properly and needs to be addressed. Mr. Bauman said Mr. Burkhalter is meeting with people this morning to address this.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

Cumulative Bridge

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, reported last week he opened bids for the replacement of culvert C-406 located on 350 N between Piqua Road and the state line. He found two mathematical errors on the bid from Jutte Excavating. They were off by \$2.00 so the bid should have been \$62,200.00. This did not change the outcome of the lowest bidder. Mr. Barkey recommendation is to accept the bid from KBL Transport.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to accept the bid from KBL Transport in the amount of \$43,170.00. Motion carried

Mr. Barkey said he brought in the 2020 bridge inspection books last week that were completed. This was done by Bulter, Fairman & Seufert.

Mr. Barkey said a culvert located on 500 S between 000 Rd & US Highway 27 needs extended. This needs aluminum structural plate. He received a quote from CivilCon to purchase the materials in the amount of \$6,767.90.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to purchase the extension materials from CivilCon in the amount of \$6,767.90. Motion carried.

Bids will be opened on October 27th for Culvert C-409. This culvert is located on 450 W between 400-500 South.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to approve Mr. Barkey to send out bid information to contractors on Culvert C-409. Motion carried.

Mr. Barkey reported that Miller Land Surveying has completed the plans for 800 N from Piqua Rd to 100 E. He recommends having a 70-foot right-of-way. The additional right-of-way is needed because of the cut through a few areas for a better back slope for drainage to the ditches. This project is getting ready to be done next year. The Highway department has set aside money for this project.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval 800 N with a 70-foot right-of-way. Motion carried.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Department

Highway Assistant Superintendent, Jaron Brodbeck, reported the department is berming.

Mr. Brodbeck said that IDEM would be coming out with new regulations for fuel inspections. IDEM said we would not pass this. Mr. Brodbeck said they are considering having an engineer help with their fuel tanks. They do not have any estimates of costs at this time. Mr. Barkey has an idea of whom they may contact with new specs. The Commissioners asked Mr. Barkey to work with the Highway Department to contact a couple of companies and get specs drawn up for a proposal. Mr. Brodbeck said IDEM could shut us down. If we are shut down, Co-op said we could go there to get fuel until the highway could get the fuel tanks up and running. The current fuel system was installed in 1994. The fuel tanks normal life span is 30 years.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Complex Building

Building and Grounds Supervisor, Rick Burkhalter, was not present.

IN RE: HOSPITAL

Hospital Attorney, Adam Miller, Chief Financial Officer, Dane Wheeler, and Executive Director of Adams Memorial Hospital, Dr. Scott Smith, met with the Commissioners to go over the proposed resolutions for refinancing the hospital bonds. The current bond is \$2,440,000 at 3-5%. Refinancing the bond to \$2,170,000 with a 1.2% rate. This will be a cost savings of \$1.3 million dollars of the term after the costs. The Hospital Board already approved this agreement. They will meet with the Hospital Association tomorrow to approve. They need the Commissioners & County Council to approve yet. Mr. Wheeler said we do not know what the future holds so this is the opportune time. Mr. Miller said they would not need to extend the years of the bonds. Commissioner Fruechte asked if they could still make the current payment on the refinance and could payoff earlier? Will they be able to give money back to the County as they did a while back? Mr. Miller said they have not spoken about this yet with the Hospital Board, but will ask them.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to support the requested presented proposal. Motion carried.

IN RE: CEMETERY

Wemhoff Land Surveying, Bill Wemhoff, met to discuss Mann Cemetery off Winchester Rd. This cemetery was dedicated to Adams County in 1841. The problem is the cemetery is not taken off Andy Hess's legal description of his property. The cemetery will need to be split off to its own parcel. Mr. Wemhoff has prepared a survey for Mr. Hess, but it is not recorded. Mr. Hess said he would allow an easement on his property to the cemetery for someone to mow and take care of the cemetery. He just wants proof that he is not liable for the cemetery and would like it deeded off his property.

Mr. Wemhoff showed the commissioners the survey he prepared. The cemetery will become a 0.49-acre piece. Mr. Hess would own around the cemetery. Mr. Wemhoff said Mr. Hess came to him to help get this corrected. He should also not be paying taxes on the cemetery. County Attorney, Mark Burry said will prepare the Quit Claim Deeds for the Commissioners to sign at next week's meeting.

IN RE: ELECTION BOARD

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met October 6, 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 Adams County Chief Deputy Auditor, Kristy Stuckey. Rex Moore was present via telephone conferencing. Absent was 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 September 29, 2020. Motion carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Health Insurance

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the Allied Health Insurance funding request for October 5, 2020, in the amount of \$6,404.78 (Medical \$6,404.78 & Pharmacy \$0.00). Motion carried.

There is currently a combined total of \$2,666,902.51 in the checking and reserve accounts.

Health Fair

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the Corporate Medical Services cost in the amount of \$40.00 for the Chem 30 & \$25.00 for the flu shots. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

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

Animal Shelter

The Adams County Commissioners accepted into the record, the following reports from Animal Shelter Directors, Charlie and Carol Bowers. The August 2020 report states that they had sheltered 16 dogs and 12 cats with 10 being claimed and 7 adoptions. Zero animals were euthanized, and the Animal Shelter is currently housing 11 animals. There was \$180.00 receipted into the County General fund.

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

The September 2020 report states that they had sheltered 5 dogs and 14 cats with 3 being claimed and 14 adoptions. Zero animals were euthanized, and the Animal Shelter is currently housing two animals. There was \$60.00 receipted into the County General fund.

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

Animal Control

The Animal Control reports for August and September 2020 were received from Animal Control Officer, Chad Sprunger.

Reporting that 16 dogs, 4 kitten, and 8 cats had been picked up from August 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020. Total mileage was 722 miles at \$.44 per mile for a total of \$317.68.

Reporting that 5 dogs, 1 puppy, 10 kittens, and 6 cats had been picked up from September 6, 2020 to September 26, 2020. Total mileage was 396 miles at \$.44 per mile for a total of \$174.24. Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Doug Bauman, to accept the August and September 2020 report. Motion carried.

COVID-19

Claims Deputy, Brianna Brodbeck updated the board on the COVID-19 finances. The claim for \$428,361.34 was denied. The IFA wants us to use the balance on payroll. If we turn in payroll, it can only be for Sheriff Deputies, Jailer, Dispatchers and the Health Department. It is for the employees that are dispatched or deal with things related with COVID. This is just for the period of March 1st to September 30th. This is regular & overtime wages, insurances & taxes. Mrs. Brodbeck is still waiting on the WebEx claim in the amount of \$311,678.28. When submitting claims, the IFA only wants purchase orders or invoices. They will not accept quotes.

Mr. Burry said to submit payroll. Mrs. Brodbeck said we would need an ordinance from County Council first. We also need to have its own special fund because it is grant money. Currently the money was paid out of the Rainy Day Fund. The money will need to come out of the new fund, so she will need to do corrections to all the old claims.

Mrs. Brodbeck said we were given approval on two claims in the amount of \$4,031.00 & \$2,352.69 but have not received the money yet.

IN RE: IT

Commissioner Rex Moore, said IT Director, Mike Brown notified him the IT move over the weekend was successful. There were little problems. One VDI failed and had to be rebuilt. Mr. Moore cancelled the extra insurance that was taken out for the equipment move.

Mr. Fruechte said the lift that was going to be rented for the equipment move, they decided to purchase it. They received a quote from Server Lift Corporation in the amount of \$9,742.93. This will be paid out of 1138.42500.000.0000 Computer Hardware Purchase. He has ample of funds available in this account.

Mr. Fruechte said IT Purchased 50 units of Adobe software from Source IT Technologies in the amount of \$9,112.50 that will be paid out of 1000.35700.000.9600. Additional 25 units will be purchased in the amount of \$4,556.25 to be paid out of 1138.42702.000.0000. This is a total amount of \$13,668.75.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to purchase the 75 Adobe units from Source IT Technology in the amount of \$13,668.75. Motion carried.

Election Board members, Wes Kuntzman and John Minch, met with the Commissioners to request approval of the polling locations for the 2020 Election. Early voting started today and will go through Monday November 2nd at noon. They will also have early voting the two Saturdays before the Election. The six locations are as follows:

- Bridge Community Church: 1403 Winchester Rd. Decatur
- K of C Hall: 1703 High St. Decatur
- Monroe Fire Station: 233 Tower Dr. Monroe
- First Missionary Church: 950 US Hwy 27 S. Berne
- Lehman Park Pavilion: Park Ave & Hwy 27 S., Berne
- First United Methodist Church: 100 W. Line St. Geneva

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the six polling sites for the 2020 Election. Motion carried.

IN RE: MAUMEE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

Maumee River Basin Commission, Rod Renkenberger and EMA Director, John August, met with the Commissioners to secure the support of the Commissioners to apply for a FY2020 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Mitigation Grant. The owners, James & Kristen Clark purchased the home in 2014. Since then they have experienced four floods. As part of the 25% local match requirement, Adams County Board of Commissioners will need to commit to provide a maximum of \$2,500.00 in-kind match by utilizing the County Attorney to perform legal service associated with this acquisition project. The owners have agreed to pay 12.5 % of the local match, which is a cost of \$26,407.50, and Maumee River Basin Commission will pay 12.5% at a cost of \$26,407.50.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for the approval for Mr. Renkenberger to apply for the Mitigation Grant for the Clarks home. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to approve the four documents that Mr. Renkenberger will need to present for the grant application. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bauman asked what is the time frame? Mr. Renkenberger said the grant opened September 30th. They are due January 15, 2021. The grants are submitted to the State of Indiana then they send them to FEMA. The State asks to submit 4-6 weeks before the federal due date so they can have time to review them. Once FEMA's review period is over, we will be notified by letter of granting the award. A state and local grant agreement will be needed. This would probably take until 2022.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Mark Burry, presented an Inter Local Agreement with the City of Berne. This is for County Road 150 West from a point 750 feet north of State Road 218 to the Wittwer #1 Ditch. The City of Berne is applying for a Community Crossings Grant. In order for the City of Berne to apply, the County would have to give the maintenance to the City.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the Inter Local Agreement with the City of Berne. Motion carried.

IN RE: JOB EVALUATIONS

County Council President, Stan Stoppenhagen met to update the Commissioners on job evaluations. All departments are in compliance in the job evaluations and education. He appreciates the commissioners and department heads on getting this completed on time.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, the meeting for October 6, 2020 was adjourned. Motion carried.

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

Kim A. Fruechte
Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner

Rex Moore
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