

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met December 1, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Doug Bauman, Rex Moore, and Kim Fruechte; 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 November 24, 2020. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the November 30, 2020 minutes for the special emergency joint meeting of the Adams County Commissioners and Adams County Council with the following change to last line under Commissioner; The department heads responsibility to insure that there is accountability and productivity. Motion carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Health Insurance

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the Allied Health Insurance funding request for November 30, 2020, in the amount of \$9,549.73 (Medical \$9,549.73 & Pharmacy \$0.00). Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of payment for the Health Insurance Allied Benefits Administrative Service and claims for December 2020. The breakdown of the claim is as follows: medical premium \$49,022.46; PPO fees \$1,014.00; admin fees \$2,526.72; for a premium total of \$52,563.18. Motion carried.

Clerk of Circuit Court Monthly Report

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

Working from Home COVID Plans

The following plans for working from home due to the current COVID pandemic were submitted for approval:

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the COVID plan submitted by the Auditor after changing the last sentence to; If circumstances arise due to the current COVID pandemic they should be able to work from home at the Auditor's discretion and by signing and dating the document. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the COVID plan submitted by Community Corrections after signing and dating the document. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the COVID plan submitted by the Sheriff. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the COVID plan submitted by Emergency Management. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

Cumulative Bridge

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, presented the certificate of insurance, E-Verity Affidavit, and performance bond for the C-409 project located on 450 W between 400 S and 500 S. The contract with Precise Pile Driving, Fort Recovery, Ohio, was also presented for signature.

Motion by Kim Fruechte, to approve signing the contract, seconded by Rex Moore. Motion carried.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Complex Building

Building and Grounds Supervisor, Rick Burkhalter, was not in attendance.

IN RE: WEIGHTS & MEASURES

Larry Weaver, Weights and Measures Director, will be retiring at the end of the year. He had submitted bullet points of what his job entails. The board recognized him for his service. They plan to post the position. Mr. Weaver will help train the new person.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Superintendent, Brad Yoder, and Assistant Highway Superintendent, Paul Zerby, were present.

Kimley Horn

An amendment to the agreement with Kimley-Horn on the 1200 S project was presented for approval. They will complete additional geotechnical Services along with construction plans specified in the agreement. It will cost \$27,600 to finish the work that needs to be completed. After completion, the project will be ready for bid. The Highway Department will complete any additional work that needs done.

Motion by Kim Fruechte, to accept the contracted amount, seconded by Rex Moore. Motion carried.

Department

Mr. Yoder reported the trucks are out salting and sanding bridges. The crew is checking townships for trees and debris in the catch basin.

He mentioned the possibility of purchasing a cherry picker. He could get a good used piece of equipment for \$16,000 to \$20,000. It is \$1,600 to hire someone to do the work or renting at \$4,000 per month.

Buried Cable Permits

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the following buried cable permit from Jay County REMC. Motion carried.

Motion by Kim Fruechte, to approve the following 19 buried cable permits from VTF Excavating, seconded by Rex Moore. Motion carried.

APPLICATION PERMIT #	UTILITY COMPANY	ROAD	ROAD SECTION	TOWNSHIP	DATE OF REQUEST
ROW-2020-A-0018	VTF EXCAVATING	WATER ST	LINN GROVE RD - CENTER ST	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0018	VTF EXCAVATING	WATER ST	CENTER ST - 700 S	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0018	VTF EXCAVATING	500 W	700 S - RIVER RD	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0019	VTF EXCAVATING	700 S	SR116 - WEST ST	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0019	VTF EXCAVATING	700 S	WEST ST - 2ND ST	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0019	VTF EXCAVATING	700 S	2ND ST - 500 W	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0020	VTF EXCAVATING	2ND ST	700 S - CENTER ST	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0021	VTF EXCAVATING	WEST ST	JANNDEY ST - CENTER ST	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0021	VTF EXCAVATING	WEST ST	CENTER ST - 700 S	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0023	VTF EXCAVATING	LINN GROVE RD	650 S - WEST ST	WABASH	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0024	VTF EXCAVATING	WEST ST	LINN GROVE RD - JANNDEY ST	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0024	VTF EXCAVATING	JANNDEY ST	WEST ST - 2ND ST	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0025	VTF EXCAVATING	2ND ST	JANNDEY ST - CENTER ST	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0025	VTF EXCAVATING	CENTER ST	2ND ST - WATER ST	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0026	VTF EXCAVATING	700 S	500 W - 400 W	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0026	VTF EXCAVATING	700 S	400 W - 300 W	HARTFORD	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0026	VTF EXCAVATING	700 S	300 W - 250 W	WABASH	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0026	VTF EXCAVATING	700 S	250 W - 150 W	WABASH	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0026	VTF EXCAVATING	700 S	US27 - 000 RD	WABASH	11/30/2020
ROW-2020-A-0027	JAY COUNTY REMC	200 N	500 E - 600 E	BLUE CREEK	11/30/2020

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Mark Burry, requested approval of updating the policy waiver for vacation rollover. Currently it extends to the end of the year. He suggested extending it to the end of first quarter 2021, March 31, 2021.

Motion by Kim Fruechte, to approve updating the policy waiver for vacation rollover to extend through March 31, 2021, seconded by Rex Moore. Motion carried.

Resolution 2020-24

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES IN THE OPERATION OF ADAMS COUNTY GOVERNMENT DURING THE ONGOING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY THROUGH THE TERM OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-48 ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF INDIANA SETTING FORTH RESTRICTIONS BASED UPON THE IMPACT AND SPREAD OF THE CORONOVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19), was introduced for approval.

Motion by Kim Fruechte, to approve and adopt Resolution 2020-24, seconded by Rex Moore. Motion carried.

ICJI Grant Agreement

Mr. Burry presented for approval the ICJI grant for \$79,868.69. The Auditor will be the fiscal agent and the State of Indiana is the grantee. The funding source is the coronavirus supplemental funding. The monies are to complete the equipment for the remote video conferencing between the courts, Prosecuting Attorney, and the jail.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the ICJI grant. Motion carried.

IN RE: INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Commissioner Moore requested approval of using the remaining CARES balance of \$77,361.34 that was transferred to County General to be allocated for the air conditioning units. The units will cost \$53,000 and the fencing to build around to protect the units is estimated at \$20,000. They would like to use the \$77,361.34 to pay the \$73,000.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval to pay out of the available CARES money. Motion carried.

Mr. Moore asked for the Interlocal agreement funds to be used for the UPS for the Health Department. This request is urgent to protect vaccines in the case of a power failure. The work is to be done on an emergency basis for the work to get started and be invoiced by the end of 2020.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of B-Secure to get the work completed by the end of the year. Motion carried.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, the meeting for December 1, 2020 was adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor


Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner


Rex Moore, Commissioner


Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman