

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met March 23, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Rex Moore, Stan Stoppenhagen and Steve Kuhn; County Attorney, Mark Burry, and Auditor, Tony Mellencamp.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and seconded by Steve Kuhn, for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for March 16, 2021. Motion carried.

IN RE: ASSESSOR

Assessor Mary Beery sought eight vacation carryover days for an employee who was not able to take vacation due to assessor office being short staffed due to illnesses. Since it was not Covid related it would set a precedent for other departments. The matter was taken under advisement upon suggestion of County Attorney, Mark Burry.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Health Insurance

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve weekly insurance claims from Allied in the amount of \$15,920.78. Motion Carried.

Replacement on Advisory Board

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve accepting names of people who apply to fill the Root Township Advisory Board position that became vacant due to a member's death. Motion Carried. Mark Burry will discuss the issue with the Root Township Trustee as to the timing of this and report back to the Commissioners.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, discussed bridge inspection and engineer now have a little more time to submit bids as the deadline has changed again. The date for bids to be into the Auditor's office is now April 15 by 4 p.m. The bids will then be opened at the April 20 Commissioner meeting.

Representatives of Butler, Fairman, and Seufert engineering firm introduced themselves.

IN RE: HIGHWAY

Brad Yoder noted that May 14 is deadline for renewing or getting new buggy plates.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Highway Superintendent's annual operational report for local roads, streets and bridges. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the March revenues from the state into the MVH in the amount of \$281,015.36, and the Local Roads and Streets amount of \$121,286.30. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Supervisor Rick Burkhalter reported that the health department is needing a new freezer and it was discussed as to whether or not new amperage is needed to be able to use the new freezer. It was determined the amperage would be fine. This allows for new capacity in the freezer to be used for vaccine doses. The estimated cost is \$8,108.32. An under counter for the new unit will cost \$3,793.97 with delivery and set up costing \$925.81. Upon a motion by Stan and second by Steve to approve the total cost of \$12,828.10 out of fund 8904. Motion Carried. Upon a motion by Stan and second by Steve to approve Be Secure for wiring work in the buildings. Motion Carried. These would be paid out of fund 8904. Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to replace emergency lighting and exit signs. Motion carried.

IN RE: NATIONWIDE

Kevin Mitchell, representative for Nationwide, presented via Web X, a new option that the company would like to make available to the county employees who are enrolled in Nationwide for deferred comp. The new option has no cost attached and is just another option that could be added for clients. Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve adding this as an option. Motion Carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Mark Burry reported that he would be working on an ordinance regarding the Tech Steering Committee and departments controlling their own IT needs in their departments.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

Rex Moore discussed the \$6.9 million coming from the Relief Recovery Fund from the federal government. An ordinance will have to be written reflecting this. Some discussion was held on this and the issue was tabled until the County Attorney can get an ordinance written.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn, seconded by Stan Stoppenhagen to adjourn, motion carried

ATTEST: Tony Mellencamp
Tony Mellencamp, Auditor of Adams County

Steve Kuhn
Steve Kuhn, Commissioner

Stan Støppen
Stan Støppen, Commissioner

Rex Moore
Rex Moore, Chairman