

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met December 7, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Rex Moore, Stan Stoppenhagen, and Steve Kuhn; HR Coordinator Shannon Greene, Auditor Tony Mellencamp, and County Attorney, Mark Burry.

**IN RE:** MINUTES

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and seconded by Steve Kuhn, for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for November 23, 2021. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Rex Moore mentioned the loss of a county employee recently. The meeting was opened with prayer by James Langham for James Miller and family.

**IN RE:** AUDITOR REPORT

**Payroll Claims**

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and seconded by Steve Kuhn to approve the payroll claims for 11/26/2021 in the amount of \$315,579.89. Motion Carried.

**Monthly Treasurer's Report**

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the November Monthly Treasurer Report. Motion Carried.

**Allied Weekly Insurance Claims**

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Allied Weekly Health Insurance claims in the amount of \$22,876.39. Motion Carried. This was for two weeks combined since there was no meeting on Nov. 30 due to a lack of quorum.

**Accounts Payable Claims**

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the Accounts Payable Claims for December 8, 2021, in the amount of \$655,422.35. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** BUILDING AND PLANNING

Building and Planning Director, Mark Wynn, submitted several subdivisions.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Beer Family Farm Subdivision/French Sec 27 / 3 Lots / Located on the NW corner of CR 500S and CR 500W. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve Leander D. Schwartz Subdivision / Monroe Sec 2 / 3 Lots / Located on CR 100S, East of CR 100E. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Briggs Family Subdivision / Wabash Sec 26 / 3 Lots / Located on the NE Corner of CR 1100S and CR 150E. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Martha Stoller Subdivision / French Section 10/ 2 Lots / Located on CR 600W, south of CR 100S. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve William D. Manning Subdivision / Wabash Sec 31 / 2 Lots / Located on CR 1100S, west of CR 200W. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the November Monthly Report for the Building and Planning Department submitted by Director Mark Wynn. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** HIGHWAY

Adams County Highway Department Superintendent, Brad Yoder, opened annual bids and will bring a total list and quotes back to the Commissioners after they check on all of them for compliance.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to allow Yoder to check all bids for compliance and return final information back to the Commissioners and to take these bids under advisement. Motion Carried.

Yoder reported that there are no slots open for another tandem axle truck chassis for pre-ordering for 2023 so it will have to be re-bid next year.

Yoder asked the media to print "shake your mailbox" so that citizens of the county would know to shake their mailboxes to know if they are loose and need screws tightened prior to a snowfall. He said it is normally not the plow hitting a box that knocks it down but the force of the ice and snow hitting a loose mailbox that causes it. The highway department will not be held responsible for mailbox damage that may be caused by snow/ice being plowed from the roadways.

**IN RE** BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Rick Burkhalter, Building and Grounds Director, reported there is a coil leak in the attic in the courthouse above Circuit Court. He is looking into why the air handlers are shutting off and restarting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Adams County Service Complex.

**IN RE:** HR COORDINATOR

HR Coordinator, Shannon Greene, noted Lincoln Life is underwriting the additional term life insurance even though the 40% requirement was not reached. She also submitted a revised job description for a position at Golden Meadows and the Commissioners took it under advisement.

**IN RE:** COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Mark Burry, reported a meeting was held with Allied Benefits System and Elaine Shafley regarding stop-loss insurance and sought their approval to allow those entities to negotiate the best offer.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve renewal of stop-loss coverage based on best cost figures negotiated by Allied Benefit System and Shafley Plan management and allowing the Auditor to approve the chosen carrier. Motion Carried.

Burry said he will bring information regarding the addition of a ACRSD Administrative assistant next week and needed permission to update the Interlocal Agreement.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve Burry to update the Interlocal Agreement between the county and the ACRSD regarding health insurance for the assistant. Motion carried.

County Attorney Burry reported to the Commissioners that he had looked into the Tax Refund Exchange and Compliance System (TRECS) that is done through Association of Indiana Counties in order to collect delinquent accounts owed to various departments. He noted it may be worth a try to see if it is of any value as there is a 90-day notice to end the contract if it is decided to do so.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve TRECS to begin as soon as it can be implemented. Motion carried.

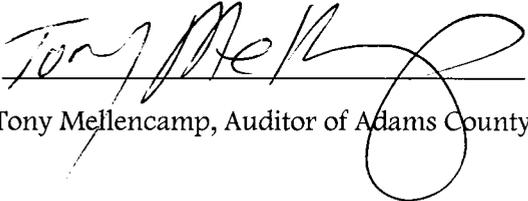
**IN RE:** OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

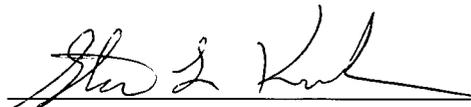
**Treasurer**

Treasurer, Ed Dyer, thanked his staff, Kathy LaFontaine and Deb Gibson for all the hard work they put in. He noted that Adams County is fiscally very strong. He discussed the contract with EGOV with the County Attorney and since the county is still under contract with them it would have to be looked into as to what has to transpire to terminate the contract if the Treasurer's office wished to look at another vendor.

**IN RE:** ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to adjourn. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:   
Tony Mellencamp, Auditor of Adams County

  
Steve Kuhn, Commissioner

  
Stan Stoppenhagen, Commissioners

 VIA Zoom  
Rex Moore, Chairman