

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met January 4, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Stan Stoppenhagen, Steve Kuhn, and Rex Moore (via Remote); HR Coordinator Shannon Greene, Auditor Tony Mellencamp, and County Attorney, Julie-Marie Brown, and County Attorney, Mark Burry.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and seconded by Stan Stoppenhagen, for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for December 28, 2021. Motion Carried.

IN RE: REORGANIZATION

Upon a motion by Rex Moore and second by Steve Kuhn to nominate Stan Stoppenhagen as chairman. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to nominate Steve Kuhn as vice-chairman. Motion carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and seconded by Rex Moore to approve the payroll claims for 12-23-2021 in the amount of \$312,830.13. Motion Carried.

Payable Claims

Upon a motion by Rex Moore and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the payable claims for 1-5-2022 in the amount of \$611,124.28. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING AND PLANNING

There was no report.

IN RE: HIGHWAY

Adams County Highway Department Superintendent, Brad Yoder, noted there was a \$4,200.00 increase to the tandem axle chassis ordered by the county. He also noted that snow season is upon us and asked people to be aware and drive safely. He also wanted the public to know to keep piles of snow off the roadway once it is plowed off driveways.

IN RE BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Rick Burkhalter, Building and Grounds Director, announced that ACEDC is having the carpet cleaned in the former Council on Aging room 120.

Burkhalter noted that the new county hours 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. will start on Monday, January 10. The door locks will be programmed for that at that time.

IN RE: HR COORDINATOR

HR Coordinator, Shannon Greene informed the Commissioners they would need to determine whether employees will clock in or out when leaving the building for lunch. County Attorney Burry noted that those in buildings that leave for lunch do need to punch in and out but those remaining in the buildings do not need to.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Rex Moore to approve employees punching in and out if they leave the premises for lunch. Motion Carried.

Greene noted PTO and the new policy manual should begin on February 5. Paper time cards and vouchers could still continue even if PTO begins and the new policy manual is approved. Commissioners also decided that no sick time would be earned in February, since PTO begins on February 5.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Julie-Marie Brown, presented Resolution 2022-1, regarding Covid status and the fact that anyone reporting Covid status will go through the HR Coordinator, which will then go through the Auditor's Office for payroll concerns. This is contingent upon the passage of the federal mandate requiring employers of over 100 to either be vaccinated or be tested daily. That matter is currently before the United States Supreme Court.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Rex Moore to pass Resolution 2022-1 contingent upon the federal vaccine mandate remaining in place after the Supreme Court rules on it. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Rex Moore to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Council on Aging and City of Decatur to provide free rent for two years in exchange for managing the merit Center. Motion Carried. The county will provide landline and internet to Council on Aging.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

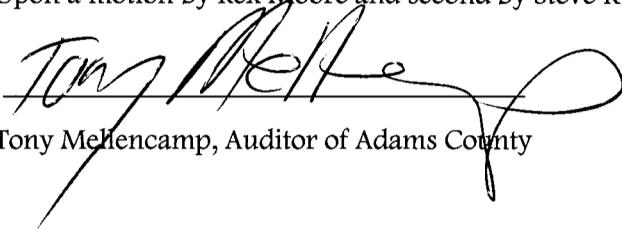
Upon a motion by Rex Moore and second by Steve Kuhn to approve one more month of the contract with Charles Bowers and Chad Sprunger for the animal shelter. Motion Carried. The new shelter is being constructed but will not be completed until February.

Stan Stoppenhagen expressed his thanks to Adam Miller for his work as Attorney for the Adams County Health Department. Miller has assumed duties as Adams Memorial Hospital Attorney and Luke Ainsworth will be the new Health Department Attorney.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Rex Moore and second by Steve Kuhn to adjourn. Motion Carried.

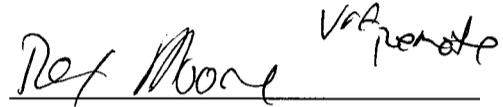
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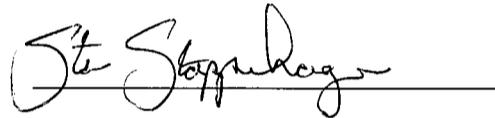
Tony Melencamp, Auditor of Adams County



Steve Kuhn, Commissioner



Rex Moore, Commissioners



Stan Stoppenhagen, Chairman