

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met May 30, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Stan Stoppenhagen, Steve Bailey, Steve Kuhn, Attorney, Clayton Lengerich, County Attorney, Mark Burry, Chief Deputy Auditor, Brianna Lee, and Auditor, Tony Mellencamp.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and seconded by Stan Stoppenhagen, for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for May 23, 2023. Motion Carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Payroll AP Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the Payroll AP Claims in the amount of \$327,825.48. Motion Carried.

Allied Weekly Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve Allied Weekly Health Insurance Claims in the amount of \$74,192.68. Motion Carried.

Animal Shelter Report

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve entering the Monthly Animal Shelter Report submitted by Mike and Cindy Heiser, into the record. Motion Carried.

HR Coordinator budget

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve moving the HR position into the Commissioner budget since the position reports to the Commissioners and to authorize the Auditor to continue approving time card and payroll voucher, so long as that information is emailed to the Commissioners. Motion Carried.

Animal Control Report

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve entering the Animal Control Monthly Report submitted by Chad Sprunger, into the record. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING AND PLANNING

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to Motion Carried.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Paul Zerby, Assistant Highway Superintendent, provided updates on dust control, and the fact they did purchase a force feed loader plus delivery for \$170,000.00, which had been approved prior.

IN RE: BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Building and Grounds Manager, Rick Burkhalter, was present to update the Commissioners on several projects at county buildings, including replacement of the elevator in the Service Complex. He noted the Purdue Extension Office asked for June 29 and July 5 as days to hold ambassador events in the Commissioner's room for 4H. This would be done after hours.

There was discussion regarding meetings after hours since people from the public would be able to walk throughout the building during that time. They will monitor that situation and work with the safety committee on solutions. Since the meeting in question is BZA and Plan Commission meet from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Mark Wynn is in charge of those, he will be responsible to lock and unlock the 4th Street doors.

IN RE: TREASURER

Treasurer Ed Dyer reported to the Commissioners the fact that the bulk of tax collection has been completed but some are continuing to come and pay their spring taxes. He also mentioned that State Board of Accounts is still on premises and should be until the end of June.

IN RE: HR COORDINATOR

There was no report.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

There was discussion regarding golf cart usage in Geneva. A resident was given a citation as he was traveling on W. Line St., which the deputy sheriff determined to be a state highway and it is not legal to drive a golf cart on state highways. Sheriff Dan Mawhorr stated that the state highway is controlled by INDOT and it goes all the way to US 27. So, according to the Sheriff, it is a state issue and the state would have to change the law. The citizen stated for 14 years nobody, including Indiana State Police, has ever ticketed anyone for this before. The Sheriff will speak to the Geneva Town Attorney and Council members regarding this issue.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve approaching County Council at the next meeting to determine where to pay a fee of \$19,500.00 to Elevatus for work on a study that has been done thus far on a proposed Judicial Center Project. Motion Carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve Resolution 2023-14, the Paid Military Leave Policy for Adams County. Motion Carried.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST: _____

Tony Mellencamp, Auditor of Adams County

Steve Kuhn, Commissioner

Steve Bailey, Commissioner

Stan Stoppenhagen, Chairman