

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met November 14, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Stan Stoppenhagen, Steve Kuhn, Steve Bailey, Attorney, Clayton Lengerich, Attorney, Mark Burry, HR Coordinator Shannon Greene, Auditor, Tony Mellencamp, and Chief Deputy/Finance, Brianna Lee.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and seconded by Steve Kuhn, for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for November 7, 2023. Motion Carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Amazon Business Package

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve Adams County joining the Amazon Business Package, which offers more cyber security protection, better pricing, and blanket tax exemption. Motion Carried.

Allied Health Insurance Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve Allied Health Insurance Claims in the amount of \$76,700.50. Motion Carried.

Elected Official Bond

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the purchase of an elected official bond for Auditor, Tony Mellencamp, in the amount of \$105.00. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING AND GROUNDS

There was no report.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve 17 right of way permits to Craigville Telephone for Kirkland and French Townships. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING AND PLANNING

There was no report.

IN RE: TREASURER

Treasurer, Ed Dyer, reported to the Commissioners that Monday, November 13, was the final day for taxes to be paid, without penalties. He also noted there will be a tax certificate sale on Tuesday, Jan. 30, at 1 p.m.

IN RE: HR COORDINATOR

There was no report.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

Some citizens were on hand to discuss rezoning of KESL Farms. That decision was tabled to take under further advisement. The citizens noted that if the requirement on a rezone is sewage connection, changing it would mean lots of farmland could be lost with developments. They would not want to see this precedent to be set and allow developers to come in and build up subdivisions.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve tabling the decision on KESL Farms rezoning. Motion Carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Mark Burry, reported that a letter was received by the county regarding some issues at Union Township. He noted that the county has no oversight on Township issues. Townships pass their own budgets and work directly under State Board of Accounts.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST: Tony Mellencamp
Tony Mellencamp, Auditor of Adams County

Steve Kuhn
Steve Kuhn, Commissioner

Steve Bailey
Steve Bailey, Commissioner

Stan Stoppenhagen
Stan Stoppenhagen, Chairman