

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met March 5, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Stan Stoppenhagen, Steve Kuhn, Steve Bailey, County Attorney, Mark Burry, Attorney, Clayton Lengerich, HR Coordinator Shannon Greene, Auditor, Tony Mellencamp.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and seconded by Steve Kuhn for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for February 27, 2024. Motion Carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Animal Shelter Report

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

Accounts Payable Claim

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to pre-approve the Accounts Payable Claims per Ordinance 2024-1. Motion Carried.

Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to pre-approve the Payroll Claims per Ordinance 2024-1. Motion Carried.

Animal Control Report

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

IN RE: BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Rick Burkhalter, Building and Grounds Manager, reported on several updates in the various county buildings to the Commissioners.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND COUNTY ENGINEER

County Engineer, Nate Rumschlag, reported activities with his office. He said he appreciated being able to attend the bridge conference virtually.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the advertising for bids to rehab Bridge 58, CR500N over the Holthouse Ditch. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve a right of way permit to REMC on CR700S. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING AND PLANNING

There was no report.

IN RE: TREASURER

Treasurer, Ed Dyer was present, but had no report.

IN RE: HR COORDINATOR

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve and execute the appointment of Shannon Greene as the ADA Compliance Officer. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve closing county offices at noon on April 8, due to the total solar eclipse, with employees going unpaid or using PTO. Motion Carried. All 3 Commissioners voted for this.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the purchase of a scanner for the HR Office in the amount of \$1,099.00. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve \$4,500.00 for a training program regime which provides various training to employees. This would be re-evaluated to see how it is working. It is web based and would begin April 1. It would be renewed annually. The Sheriff's Department will be paying an additional \$3,500.00 for the program. Motion Carried. Sexual harassment would be one of the training programs available.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the CDL training repayment agreement. Motion Carried.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve allowing SAFE to hold the Adams County Celebration and planting of pinwheels at the Courthouse on April 9, at noon. Motion Carried

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the Health Department to seek a grant for \$10,000.00 for waste tire removal. Motion Carried. This will go to Council next week.

Commissioner Steve Bailey presented an update regarding the county vision plan meetings.

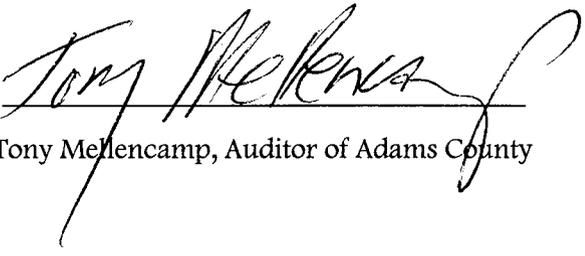
IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

Attorney Clayton Lengerich presented Commissioners with some information for county residents. Several citizens have received an offer to buy land at a reduced rate. He warned that people need to be diligent and consult an attorney or financial advisor before signing anything.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to introduce Ordinance 2024-3, Article 7 to the Building Code of Ordinances for the county, unsafe building and premises, which would include possible fines and penalties. Motion Carried. All three Commissioners approved. This will return for approval at a later date.

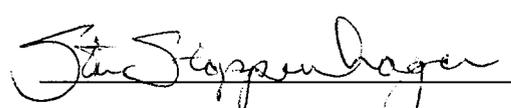
IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

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