

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met October 22, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Stan Stoppenhagen, Steve Bailey, Steve Kuhn, Attorney, Mark Burry, HR Coordinator, Shannon Greene, Chief Deputy Auditor, Brianna Rash.

**IN RE:** MINUTES

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and seconded by Stan Stoppenhagen for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for October 15, 2024. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** AUDITOR REPORT

**Allied Weekly Health Insurance Claims**

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve the Allied Weekly Health Insurance Claims in the amount of \$63,955.29. Motion Carried. The Auditor verified claimants.

**Payroll Claims**

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve the Payroll Claims in the amount of \$367,499.17. Motion Carried.

**Payroll Time Card Approval**

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the payroll time cards for pay period ending 10/11/2024. Motion Carried.

**Legal Claim**

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve paying a legal claim to Miller, Burry & Brown, in the amount of \$2,500.00, as the County's in-kind match on an EMA FEMA Grant. Motion Carried.

**Animal Control Report**

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve entering the animal control report for October 2024, submitted by Chad Sprunger, into the record. Motion Carried.

**Weights and Measures**

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve entering the monthly Weights and Measures Report for 9/16/2024-10/15/2024, submitted by Inspector, Dan Hackman, into the record. Motion Carried.

**Holidays for 2025**

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve Resolution 2024-9, designating the legal holidays to be observed by the county offices during calendar year 2025. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Manager, Rick Burkhalter, reported updates on various activities in the county-owned buildings. He also noted that any shredded paper has to be dumped out of plastic bags. The next date to complete the new generator coming online will be on November 2.

**IN RE:** HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND COUNTY ENGINEER

County Engineer, Nate Rumschlag, reported on activities with his office. He provided updates on bridge work throughout the county.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve submitting Bridge 155 for a Community Crossings matching grant Motion Carried.

Highway Department Superintendent, Brad Yoder, reported on various activities.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve signing an INDOT letter of understanding of a detour west of Geneva in early spring 2025. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve a right of way Permit to NIPSCO at 8410 n Piqua Rd to install gas service line. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** BUILDING AND PLANNING

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve KESL Farms Subdivision of Holle Ridge Estates / Root Sec 18 / 13 Lots / Located on NW Winchester Rd and CR 300W. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve Replat Lot 2 in the Paulin Kaehr Subdivision / French Sec 23 / 3<sup>rd</sup> Lot being added into the original Subdivision / Located on the SW corner of CR300S and CR400W. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** TREASURER

Treasurer, Ed Dyer, reported that taxes are due by Nov. 12 of this year. He noted tax sale will be held Thursday, Oct. 31, in room 100, with 7 parcels as of now.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve an agreement with Sheriff Dan Mawhorr installing flock cameras in the county. Motion Carried. Steve Kuhn opposed.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve Sheriff Mawhorr to go before the BZA to receive approval to use the Golden Meadows property as a gun range. Motion Carried.

**IN RE: HR COORDINATOR**

Jody Kinsey was in attendance to discuss 2025 employee rate recommendations for health insurance along with ancillaries. Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve 2025 health insurance and ancillary rates. Motion Carried.

**2025 INSURANCE RATES PER PAY PERIOD**

<b>HEALTH INSURANCE – Allied</b>	<u>Three Rivers</u>		<u>Lutheran Preferred</u>		<u>Parkview</u>	
	<u>Bi-weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Bi-weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Bi-weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
Employee	12.00	24.00	23.00	46.00	23.00	46.00
Employee & Children	51.00	102.00	64.50	129.00	64.50	129.00
Employee & Spouse	105.00	210.00	132.00	264.00	132.00	264.00
Employee & Family	126.00	252.00	158.00	316.00	158.00	316.00

<b>DENTAL INSURANCE – Delta Dental</b>	<u>(High Plan)</u>		<u>(Low Plan)</u>	
	<u>Bi-weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Bi-weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
Employee	17.52	35.04	12.19	24.38
Employee & Spouse	41.51	83.02	28.67	57.34
Employee & Child(ren)	51.34	102.68	31.84	63.68
Employee & Family	75.30	150.60	48.58	97.16

<b>VISION INSURANCE – Delta Vision</b>	<u>Bi-Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
Employee Only	2.91	5.82
Employee & Spouse	5.82	11.63
Employee & Child(ren)	6.23	12.46
Family	9.95	19.90

**GROUP LIFE – Lincoln - \$20,000 policy free for Employee (Full-time employees must enroll)**

\$ .80 per pay for dependent coverage

**LONG TERM DISABILITY – Lincoln – \$3.60 per pay**

**VOLUNTARY TERM LIFE – Lincoln – cost depends on coverage selected**

**CINCINNATI LIFE – cost depends on coverage selected**

**AFLAC – cost depends on coverage selected**

**PERF – Employee portion 3% County portion 11.2% (Full-time employees must enroll in PERF)**

**DEFERRED COMP - Nationwide or Hoosier Start – Employee min \$15 County match \$15**

Sheriff 457b Plan for Sheriff Employees. See Sheriff for more information.

All insurances are deducted from your pay in the month prior to coverage. i.e: pay in May for June coverage.

Jody Kinsey also gave the Commissioners an update on stop loss and where the County is on health insurance as of 9/30/2024.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the once every five years pay for an employee who has used and been on FMLA and ran out of PTO time. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve to backfill a position in the Assessor’s office due to LuAnn Rehm retiring November 1, 2024. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve to backfill a position in the Auditor’s office. Motion Carried.

**IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED**

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the Extension Contractual Services Agreement between Purdue University and the Adams County Government and the Memorandum of Understanding between Purdue University and the Adams County Government for 2025 in the amount of \$132,680.00. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve sending a modified letter of support to the Indiana Broadband Office for Mainstream Fiber Networks. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Steve Bailey to approve Berne Public Library Board Member appointment of Kathleen Rausch from 11/1/2024-10/31/2028. Motion Carried.

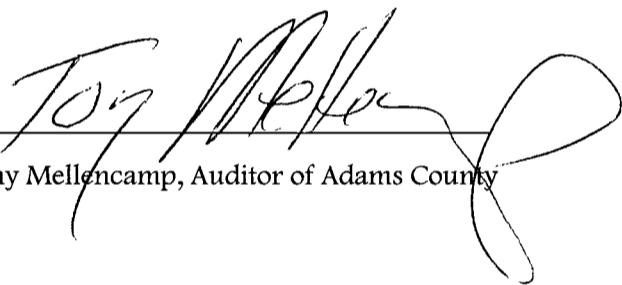
**IN RE:** COUNTY ATTORNEY

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Steve Kuhn to approve receiving bids for a transportation garage at the Council on Aging Public Transportation site. Motion Carried. These will be read at the November 6<sup>th</sup> Commissioner meeting.

Upon a motion to amend Ordinance 2024-20 and create Ordinance 2024-21 which states the Burn ban has to have people around the fire and water close by to monitor the fire as long as it continues. Motion Carried. Sheriff Mawhorr supports the amendment.

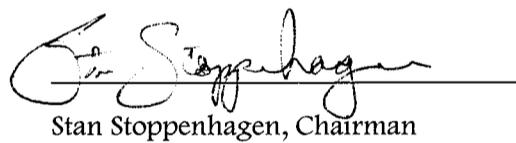
**IN RE:** ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST:   
Tony Mellencamp, Auditor of Adams County

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Steve Kuhn, Commissioner

  
Steve Bailey, Commissioner

  
Stan Stoppenhagen, Chairman