

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met October 29, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Stan Stoppenhagen, Steve Bailey, Attorney, Mark Burry, Attorney, Clayton Lengerich, HR Coordinator, Shannon Greene, Auditor, Tony Mellencamp. Steve Kuhn was not present.

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 22, 2024. Motion Carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Allied Weekly Health Insurance Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Allied Weekly Health Insurance Claims in the amount of \$39,302.33. Motion Carried. The Auditor verified claimants.

Payroll AP Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Payroll Claims in the amount of \$329,300.15. Motion Carried.

Allied Monthly Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Allied Monthly Claims in the amount of \$68,755.85. Motion Carried.

Utilities Paid in Low

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve paying the Utilities Paid in Low in the amount of \$32,190.53. Motion Carried.

Accounts Payable Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$345,593.17. Motion Carried.

Animal Shelter Report

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve entering the Animal Shelter Report, submitted by Cindy Heiser, into the record. 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.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve a quote of \$22,490.00 from the Dilling Group for an industrial water heater necessary to heat steps and ramp at the courthouse. The steps are being degraded due to this need. This would mean the steps and ramp would not need snow or ice removal during the winter hours. The ice melt salt was damaging the steps and ramp. Motion Carried.

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 Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Nate Rumschlag to sign the accepted bids of culvert of \$18,070.00 to Isch Excavating doe the Norris Ditch; \$14,550.00 to Isch Excavating for the Teeter Tile; \$76,782.50 to Fleming Excavating for the Berger Ditch; \$68,528.50 to Fleming Excavating for the Stolt Ditch; and \$14,577.00 to Isch Excavating for the Straight Ditch. Motion Carried.

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

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the quote from Stateline Concrete to replace floor drains at the highway department truck garage. Motion Carried. The Stateline Concrete bid was at \$40,300.00. The Hitchcock Concrete bid was at \$44,350.00 This incudes re-pouring concrete as well.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve a right of way permit to Wabash Mutual Telephone, of Ohio, to install fiber optic broadband from CR700S to CR1100S. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING AND PLANNING

There was no report.

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 seven parcels as of now.

IN RE: HR COORDINATOR

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve remaining with Ardellis as the Stop-Loss Carrier for Adams County Government for 2025. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and Stan Stoppenhagen to approve lowering the co-pay amount from \$200.00 per year for office visits and then Allied paying 100% after that. Motion Carried.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

The Commissioners thanked Luann Rehm for 25 years of service as she is retiring. They noted the loss of that much experience can not be replaced, but they thanked her for the great years of service.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve a grant from the Adams County Foundation in the amount of \$4,000.00 for work inside the decon trailer recently purchased by EMA. DaVans will put in a spray liner to help protect the trailer. Motion Carried. This will now go before Adams County Council for approval.

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve. Motion Carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

Upon a motion by Steve Bailey and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the draft of the consultant contract for the Adams County Vision Plan Project, between the Adams County Commissioners and American Structurepoint, Inc. Motion Carried.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST: Tony Mellenkamp
Tony Mellenkamp, Auditor of Adams County

Steve Kuhn
Steve Kuhn, Commissioner
Steve Bailey
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Stan Stoppenhagen
Stan Stoppenhagen, Chairman