

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met November 26, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Stan Stoppenhagen, Steve Kuhn, Attorney, Mark Burry, Attorney, Clayton Lengerich, HR Coordinator, Shannon Greene, Auditor, Tony Mellencamp. Steve Bailey was not present.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and seconded by Stan Stoppenhagen for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for November 19, 2024. Motion Carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Allied Weekly Health Insurance Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Allied Weekly Health Insurance Claims in the amount of \$49,267.74. Motion Carried. The Auditor verified claimants.

Monthly Weights and Measures

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Monthly Weights and Measures Report submitted by Inspector, Dan Hackman. Motion Carried.

Allied Monthly Claim

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Monthly Allied Insurance Claim in the amount of \$68,775.85. Motion Carried.

Payroll AP Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Payroll AP Claims in the amount of \$335,203.40. Motion Carried.

Accounts Payable Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$2,676,903.80. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING AND GROUNDS

There was no report.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND COUNTY ENGINEER

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

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve signing the agreement for work on Bridge 27, via INDOT. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to send out a request for quotes to clean bridges in Adams County prior to sealing in 2025. Motion Carried.

Highway Department Assistant Superintendent, Paul Zerby, reported on various activities.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the lowest responsive bid for stripe painting on certain county roads and railroad crossings, which was The Airmarking at a cost of \$129,177.14. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve taking bids under advisement for work on CR 700S in 2025. Those bids were Cobalt Civil at \$1,442,260.41; Morphe Construction at \$1,765,000.00; Brooks Construction at \$1,481,110.00; and Fleming Excavating at \$1,397,476.04. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING AND PLANNING

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Suman Trust Subdivision / St. Mary's Sec 9 / 3 Lots / Located on CR600E, south of CR450N. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Barger Brothers First Subdivision / Kirkland Sec 4 / 2 Lots / Located on CR 500N, east of CR 700W. Motion Carried.

IN RE: TREASURER

Treasurer, Ed Dyer, reported that tax collections were still coming in, but going well. He also wanted to thank IT Director, Mike Brown, for his help on the last day taxes were due, for staying in the Treasurer's Office until the computers were working properly following some issues.

IN RE: HR COORDINATOR

There was no report.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

Colton Bickel, Economic Development Director, reported updates on what has been happening in Adams County as regards economic development. The Department typically gives quarterly reviews.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

It was noted that there will be a public meeting at the South Adams Senior Center in Berne from 6-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 17 for a discussion on potential equine drawn vehicle plate fee increases.

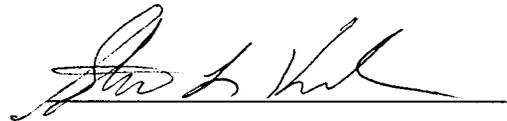
Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the temporary independent Contract with Lynn Geels to perform transfer deputy duties and other work as deemed necessary by the Auditor, at a rate of \$25.00 per hour. Motion Carried.

On behalf of Sheriff Dan Mawhorr, Attorney Clayton Lengerich reported the Sheriff is seeking an approval of a contract with Guardian for a three-year term with auto renewal after three years. The Attorney suggested the wording get changed either to a one year with auto renewal, or three year with no auto renewal. This is a system that provides inmate monitoring solutions. It was recommended by Commissioners that when the Sheriff seeks language changes that he also contact the IT Department to see if this fits into the IT network.

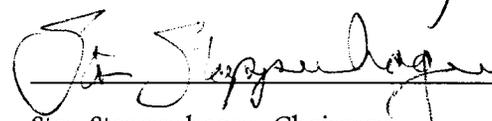
IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST: 
Tony Mellencamp, Auditor of Adams County


Steve Kuhn, Commissioner


Steve Bailey, Commissioner


Stan Stoppenhagen, Chairman