

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met April 8, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Steve Bailey, Stan Stoppenhagen, Doug Bauman, Attorney, Clayton Lengerich, HR Coordinator, Shannon Greene, Auditor, Tony Mellencamp.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and seconded by Stan Stoppenhagen for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for April 1, 2025. Motion Carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve the Payroll AP Claims in the amount of \$380,171.50. Motion Carried.

Payroll Time Cards

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Payroll Time Cards for appointed Department Heads. Motion Carried.

Allied Insurance Claims

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Allied Weekly Health Insurance Claims in the amount of \$1,509.67. Motion Carried. The Auditor verified claimants.

IN RE: BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Building and Grounds Manager, Rick Burkhalter, provided updates to the Commissioners.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve the quote of \$6,557.00 for annual inspection on the chillers by the Dilling Group. Motion Carried. This inspection is done three times per year.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND COUNTY ENGINEER

County Engineer, Nate Rumschlag presented updates on various projects.

Rumschlag sought approval to begin seeking request for proposals regarding the future of the bridge over the Wabash River at CR125E, and CR1175S and what possibilities there are for it. This would be a feasibility study which he will report findings to the Commissioners.

Superintendent, Brad Yoder gave reports to the Commissioners. Yoder noted that people are shooting locks, spinners, etc. at gates to block roads that are flooded and closed. Sheriff Mawhorr noted they would prosecute anyone doing this as there is criminal recklessness involved with this. He also noted that several roads are flooded and for people to be careful.

The Commissioners also wanted to thank the Adams Central shop class for making the gates.

IN RE: BUILDING AND PLANNING

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Ben Rediger as the replacement for Bethany Edwards on the Adams County Plan Commission. Motion Carried.

IN RE: TREASURER

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve entering the Monthly Treasurer report, submitted by Treasurer, Ed Dyer, into the record. Motion Carried.

IN RE: HR COORDINATOR

Discussion was held again regarding K9 Officer pay to compensate for the training time for the officer's partner. A temporary policy will be brought to Commissioners next week.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Adams County logo and use it throughout the county. Motion Carried.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the use of the Adams County Courthouse lawn for the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 1, at noon. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the annual allocation to Council on Aging in the amount of \$42,000.00. Motion Carried. Council would also need to approve this in the final budget for 2026.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the pass-through agreement with INDOT to Council on Aging for the Federal Transit System in Adams County. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve Resolution 2025-1, authorizing resolution on the application for a grant with the Federal Transit Act. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the quote of \$28,522.00 for a warning siren to replace the Berne siren that was destroyed in a storm. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve the annual Department of Correction grant for Adams County for Community Corrections, Probation, Jail Treatment, and Resilience Court, funding. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve payment of a stipend of \$2,000.00 to Mark Wynn, Building and Planning Director, contingent upon the Auditor and the County Attorney finding the proper budgeting and payment for it. Motion Carried. This would be for extra work he performed as a project manager for the construction of the Transportation Garage.

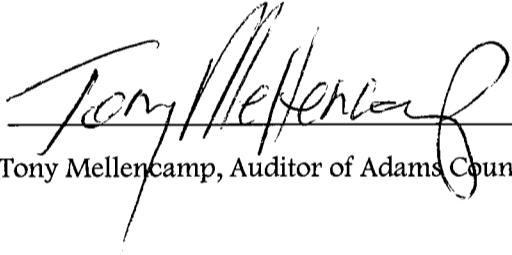
There was discussion with IT Director, Mike Brown, and Commissioners, regarding IT and how it operates in Adams County. Brown wanted clear direction on how the County provides IT service in some capacity for all municipalities. This will require cooperation and discussions with various leaders in the county and the municipalities.

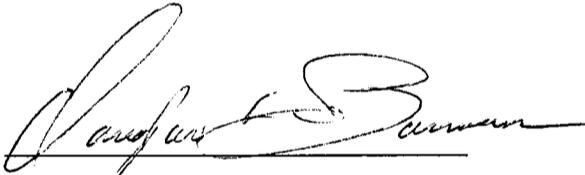
IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

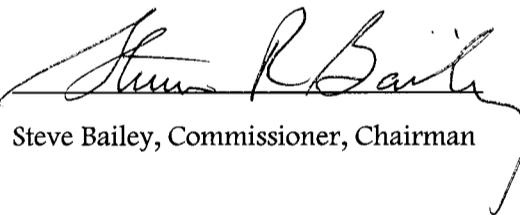
There was no report.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to adjourn. Motion Carried.

ATTEST: 
Tony Mellenkamp, Auditor of Adams County


Doug Bauman, Commissioner


Steve Bailey, Commissioner, Chairman

Stan Stoppenhagen, Commissioner