

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met July 22, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Steve Bailey, Doug Bauman, Stan Stoppenhagen, Attorney, Mark Burry, HR Coordinator, Shannon Greene, Chief Deputy Auditor, Angie Brite.

**IN RE:** MINUTES

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and seconded by Stan Stoppenhagen for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for July 15, 2025. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** AUDITOR REPORT

**Payroll**

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Payroll Claims in the amount of \$350,965.76. 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 \$135,953.12. Motion Carried.

**Accounts Payable Claims**

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$270,174.74. Motion Carried.

**Utilities Paid in Low**

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Utilities paid in Low in the amount of \$35,896.31. Motion Carried.

**Weights and Measures**

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve entering the Weights and Measures Monthly Report into the record, submitted by Dan Hackman. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Rick Burkhalter, Buildings and Grounds Manager, informed the Commissioners that the annual elevator inspection was done and everything passed inspection.

The backup generator performs a weekly start up on Mondays to make sure everything is working fine. Rick noticed some odd lights coming on that had not been in the past. He called Havel Company and they came out and recalibrated the generator. After recalibration all the lights went back to normal.

A problem that is occurring every Monday when the generator starts its weekly check is that it knocks the air handler out. To reset the air handlers to come back on the IT Department has to go into the computer to make this happen. The procedure to do this is very complicated and could potentially be threatening to our computer system.

Rick would like to receive quotes to have this problem in the electrical system fixed, so this will not be an every week problem.

There was discussion in regards to the old generator that is not being used. Rick is maintaining it by running once a month to keep in operational care.

It was talked about donating to a city/town or other municipality if they would want. It would be at their cost to remove the generator to their location.

Superior Court House doors have been fixed. The Commissioners would like Rick to start getting quotes on repairing the motor, foundation and back stairway at the Courthouse. Also, the flag pole at the Court House was discussed and when we are getting this project done.

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

County Engineer, Nate Rumschlag, reported two small structures, Culverts C-260 & C-350 between 600 & 700 East. C-260 beginning today & Thursday starting C-350. Both being upgraded to a four-sided concrete box for larger load capacity. Both of these structures will be done before school begins. Roads will be closed for about two weeks.

Company KBL is doing asphalt approach work on five county bridges & expanding the approaches.

B-27 Work being done by Butler, Fairman & Seufert, Inc. changed from rehabilitation to full replacement. With this change from rehabilitation to full replacement, the agreement was needing to increase in the amount of \$54,700.00. This brings the total to \$161,892.00.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and seconded by Stan Stoppenhagen to increase the fund amount for full replacement to \$161,892.00. Motion Carried.

Highway Superintendent, Brad Yoder, informed the Commissioners the county fair is going good and there has been no problems getting trucks out and doing work as normal.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve wheel tax amounts for LR & S and MVH, with \$51,647.25 and \$326,063.74 respectively Motion Carried.

Chip & Sealing of county roads is being done. So far, they have done 65 miles and are in hopes of doing 100 miles before the weather changes and does not allow this kind of work. They are asking people to be patient with the loose stones and dust until the stones get packed down and we get some rain to ease the dust. County Road 700 S between 150 & HWY 27 will be pouring cement curbs & paving road. This will be completed before school starts.

**IN RE:** USI-JODY KINSEY

Jody Kinsey, USI Insurance Representative along with Shannon Greene, HR Coordinator presented to the Commissioners a possibility of changing the counties RX benefit manager from CVS Caremark to Northwind. Papers were handed out showing the possibility of cost savings to the county. Northwind would send monthly reports on what all of the charges were broken down in a very transparent report. This program would offer a great savings for the county regarding prescription medication for employees. Northwind offers a support center and coaching for members. Before this is available for the county to switch over, Allied must approve Northwind as a RX carrier. Everything is contingent on this being approved by Allied. Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and seconded by Doug Bauman to approve using Northwind, if accepted by Allied Insurance. Motion Carried

**IN RE:** BUILDING AND PLANNING

There was no report

**IN RE:** HR COORDINATOR

There was nothing to report

**IN RE:** OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

There was nothing to report

**IN RE:** COUNTY ATTORNEY

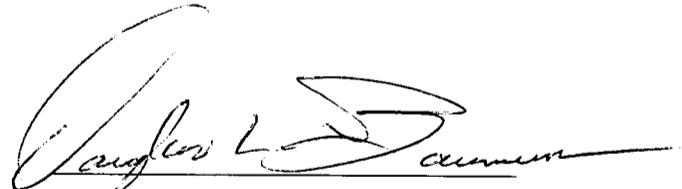
County Attorney, Mark Burry spoke to the Commissioners on the exchange of land off Winchester Street that had been talked about in prior meetings. This would be switching 1.53 acres or land and also rail road property the county owns with another one acre of land close to it.

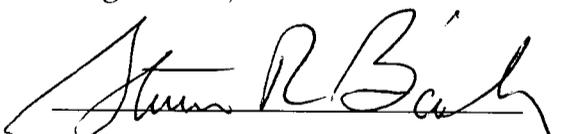
For the record, the Commissioners gave the county attorney the go ahead to get the appraisals done.

**IN RE:** ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST:   
Tony Mellencamp, Auditor of Adams County  
Angie Brite, Chief Deputy Auditor

  
Doug Bauman, Commissioner

  
Steve Bailey, Commissioner, Chairman

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Stan Stoppenhagen, Commissioner