

The Adams County Council met August 12, 2025, 8:30 a.m., in the Adams County Service Complex. Those present were Council Members, Dennis Bluhm, John Summers, Bob Rhoades Cory Sprunger, Fred Velez, Jim Voglewede, Lennie Corral, Adams County Auditor, Tony Mellencamp, Attorney, Julie-Marie Brown, Attorney, and HR Coordinator Shannon Greene. Commissioners, Steve Bailey, Stan Stoppenhagen, Doug Bauman, were also in attendance.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Jim Voglewede and second by Bob Rhoades, the July 8, 2025 Adams County Council Minutes were approved. Motion Carried.

CIRCUIT BREAKER AND OTHER LOSSES

Auditor, Tony Mellencamp, informed Council per SEA 321-2016 repeals IC 6-1.1-17-3.5 and thus eliminates the current County Council review process. It adds IC 6-1.1-17-3.6 to establish a new process for county fiscal body reviews and non-binding recommendations.

The County fiscal body shall review at its first meeting in August the estimated property tax levy limits and estimated reductions due to circuit breakers for each taxing unit. The fiscal body will either prepare and distribute a written recommendation for the taxing units or the County Auditor will distribute the minutes of the meeting to all taxing units after the minutes are approved by the fiscal body.

Council reviewed the necessary information and made no recommendations or comments. The County Auditor will distribute the minutes of the meeting to all taxing units after approval of the fiscal body.

Upon a motion by Jim Voglewede and second by John Summers to approve the County Auditor sending the taxing units requirements. Motion Carried.

LIT DISCUSSION

There was discussion regarding whether to change the LIT percentages. One motion to lower the PTRC by .05 was voted down. It was a consensus to move on and make no change this year on the LIT. The two votes in favor were Corey Sprunger and Jim Voglewede.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

There was no report.

TRANSFERS, ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS, SALARY ORDINANCE

<u>FUND #</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>DECREASE</u>	<u>APPROVED</u>
Health				
1159.21100.000.0000	Office Supplies	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
1159.21300.000.0000	Personal Health	\$800.00		\$800.00
1159.22000.000.0000	Gas, Oil, and Lube	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00
1159.31600.000.0000	Postage	\$300.00		\$300.00
1159.31100.000.0000	Legal Services			\$5,100.00
<u>County General (1000)</u>				
<u>Commissioners (0068)</u>				
1000.39300.000.0068	Comm Corr Indigent Funding		\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
<u>Circuit Court (0232)</u>				
1000.11707.000.0232	Translator		\$5,371.00	\$5,371.00
Total County General			\$20,371.00	\$20,371.00
<u>Identification Protection (1160)</u>				
1160.34400.000.0000	Equipment/Software		\$17,786.00	\$17,786.00
<u>LIT Public Safety - Co. Share (1170)</u>				
1170.11907.000.0005	K9 Maintenance		\$4,439.00	\$4,439.00
Total All Funds			\$42,596.00	\$42,596.00

<u>FUND #/DEPT.</u>	<u>REQUESTED HOURLY/BI-WEEKLY</u>	<u>APPROVED</u>
Clerk (001) Clerk's Office - Civil/Election Asst. Deputy Wesley Scott - effective 7/14/2025	\$18.83/hr.	\$18.83/hr.
E911 (1222) Dispatcher Sydnie A. Mann - effective date 8/2/2025	\$19.30/hr.	\$19.30/hr.

Upon a motion by Cory Sprunger and second by Bob Rhoades to approve the 2025 Amended Salary Ordinance. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Cory Sprunger and second by Fred Velez to approve the transfers by resolution. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by John Summers and second by Jim Voglewede to approve the additional appropriations. Motion Carried.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

Upon a motion by John Summers and second by Fred Velez to approve payment of \$4,000.00 on repairing the courthouse flagpole and apparatus since the original ARPA request of \$9,425.00 will not be enough. Motion Carried. The City of Decatur agreed to pay \$3,300.00.

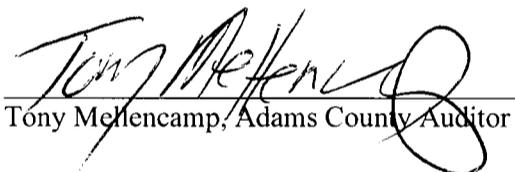
Commissioner Steve Bailey reported that the county phone system has had issues and that the IT Director, Mike Brown, will be coming with a proposal on a new phone system.

Upon a motion by John Summers and second by Fred Velez to approve a two week overlap for training for the Sheriff's Department. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Cory Sprunger and second by Bob Rhoades to approve the Auditor to pay the 27 pays in 2026. Motion Carried.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion by John Summers and seconded by Lennie Corral to adjourn. Motion Carried.


Tony Melencamp, Adams County Auditor


Dennis Bluhm, Council Chairman