

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met October 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Steve Bailey, Doug Bauman, Stan Stoppenhagen, HR Coordinator, Shannon Greene, Attorney, Mark Burry, Chief Deputy Auditor, Angie Brite.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and seconded by Doug Bauman for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for October 14, 2025. Motion Carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Animal Control Report

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve entering the Monthly Animal Control Report, submitted by Chad Sprunger, into the record. Motion Carried.

Allied Weekly Health 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 -\$54,227.08. Motion Carried. The Auditor verified claimants.

Payroll Time Card Approval

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

Weights and Measures

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

Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the payroll claims in the amount of \$387,755.86. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Buildings and Grounds Manager, Rick Burkhalter, reported that the Service Complex boiler panels are not working. These panels were installed in year 1994.

Dilling Group can have new ones installed on Thursday of this week at a cost of approximately \$5,000 to \$6,000.00. Rick stated he has enough in his budget to pay for them.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to have Dilling Group install the new panels at the Service Complex.

The Service Complex Sewer line on the East side of the building needs cleaned out. On Veterans Day (weather permitting) with the city's help they are going to dig the line up and cut down the tree by the sewer line. Andrews Plumbing is going to clean line and put in a galvanized pipe with a "Y" at the end to make it more accessible. Hopefully this will help resolve some of the sewer problems the Complex is having.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND COUNTY ENGINEER

County Engineer, Nate Rumschlag presented Bridge 93-preliminary Engineering Contract. Engineering Resource Inc has submitted their fee proposal. The proposal is below the budgeted estimate that was not to exceed \$253,890.00 provided to INDOT. This will help keep the project on point for the new year. This will be last duration of the project development and will be reimbursable by the grant at a rate of 80%.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Engineering Resource Inc on budget estimate and can now be submitted to INDOT and enter into our agreement for reimbursement. Motion Carried

Community Crossing Mitigation Grant for year 2026 have been drafted. Applications close October 21st.

Bridge 105 (CR 000N of CR 300S) plans advertised on Oct 17th. Bridge 66 (CR300 N between 100W & 200W). Jutte is planning to start this approach rework on Thursday. The closure will be limited to allow for a quick removal & concrete pour. This should take 7 days to allow for the concrete to cure.

Highway Superintendent, Brad Yoder, presented that Hartland REMC requested a permit to move a pole on 550 W (between Winchester Rd. & 1100 N)47 feet to the north.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Hartland REMC to move the pole on 550 W 47 feet to the north. Motion Carried.

It's that time of the year to send out annual bids for next years materials. The bids will go out Nov. 4th. and be opened on December 9th at the Commissioners meeting.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve opening the annual bids on December 9th Commissioners meeting. Motion Carried.

Next week will be the last week for the mowing crews to be out.

IN RE: BUILDING AND PLANNING

There were no reports.

IN RE: COUNTY RECORDER

County Recorder, Tom Krueckeberg presented his annual CSI agreement that needed approved for the following year. The cost went up somewhat, but is very comparable to others. He is very pleased with their service.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve the annual CSI Contract.

Motion Carried.

IN RE: COUNTY SHERIFF

County Sheriff, Dan Mawhorr informed the commissioners that his ADA Pads in the parking lot are going to be replaced due to deterioration. They have become a slip, trip, fall hazard. Also, they are putting in an extension to the sidewalks to the back of the jail. One last thing is the gutters are leaking at the back of the confinement center and will be replaced yet this year.

IN RE: HR COORDINATOR

Human Resource Director, Shannon Greene presented a revised Travel & Expense Policy that goes into effect immediately.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the revised Travel & Expense Policy. Motion Carried.

Last weeks Commissioners meeting Jody Kinsey from USI Insurance spoke on the stop-loss carrier with Ardellis. The cost of the policy as a whole came down overall as the final outcome.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to accept Ardellis as the stop-loss carrier for Adams County. Motion Carried.

Allied Insurance had first quoted that going to Northwind as our TPA would cost \$6,000. They have now come back and said it is going to cost \$15,000 to switch from CVS to Northwind. Northwind is willing to pay half of the \$6,000 to take us on. With this change it would cost the county more to switch. Upon discussion, the Commissioners tabled a motion until Shannon & Jodi can get some more information.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Resolution 2025-5, approving the appointment of the members of the board for the Northeast Indiana Regional Development Authority. Motion Carried.

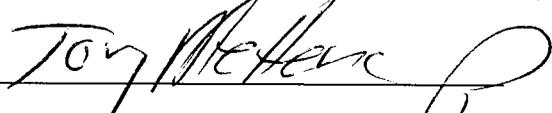
Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Resolution 2025-6, amending Resolution number 2022-3 establishing the Adams County asset management plan. Motion Carried.

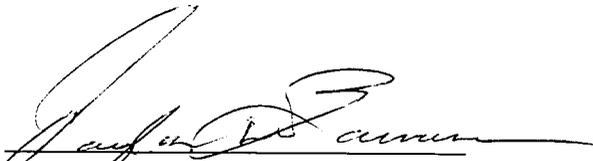
IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Mark Burry asked if Steve Baily spoke to Fleming Excavating on the demolition specs for Golden Meadows. Flemings was wanting to know how much top soil they are wanting after demolition of the building and if it was all structures on just the main building. After discussion it was determined that a resolution needs to be written up with what they are wanting and then presented.

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


Doug Bauman, Commissioner


Steve Bailey, Commissioner, Chairman


Stan Stoppenhagen, Commissioner