

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met December 16, 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, Clayton Lengerich, Attorney, Mark Burry, Auditor, Tony Mellencamp.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and seconded by Steve Bailey for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for December 9, 2025. Motion Carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

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 \$33,303.13. Motion Carried. The Auditor verified claimants.

Time Card Approvals

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen approve the time cards for appointed department heads. Motion Carried.

Animal Shelter Report

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve entering the animal shelter report, submitted by Cindy Heiser, into the record. Motion Carried.

Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve the 12/05/2025 Payroll Claims in the amount of \$397,350.83. Motion Carried.

Eastern Alliance

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Eastern Alliance Worker's Comp claim in the amount of \$2,876.50. Motion Carried.

IN RE: BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Buildings and Grounds Manager, Rick Burkhardt, provided updates and reports. He thanked his staff and the staff from the city on spreading salt and shoveling snow. The Commissioners agreed with Burkhalter that a job entrance was needed in order to gain entry into the Commissioner room. Commissioner Bailey noted there had been a discussion regarding some security at Superior Court and to speak with Sheriff Mawhorr regarding this issue. The Commissioners asked Burkhalter to bring back a proposal on this in the future.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND COUNTY ENGINEER

County Engineer, Nate Rumschlag reported on various activities.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the various engineer annual bids that were put under advisement the previous week, CivilCon, Metal Culverts, St. Regis, TLC Making it Easy, and Enneking Pressure Cleaning Inc. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve three on-call agreements with RQAW, HWC Engineering, Janssen & Spaans Engineering in 2026, each not to exceed \$25,000.00. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve quotes being sent out on a new County Engineer vehicle. Motion Carried.

Highway Superintendent, Brad Yoder, and Assistant Superintendent, Paul Zerby, presented several matters.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve the annual bids submitted for highway items. Motion Carried. The bid tab is posted elsewhere in these minutes.

Upon a motion to allow the Highway Department to seek quotes to purchase equipment for an existing tandem axle chassis in order to get it earlier than expected. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to send for quotes on a new pickup truck to replace one that was totaled the previous year. Motion Carried.

2026 Bid Opening Tabulation

Adams County Highway Department Aggregates
- limestone and natural gravel

		IMI	Stone Street	USAgg	BROOKS	ROCK CREEK
Item No.1		Quarry price per ton				
	1/2" CHIPS					
	2Comm	\$ 14.25	\$ 14.00	\$ 13.55		\$ 8.10
	8Comm		\$ 20.10	\$ 17.25		\$ 11.45

	8 State	\$ 17.50	\$ 20.10	\$ 17.25		
	9Comm		\$ 20.75	\$ 17.25		\$ 12.45
	9 (course)		\$ 20.75			
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	10 Comm					
	10FF			\$ 14.80		
	11 Comm		\$ 25.50	\$ 17.50		\$ 14.10
	11 State	\$ 18.00	\$ 25.50			
	11 Large		\$ 25.50			
	12 Comm		\$ 25.50	\$ 9.10		\$ 9.45
	12 State	\$ 19.10	\$ 25.50			
	26A			\$ 17.50		
	53Comm	\$ 13.55	\$ 14.00	\$ 12.10		\$ 7.60
	53 State	\$ 16.90	\$ 14.00	\$ 13.10		
	68 Comm					
	73 Comm	\$ 13.55	\$ 14.00	\$ 12.10		\$ 8.10
	73 State	\$ 16.90	\$ 14.00	\$ 13.10		
	Revetment rip rap	\$ 16.70	\$ 16.50	\$ 19.05		\$ 16.95
	Class 1 rip rap		\$ 45.00			
	Class 2 rip rap		\$ 45.00			
	Screenings	\$ 11.00				
	Stone sand	\$ 11.65	\$ 10.00	\$ 6.60		\$ 4.95
	Natural sand #23					
	Price per ton delivered to Monroe - 15 to 20 ton loads.			\$ 4.50		\$ 6.00
		API Contrustion	E&B Paving	USAgg	BROOKS	
Item No. 2	Cold mix/winter mix					
	Loaded on Adams County trucks	\$ 95.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 98.00	
	Delivered to Monroe	\$ 116.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 144.50	\$ 108.00	

Item No.3	Diesel fuel and gasoline	KEYSTONE COOP	PETROLEUM TRADERS	NATIONAL OIL	MCCL
		Base price per gallon	Base price per gallon	Base price per gallon	Base price per gallon
	Unleaded Gasoline 87 OCT	QUOTES WILL BE REQUESTED WHEN ORDERING			
	Unleaded Gasoline 89 OCT				
	Unleaded Gasoline 93 OCT				
	Off Road Diesel				
	Off Road Diesel				
	Off Road Diesel				
	On Road Diesel				
	On Road Diesel				
	On Road Diesel				
	Premium Diesel				
	Winter Blend Diesel				
	Premium Winter Blend Diesel				
Item No.4	Asphalt emulsion slurry seal and micro-surfacing	Price per square yard	Price per square yard	Price per square yard	Price square
	Minimum 10,000 square yards per mobilization				

	Slurry seal	\$ 3.25			
	Rut filling micro-surface coarse only	\$ 5.80			
	Micro-surface single coarse full width	\$ 4.25			
	Micro-surface double coarse/rut filling and full width	\$ 5.65			
Item No. 5	Fiberized asphalt crack sealant	Price per square yard	Price per square yard	Price per square yard	Price square
	Minimum 10,000 square yards per mobilization				
	Crack seal with polypropylene fibers	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.62		

		Great Lakes Chloride			
Item No.6	Calcium chloride	Price per gallon	Price per gallon	Price per gallon	Price gallc
	Minimum 4,000 gallon loads				
	38% calcium chloride	\$ 1.50			
	42% calcium chloride				
	32% calcium chloride corrosive inhibited	\$ 1.54			

IN RE: BUILDING AND PLANNING

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Replat Lots 2 & # in NB Land Subdivision / Root Sec 12 / 2 Lots / Location on CR200E, north of CR1000N. Motion Carried.

IN RE: HR COORDINATOR

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Chairman signing an agreement with Delta Dental to release forms for clients. Motion Carried.

IN RE: OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

Veteran Services Officer, Trey Likes, gave an update to the Commissioners regarding activities his office has been involved in. He provided a year end review of happenings with veterans.

Chaunsay Cook, SWCD Director, was present to discuss her update for the end of 2025. There were various topics and discussions between Cook and the Commissioners including crops, water runoff, grant availability, etc. Cook invited the Commissioners to an upcoming Farm Expo as well.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve a within series transfer from river cleanup to dog pound in the amount of \$2,051.00. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Steve Bailey provided an update on the Adams County Vision Plan and that the consulting firm is continuing its work on finding those in the community that can aid in completing the plan.

Commissioner Stoppenhagen noted the Opioid Steering Committee had met recently and there were around \$300,000.00 in requests from various groups. The Commissioners had approved \$100,000.00 so discussion was held regarding whether to scale them back or vote to give more revenues. Stoppenhagen will discuss this with the Committee and bring a recommendation back to the Commissioners.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve a special purchase method pursuant to IC 5-22-10-7, IC 5-22-10-4, and IC 5-22-10-8 for the purchase of equipment and services to upgrade the county phone and emergency communication system from Allstar Communications and Intermedia as their proposal is

the only proposal that meet the county’s reasonable specifications and requirements and is the only proposal reasonably compatible with the existing system and needs of the County and to likely remedy the emergent communication deficiencies. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve authorizing IT Director, Mike Brown, as the Chief Information Officer to sign the proposal service agreements upon review and approval of final contract terms by the office of the Adams County Attorney. Motion Carried.

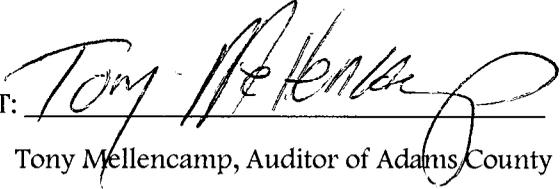
Adams County Council had already approved up to \$10,000.00 up front and a monthly cost of \$4,106.83 at their December meeting. There would also be some cost to add users for voice mail to email integration, teams integration etc. at a cost of \$39.56 per user.

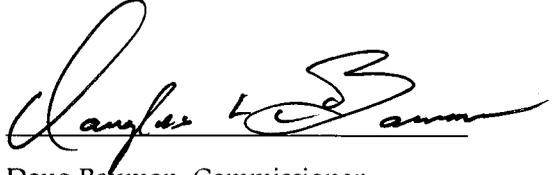
Attorney, Clayton Lengerich, noted he had approached some Country Acres property owners about cleaning up the properties. He stated he was told by a couple of them that it is their intention to get this done.

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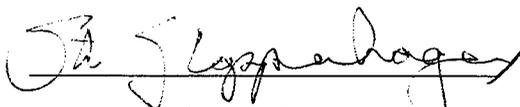
ADJOURNMENT

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