

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met December 23, 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, 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 16, 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 \$144,956.90. Motion Carried. The Auditor verified claimants.

**Weights and Measures**

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve entering the Weights and Measures Report, submitted by Inspector, Dab Hackman, into the record. 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 \$32,119.51. Motion Carried.

**Animal Control Report**

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

**Payroll AP Claims**

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Payroll AP Claims in the amount of \$354,678.83. Motion Carried.

**Accounts Payable Claims**

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve the Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$671,370.91. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Buildings and Grounds Manager, Rick Burkhart, provided updates and reports.

**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 lowest responsive bid for the work on Bridge 58 to Milestone at \$86,913.30. The other bidders included Pioneer, and RL McCoy. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve Chairman Bailey to docusign a Community Crossings Grant Award. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the signing of an American Structurepoint agreement following approval by INDOT. Motion Carried. This is a reimbursable agreement in the amount of \$143,838.24.

Highway Superintendent, Brad Yoder, presented several matters.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve the MVH and LR&S Monthly draws in the amounts of \$318,898.34 and \$26,269.33 in that order. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** BUILDING AND PLANNING

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the November Monthly Building and Planning Report submitted by Director, Mark Wynn. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve Marco Development Subdivision / Preble Sec 35 / 2 Lots Located on CR500W, North of US 224. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Randy Reynolds Land Subdivision / Wabash Sec 36 / 2 Lots / Located on CR1100S, East of CR150E. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** HR COORDINATOR

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the updated policy manual to take effect January 3, 2026. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

Upon a motion by Doug Bauman and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve cancelling the Tuesday, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> Commissioner meeting. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve paying an invoice for a JAG reimbursable grant out of cycle before the end of year in the amount of \$88,880.50 to Motorola. Motion Carried.

The Northeast Indiana OCRA (Office of Community and Rural Affairs) representative, Lindsey Hammond, was present to introduce herself to the County Commissioners. The organization aids rural local governments and acts as a pass through to find grants to help with projects.

Commissioner Stoppenhagen reported that a recent Opioid meeting resulted in the possibility of increasing the limit to award to those who applied for funds.

**IN RE:** COUNTY ATTORNEY

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Doug Bauman to approve a temporary lease agreement for six months to WIC (Meridian Health Services) in the Adams County Service Complex with an earlier or later exit possible with 30-day notice so they can find another location. Motion Carried.

**IN RE:** ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST: Tony Mellencamp  
Tony Mellencamp, Auditor of Adams County

Doug Bauman  
Doug Bauman, Commissioner

Steve R. Bailey  
Steve Bailey, Commissioner, Chairman

Stan Stoppenhagen  
Stan Stoppenhagen, Commissioner