

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met March 19, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Doug Bauman, Rex Moore, and Kim Fruechte; County Attorney, Mark Burry, County Auditor, Mary Beery and Chief Deputy Auditor, Kristy Stuckey.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the Adams County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for March 12, 2019. Motion carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR'S REPORT

Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the payroll claims totaling \$293,323.29 for the pay period ending March 8, 2019. Motion carried.

Claims

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the claims totaling \$314,769.06 for the period 2/21/2019 to 3/6/2019. Motion carried.

Health Insurance

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for Allied Health Insurance funding request for March 18, 2019, in the amount of \$19,652.95 (Medical \$19,652.95 & Pharmacy \$0.00). Motion carried.

Clerk of Circuit Court Monthly Report

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept into the record the February 2019 report from the Clerk of the Adams County Circuit Court. Motion carried.

Workman's Compensation

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of paying out of the regular claim cycle the claim to Eastern Alliance Insurance Company (Workman's Comp), in the amount of \$924.43. Motion carried.

Community & Family Services Board Appointment

A letter from Community & Family Services was presented for the Commissioners to sign to appoint Gary Teeple as their representative to their executive board. This appointment is effective for the calendar year of 2019.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to appoint Gary Teeple as their representative to the Community & Family Services executive board. Motion carried.

IN RE: COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Reconstruction of Beers Tile

Commissioner Bauman reported at the meeting of the Drainage Board which was held before the Commissioners meeting taxpayer, Randy Plummer, addressed the topic of reconstructing Beer Tile in Hartford Township.

Attorney Burry added the request was to construct a new tile next to the existing tile at the John Thomas ditch. This request was taken under advisement at the meeting of the Drainage Board. Mr. Plummer was requesting the Highway Department make road cuts and culvert installations and/or any help from the county on that matter. This request was documented for the record that the request was made.

IT Department

Commissioner Moore reported the cabling at the Courthouse was checked for continuity. They tested 20 cables and expanded to 77 cables with a 50% defective rate. The board of Commissioners will need to evaluate re-cabling the entire Courthouse.

E-911 Budget

Commissioner Bauman talked to Sheriff Mawhorr on the E-911 budget. Commissioner Bauman asked that Sheriff Mawhorr meet with the board on this topic. He was going to meet today but he is out of town.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

Bids B-100 Bid Opening

County Engineer, Tim Barkey; and Highway Superintendent, Lonnie Caffee; opened the following bids for the Bridge B-100 project on county road 300 W between 100 S & 200 S over Blue Creek.

Contractor	Amount	Representative
Duncan Robertson, Inc., Franklin, IN	\$359,962.00	Matt Robertson
RG Zachrich, Defiance OH	\$291,842.05	Kendra Lichtle
Jutte Excavating, Fort Recovery, OH	\$244,437.60	

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to take the bids under advisement. Motion carried.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Boring and Overhead Permits and Installation Agreements

Highway Superintendent, Lonnie Caffee, submitted the following boring and/or overhead permits and installation agreements for approval;

Company	Location	Township	Fiber Optic lines
Zayo Group	200 W – 1100 N – 1200 N	Root	X

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the boring permit from Century Link.

Motion carried.

Zayo Group	1100 N – 000 RD – 200 W	Root	X
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Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to approve the boring permit from Century Link.

Motion carried.

Zayo Group	000 RD – PIQUA RD – 1100 N	Root	X
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Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the boring permit from Century Link.

Motion carried.

Zayo Group	PIQUA RD – BELLMONT RD – 000 RD	Root	X
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Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the boring permit from Century Link.

Motion carried.

MVH/Local Road & Street

Mr. Caffee presented the monthly MVH and Local Road & Street report to the Commissioners stating the MVH and the LRS funds have decreased from last year.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the MVH and Local Road & Street report into record. Motion carried.

Community Crossing Grant

The department has not received final determination on the Community Crossing Grant monies.

Roads

Mr. Caffee presented a report (on file in the Auditor's Office) for labor and material costs on wintermix, total patcher, patching chip and seal/horse troughs, and hauling stone for 2017 and 2018. The report breaks down each job category and splits it between the north and south ends of the county. Stone lasts longer on the north end of the county therefore less money is spent on that end. He questioned how he should break down the funds due to the south end costing more. He tries to complete each township but the beginning townships are in need of maintenance before the south end of the county is complete. It would help if the buggy wheels were made with rubber.

Buggy Plates

Buggy permits will be issued until May 15th

Department Summer Hours

Mr. Caffee requested approval of his crew working 4 - 10 hour days beginning May 13, 2019.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, approval to permit the Highway Department to work 4 - 10 hour days throughout the summer beginning May 13, 2019. Motion carried.

IN RE:

BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Service Complex

Building Maintenance Supervisor, Mike Stimpson, was not in attendance.

IN RE:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Sanitarian, Jessica Bergdall, requested permission to hire a replacement for the food inspector who will be retiring. The position is a current position and was budgeted for 2019.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, approval to fill the food inspector position. Motion carried.

IN RE:

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROCLAMATION

Emergency Management, Karla Marbach and Barb Lehrman; presented the following:

“SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS WEEK”

MARCH 17 - 23, 2019

WHEREAS: The months of March through June present the highest risk for severe thunderstorms and tornadoes to strike Adams County Indiana; and

WHEREAS: Flooding is Indiana's most frequent and costly disaster event and since 1994 Indiana had received 12 disaster declarations related to flood; and

WHEREAS: From February 29 through March 3, 2012, Southern Indiana was devastated by powerful storms activity that caused loss of life resulting in federal disaster declaration; and

WHEREAS: The worst tornadoes often occur at night, such as the 2005 deadly tornado Evansville, which shows the importance of Hoosiers having the ability to receive warning 24 hours a day; and

WHEREAS: Hoosiers deserve to be informed of planning and preparedness best practices that help minimize the number of weather related deaths and injuries and are invaluable in helping individuals, families and business recover quickly and completely from emergencies and disasters.

WHEREAS: A statewide tornado exercise will be held on March 19, 2019 for the purpose of testing communications systems, equipment, and procedures; and

WHEREAS: During this week, the Adams County Emergency Management Agency is emphasizing its safety procedures involving tornado activity:

NOW THEREFORE, We, the Commissioners' of Adams County, Indiana do hereby proclaim March 17 - 23, 2019 as

“SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS WEEK”

in Adams County, Indiana, and encourage all citizens to become aware of tornado danger signs and to learn how to safeguard the lives of our families, friends, and citizenry in the event of severe weather activity in our area.

Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman

Rex Moore, Commissioner

Kim Fruechte, Commissioner

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the Severe Weather Proclamation for severe weather preparedness. Motion carried.

Indiana Emergency Alert Program

Mrs. Marbach presented the documentation on the Indiana Emergency Alert Program. Anyone can sign up to receive notifications via phone calls, text messaging, e-mail and by the Everbridge app. They can choose to receive notifications about events that may affect their home, workplace, family’s schools and more. The system will be used to notify about imminent threats to health and safety as well as informational notifications that affect their locations or work environments.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, the meeting for March 19, 2019 was adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST: Mary B. Beery
Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor

Kim A. Fruechte
Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner

Rex Moore
Rex Moore, Commissioner

Douglas L. Bauman
Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman

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