

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met April 16, 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, and County Auditor, Mary Beery.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the Adams County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for April 9, 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 \$290,803.16 for the pay period ending April 5, 2019. Motion carried.

**Claims**

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the claims totaling \$465,215.88 for the claims to be paid 4/17/2019. Motion carried.

**Health Insurance**

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for Allied Health Insurance funding request for April 15, 2019, in the amount of \$43,591.00 (Medical \$43,648.46 & Pharmacy \$0.00 & Refund \$57.46). Motion carried.

IN RE: COMMISSIONERS REPORT

**IT**

Commissioner Moore reported on the following claims to be submitted for payment by the IT Department.

Dell - license renewal of \$71,223.53 for software programs

VMware - \$9,504.00 for one year

MacAfee \$7,195.00

All of the above items have already been budgeted.

IN RE: HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Office Manager of the Health Department, Stacey Lee, asked for approval of closing the Health Department on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The office will be understaffed due to vacation and appointments. They will post a notice on the door of the office.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of closing the office from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

**Cumulative Bridge**

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, opened the following bids for culvert C-112, located on County road 500 E between 900 S and 1000 S.

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Representative</b>
Jutte Excavating, Fort Recovery, OH	\$65,445.00	
Luginbill Excavating, Berne, IN	\$58,200.00	Cain Luginbill
Fleming Excavating, Decatur, IN	\$54,812.25	
VTF Excavation, Celina, OH	\$48,802.25	Aaron Bathe

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

Mr. Barkey submitted for approval a permit from CenturyLink to relocate phone cable on 400 E south of Piqua Road. This will need to be granted for the culvert C-089 project.

Mr. Barkey submitted the Adams Countywide Bridge Inventory load posting changes and restrictions. INDOT has increased their awareness and changed their limits. The load ratings follow the new INDOT requirements and have been completed by Butler Fairman & Seufert for all of the county bridges. As a result, 9 bridges require a load posting change and 1 bridge requires special restrictions. These are shown below:

- Bridge 5, which carries CR 600 East over Staub Ditch, is not currently posted. It is recommended to post this bridge at 25 Tons.
- Bridge 20, which carries CR 1000 North over Gerke Ditch, is currently posted at 15 Tons. It is recommended to remove the load posting of this bridge.
- Bridge 43, which carries CR 550 North over Holthouse Ditch, is not currently posted. It is recommended to post this bridge at 25 Tons.
- Bridge 58, which carries CR 500 North over Holthouse Ditch, is not currently posted. It is recommended to post this bridge at 25 Tons.
- Bridge 62, which carries CR 400 North over Holthouse Ditch, is not currently posted. It is recommended to post this bridge at 25 Tons.
- Bridge 106, which carries CR 200 South over Blue Creek, is currently posted at 14 Tons. It is recommended to lower the load posting of this bridge to 8 Tons.

Mr. Barkey reported at 14 tons it allows a school bus on the road but at 8 tons it does not. He has spoken with Adams Central Schools to notify them. This bridge is located over the Blue Creek ditch and has a single span of 70'. It was not on his list to replace and he recommended the board hire Butler Fairman & Seufert to survey and assign the project.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval to use Butler Fairman & Seufert to survey and design the bridge B-106 project. Motion carried. Mr. Barkey will get them to expedite the project.

- Bridge 114, which carries CR 300 South over Blue Creek, is not currently posted. It is recommended to post this bridge at 25 Tons.
- Bridge 127, which carries CR 500 South over Luginbill Ditch, is not currently posted. It is recommended to post this bridge at 25 Tons.

Load Posting Changes

- Bridge 134, which carries CR 300 East over Wagley Farlow Ditch, is currently posted at 15 Tons. It is recommended to remove the load posting of this bridge.
- Bridge 75, which carries CR 400 West over Beery Ditch, is not currently posted. This bridge is an adjacent box beam bridge that has been widened with steel beams and a concrete deck. It is recommend to restrict traffic on this bridge from driving on any of the steel beams on either side of the bridge deck. In order to accommodate this, it is recommended to place temporary traffic barriers on the edges of the box beams so the bridge roadway is narrowed from 28'-9" down to 17'-0" clear roadway. The barriers should be placed so that they are supported by the concrete box beams and not the steel beams. We assumed a weight of 200 lbs/ft for each temporary traffic barrier and a width of 18" for our calculations. In addition, it is recommended to install Narrow Bridge signs at each approach to warn motorists of the reduced roadway width. Note: If this restriction is not put in place, the bridge would need to be load posted for 10 tons.

Mr. Barkey reported there are two options that we could utilize. The widening was placed on it in the late 80's and there are no plans available to show reinforcement or beams used. Two semis cannot pass at one time. He will get a contract this year for replacement and it will require an additional from Council.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval to restrict it to one lane with a plan for replacement this year. Motion carried. Mr. Barkey will get them to expedite the project. He will get with a firm to narrow the roadway with barriers, sign properly as narrow bridge at intersections, flashing lights, and maintain the area until it can be replaced.

Butler, Fairman & Seufert recommend that the correct posting be installed at each structure and at the nearest intersection within the next 30 days. Restrictions should also be installed within the next 30 days. Our bridge inspection team will need photographs of the new signs and restrictions installed at each bridge to update the INDOT database. Photographs at the intersections are not needed.

Mr. Barkey stated bridges B-20 and B-134 have plenty of cover to remove the 15 ton sign and they are okay to be open to traffic.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

**Buried Cable Permits**

Highway Superintendent, Lonnie Caffee, submitted the following buried cable permits and installation agreements for approval;

Company	Location	Township
CenturyLink	E 1000 N begin N 500 E – N 300 E	Union

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the buried cable permit and installation agreement from Century Link. Motion carried.

Indiana Michigan Power	600 N begin 200 E – 300 E	Root
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Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the buried cable permit and installation agreement from Indiana Michigan Power. Motion carried.

NIPSCO	1100 N - 200 W at 2309 W – 1100 N	Root
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Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the buried cable permit and installation agreement from NIPSCO. Motion carried.

CenturyLink	N 500 E begin E 800 N – CR 750 N	Union
	N 500 E begin CR 750 N – E 700 N	Union
	E 700 N begin N 500 E – N 600 E	Union

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the buried cable permits and installation agreements from CenturyLink. Motion carried.

**Department**

The pipe crew is working on 900 S for four miles and the wintermix crew is patching potholes.

**Buggy Plates**

The department has sold 867 buggy plates as of this morning and there is an estimated 1,400 additional to be sold.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Building Maintenance Supervisor, Mike Stimpson, was absent.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Mark Burry, presented for signature a letter to department heads requesting that the 2020 budgets are submitted to the Auditor’s Office on or before Friday, June 7, 2019. Council has recommended that budgets that are not submitted on or before the deadline will be froze at the 2019 amounts.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the letter and send it out to all department heads. Motion carried.

IN RE: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Fruechte read a statement as follows; During the April 12, 2019, Economic Development meeting Director, Trevor Hobbs, was dismissed from his position. The decision was made by a unanimous vote by the Board of Directors. The officers appointed, Larry Macklin, previous Adams County Economic Director, to temporarily resume the position.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, the meeting for April 16, 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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