

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met September 10, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Doug Bauman, Kim Fruechte, and Rex Moore, Deputy Auditor, Angie Brite. County Auditor, Mary Beery was in budget hearings and County Attorney, Mark Burry, was absent.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the Adams County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for September 3, 2019 were approved. Motion carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Treasurer's Report

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

Animal Shelter

The Adams County Commissioners accepted into the record, the August 2019 report from Animal Shelter Directors, Charlie and Carol Bowers. This report states that they had sheltered 5 dogs and 13 cats with 1 being claimed and 6 adoptions. Zero animals were euthanized, and the Animal Shelter is currently housing 11 animals. There was \$20.00 receipted into the County General fund.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the Animal Shelter report for August 2019 into the record. Motion carried.

Health Insurance

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for Allied Health Insurance funding request for September 3, 2019, in the amount of \$21,569.71 (Medical \$22,119.68 & Pharmacy \$0.00 & Recovered Refunds \$549.97). Also Allied Health Insurance funding request for September 9, 2019, in the amount of \$39,488.31 (Medical \$39,578.91 & Pharmacy \$0.00 & Recovery Refunds \$90.60). Grand total of both claims in the amount of \$61,058.02. Motion carried.

There is currently a combined total of \$2,433,993.12 in the checking and reserve accounts.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to accept into record the current Health Insurance bank account balances. Motion carried.

Clerk of Circuit Court Monthly Report

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept into the record the August 2019 report from the Clerk of the Adams County Circuit Court with two reports for the month of August. The first report came from the prior C.S.I. program that ended 8-16-19 and the second report from the new Odyssey program from 8-17-19 to 8-31-19. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

Cumulative Bridge

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, presented a revised contract with R. Reinhart to finish all labor, materials, hardware, supplies needed to finish landscaping and seeding along Peacekeepers Way from Winchester Street to the Adams County Judicial Center. This also includes the Chapel Chase Subdivision and the contract is \$4,090.00. R. Reinhart's started seeding today and plan to be finished by the end of the day on Wednesday.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the revised contract with R. Reinhart for landscaping. Motion carried.

Commissioner, Doug Bauman, asked what is being done with the north side of the driveway at the Judicial Center? This is about an eighty-foot strip of property that also needs maintained. Mr. Barkey stated this is a city right of way and he would like to turn it over to them. Something would need to be formally written up to do this. Mr. Bauman said he would talk to Sheriff, Dan Mawhorr, about possibly doing this.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Buried Permits & Installation Requirements

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

APPLICATION / PERMIT #	UTILITY COMPANY	ROAD	ROAD SECTION	TOWNSHIP
ROW-2019-A-0065	CENTURY LINK / ELECTRICOM	VAN BUREN ST	HOCKER ST - 100 N	WASHINGTON
ROW-2019-A-0065	CENTURY LINK / ELECTRICOM	POLK ST	US27 - SR124	WASHINGTON
ROW-2019-A-0066	AEP / EAS	100 S	500 W - 600 W	FRENCH

AEP contracted out to a company called Teracon to perform the installation. Teracon never acquired a permit prior to digging and hit a drain tile. Teracon said they would fix the tile they damaged and then acquired a permit for digging.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the buried permit and installation agreement for AEP. Motion carried.

Century Link also requested a permit. This is in front of Strick Corporation and is in the county right of way.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore to approve the buried permit and installation agreement for CenturyLink/Electricom located on Van Buren Street. Motion carried.

Mr. Caffee asked the board how he should resolve a situation he ran into last week. There is a fence row on 750 S & 300 W on the north side of the road that is in the counties right of way by about 2-3 feet. This is causing a delay in

prepping the road and sides for paving. The fence row needs to go back further or be removed. The property owner is willing to work with the county, but it could take about six months. Yesterday some of the road crew cut down brush out of the fence row to help clean it up a little. The county needs the fence row taken care of sooner than six months. Mr. Caffee told the property owner he would speak to the Commissioners and take it from there.

Upon discussion the Commissioners asked Mr. Caffee to talk to the property owner again and state it needs done in the next 30 days. The property owner will also receive a letter from the county attorney in regards to this request.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte to have Highway Superintendent, Lonnie Caffee, talk to the property owner and let him know the Commissioners decided he needs to move the fence row within 30 days. He will also be receiving a letter from the county attorney in regards to this matter. Motion carried.

Mr. Caffee reported that the City of Decatur contacted him and Wayne Asphalt will be working in Decatur next Tuesday and Wednesday milling roads. There will be about 60 loads of milling to be hauled out to the south landfill. Mr. Caffee has been in contact with Solid Waste Director, Jeff McIntosh, to make sure they are dumping the millings where it will work best for Solid Waste.

Roads

Mr. Caffee informed the Commissioners that the road crew is cleaning the culverts on the roads to help with drainage. They will also clean up property owner's yards that have been affected by standing water and debris. Some of the crews are working on 750 N prepping the road for paving. This is being funded with Community Crossing Money. Other crews are patching roads by shooting oil and putting stone down on weak spots in the roads that have areas that cracked or were cut thru. The mowing crew is working on 750 S & 850 S trying to control the grass and weeds.

IN RE:

BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Service Complex

Building Maintenance Supervisor, Mike Stimpson, reported that the backflow at the Service Complex will be taken care on on Saturday, September 21st.

Mr. Stimpson reported the outside windows at the Courthouse, Superior Court Building, and the Service Complex have not been washed for almost seven years. Some of the windows have screens on them and are extremely dirty. Mr. Stimpson said they will use the window cleaner that has been used in the past. He received a quote of \$3,500 to do all three buildings. Window cleaning is scheduled for September 27 and 28. Mr. Stimpson said that he has enough in his budget to cover the cost.

The women's restroom in the gym will be repainted and Parks & Recreation will pay for a new vanity to be installed. Joe H Construction has finished drilling into the walls at the Courthouse to run wire.

IN RE:

PROBATION

Chief Probation Officer, Jack Odle, met with the board to discuss transferring money from adult user fees to urinalysis. The amount needed transferred is \$2,000 to cover costs.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to move \$2,000 from user fees to urinalysis. Motion carried.

IN RE:

CIRCUIT COURT

Circuit Court Judge, Chad Kukelhan, discussed the cost savings to the county by going electronic and phasing out law books within one year. By doing this instead of the county paying \$12,918.40 yearly, the electronic storage and law books will cost \$5,760. This is a savings of \$7,158.40 over two years because the second year the hard copies of the law book will go away and it will only be electronic thru Lexus Nexus.

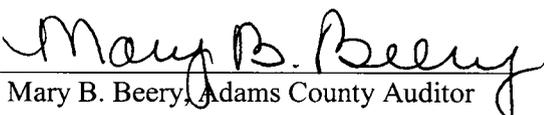
Judge Kukelhan informed the Commissioners that on November 12th from 9:00 am to 11:00 am at the Bellmont High School Auditorium there is a program called Appeals On Wheels coming to Adams County. The State of Indiana has been doing his program for several years, but not in Adams County. The program is open to the general public and is wanting students focusing on a criminal justice career, government classes, Elected Officials and anyone with an interest to attend. All three schools in the county will be participating in the program. This will be an actual appeal hearing with three judges from the State Court of Appeals hearing a real case. After the appeal court a luncheon will be served at 11:30 am at Adams Memorial Hospital sponsored by Sprunger & Sprunger Law Firm. This is an R.S.V.P only luncheon.

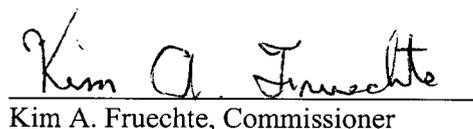
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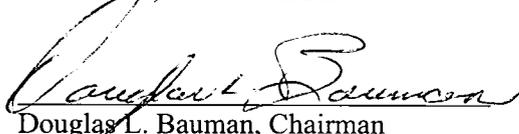
Upon a motion Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, the meeting for September 10, 2019 was adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST:


Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor


Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner


Rex Moore, Commissioner


Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman