

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met October 27, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Doug Bauman, Kim Fruechte, and Rex Moore; County Attorney, Mark Burry; County Auditor, Mary Beery; and Deputy Auditor, Kristy Stuckey.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the Adams County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for October 20, 2020. Motion carried.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the payroll claims totaling \$309,224.55 for the pay period ending October 16, 2020. Motion carried.

Claims

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the claims totaling \$508,859.30 to be paid October 28, 2020. Motion carried.

Health Insurance

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of payment for the Health Insurance Allied Benefits Administrative Service and claims for November 2020. The breakdown of the claim is as follows: medical premium \$49,624.33; PPO fees \$1,026.00; admin fees \$2,556.80; September RC ID fee \$7.50; for a premium total of \$53,214.63. Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the Allied Health Insurance funding request for October 26, 2020, in the amount of \$49,594.41 (Medical \$17,426.45 & Pharmacy \$32,255.96 & voided payment credit \$88.00). Motion carried.

Ancillary Insurance

The insurance premiums for full-time employees for the ancillary insurances (dental, vision, life, long-term disability) will remain the same for 2021. This is on file in the Auditor's Office.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval for rates to remain the same for 2021. Motion carried.

Weights and Measures Report

The Weights and Measures report was resubmitted for the period September 16 to October 15, 2020 stating there had been 68 inspections, with 67 correct and 1 rejected. The report was tabled last week for an explanation on the rejection. The electrical board needs replaced on the rejected scale and the pump is fine.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to accept into record the report from September 16, 2020 to October 15, 2020. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

Cumulative Bridge

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, opened the following bids to replace culvert C-409 located on 500 W between 450 S and 500 S over the Moser Tile.

Contractor	Amount	Representative
Fleming Excavating, Decatur, IN	\$30,230.25	No one present
KBL Transport, Portland, IN	\$33,250.00	No one present
VTF Excavation, Celina, OH	\$28,400.00	Eric Bath
Precise Pile Driving, Inc. Fort Recovery, OH	\$23,850.00	No one present
Dave's Excavating, Inc., Marion, IN	\$38,349.50	Jana Briles

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

Bridge B-106 over Blue Creek on 200 S had contracted with Miller Surveying for the legal descriptions for right-of-way. County Attorney, Mark Burry, will look them over and contact the five landowners. Mr. Barkey would like to apply for Community Crossings Grant in January 2021. The project would be bid out in March or April and then have the construction start in fall of 2021.

IN RE: LARE GRANT

Doug Nussbaum, of the Department of Natural Resources, presented the LARE Grant for a project on 1100 S at the Wabash River. At the last Upper Wabash River Basin Commission meeting, Commissioner Bauman told him to make a report. The Commission took a look at the river and made recommendations on erosion. They broke this up into three phases. Phase 1 is located in Adams County on 1100 S and was considered the number one critical phase. The Highway Department could do some of the trucking for the in-kind match. Each county would be responsible to apply for the grant in their county. Approximately \$100,000 would be for the construction for Adams County. This would be 80% from program and 20% match from sponsor. Adams County is looking at an \$80,000 match from the commission and Adams County pays \$20,000. The \$100,000 for the construction part will be done in fall 2021. Mr. Barkey said highway would take care of the \$10,000 cash match and \$10,000 in-kind portion.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, Adams County will be the sponsor for the project. Motion carried.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Superintendent, Brad Yoder, said the current assistant supervisor, Jaron Brodbeck, is stepping down. He interviewed several candidates. He would like Paul Zerby be the Assistant Supervisor. He is currently an employee of the department and said he would accept the position.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve Paul Zerby as the Assistant Supervisor. Motion carried.

Department

Mr. Yoder reported the department is cleaning up, cutting brush, and waiting on a project in Berne due to weather. The Commissioners commended the department for the mowing and roadwork.

Mr. Yoder said that any work that is done in the right-of-way and side ditch requires a permit per Ordinance 2017-16. They found a ripped tile at 200 N and 250 E. They looked into this and discovered a subcontractor with CenturyLink ran a cable, which caused the tile to break. They filed a claim with CenturyLink and they have decided to pay up to the 6-inch tile. The Highway Department will take care of the rest. Mr. Yoder provided the plan for the repair on this and it was given to Mark Burry to look over.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Complex Building

Building and Grounds Supervisor, Rick Burkhalter, gave an update on the A/C unit being installed for the IT room. Part of the cement pad has been prepared. Gene Blakey began the wiring and construction has started as well.

IN RE: REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT

Regional Sewer District Director, Barry Scherer, updated the board on the district. They released Bobo and State Road 101 last week, Highway 33 and Salem Road should be released next week. The \$500,000 funds borrowed from the county will be reimbursed at closing. All projects will be released to start after that. Fleming was the low bidder on Barrington Woods, Clem's Lake and Linn Grove and not sure of the date they will begin.

Mr. Scherer said they are having trouble finding a yard for the contractor to store their equipment near Linn Grove. The Commissioners gave him a couple of names to contact and thanked all involved with the work they completed to get the project where it is.

IN RE: SUBDIVISION CONTROL/LAND USE ORDINANCE 2020-13

Ordinance 2020-13

Ordinance 2020-13, an ordinance amending and restating article 4 to the Adams County and land use ordinance in accordance with the provisions of I.C. 36-7-4 regulating the subdivision of property within Adams County was presented by Mark Wynn, Building and Planning Director, for approval.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to adopt Ordinance 2020-13. Motion carried. All three Commissioners were in favor of Ordinance 2020-13 and approved it.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to withdraw Ordinance 2020-13 to rephrase. Motion carried.

The Plan Commission will have to approve the changes and a meeting is scheduled for November 9, 2020.

Motion by Rex Moore, the Commissioners reviewed the draft ordinance to send back to the Plan Commission to make changes that they identified as well as any additional changes determined to be needed, seconded by Kim Fruechte. Motion carried.

This restricts future subdivisions from creation on the portion that was not sold off. If the surveyors have any questions, they can contact Mark Wynn.

IN RE: SHERIFF

Sheriff, Dan Mawhorr, was not present but he submitted the new job descriptions for the jail commander & assistant jail commander, jail sergeants and corporals.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the job descriptions as was submitted to them. Motion carried.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney, Mark Burry, presented the following resolution:

Resolution 2020-19

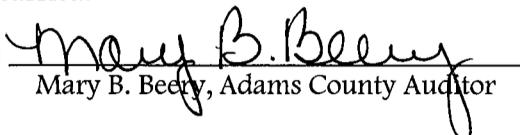
A RESOLUTION OF THE ADAMS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCERNING PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF CARES RELIEF FUNDS TO THE ADAMS COUNTY GENERAL FUND, was introduced. Eligible for payroll for the Sheriff's Department

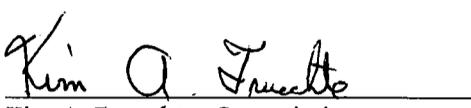
Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to adopt Resolution 2020-19. Motion Carried.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, the meeting for October 27, 2020 was adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST:


Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor


Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner

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Rex Moore, Commissioner


Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman