The Adams County Board of Commissioners met June 8, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Rex Moore, Stan Stoppenhagen, and Steve Kuhn; County Attorney, Mark Burry, HR Coordinator Shannon Greene, Chief Deputy Auditor Brianna Brodbeck, and Auditor, Tony Mellencamp.

# IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and seconded by Steve Kuhn, for approval by the County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for June 1, 2021. Motion carried.

#### IN RE:

### **AUDITOR REPORT**

#### Drug Screen Claims

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the drug screen claims from Adams Memorial Hospital in the amount of \$70.00. Motion Carried.

#### Payroll Claims

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve payroll claims for 5/28/2021 in the amount of \$317,205.81. Motion Carried.

## **Animal Shelter**

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the May Monthly Report for the Adams County Animal Shelter with \$40 in fees collected. Motion Carried.

# Accounts Payable Claims

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve claims in the amount of \$491,862.06. Motion Carried.

### **ALLIED Insurance Claims**

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the insurance claims submitted by Allied in the amount of \$61,120.68. Motion Carried.

### Clerk Report

Ûpon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the Adams County Clerk's May Monthly Report. Motion Carried.

### Treasurer Report

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the May Monthly Treasurer's Report. Motion Carried.

# IN RE: HIGHWAY

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Beam, Longest and Neff for bridge inspections through 2025. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to tentatively approve work on the bridge B-106 work to Jutte Excavating, \$773,112.90. Motion Carried.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to approve the highway department to work four 10-hour days during the summer months with Fridays off. Motion carried.

# IN RE

# **BUILDING AND GROUNDS**

Rick Burkhalter reported that BTS submitted bids for replacing one chiller or both chillers. They are 26 years old with a life expectancy of 20 years and some compressors are going bad. It was reported that other alternatives may be a waste of revenues as panels would be replaced twice and the refrigerant would be different if you partially replaced items instead of replacing altogether. Current Mechanical submitted a bid at a cost of \$158,022.00 for one new chiller or \$265,777.00 for two new chillers and BTS (Building Temperature Solutions, LLC) submitted a bid at a cost of \$143,656.00 for one new chiller or at a cost of \$241,615.00 for two new chillers.

Upon a motion by Stan Stoppenhagen and second by Steve Kuhn to take the bids under advisement for the County Attorney to research the proper paperwork and bid procedure until next week. Motion Carried.

# IN RE:

### **TREASURER**

Treasurer Ed Dyer presented an updated estimate from L&D Mail Masters to mail out the tax bills in an automated fashion. He personally toured the facility in New Albany and was very impressed with them. The cost of doing this is very similar to doing it by hand now when factoring in all aspects of it. The estimated cost of doing this is \$12,623.82. The Treasurer believes the savings will come close to equaling the amount of the cost. He would like to try it for a year and see if it goes well. This would come under the Commissioners budget and if it goes well and they keep it then it could come under the Treasurer's budget. Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve this for one year. Motion Carried.

# IN RE:

### **BUILDING AND PLANNING**

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve the May Monthly Report presented by Mark Wynn, Building and Planning Director. Motion Carried.

# IN RE:

# **COUNTY ATTORNEY**

County Attorney Mark Burry presented the Commissioners with the final right of way purchase at the corner of CR700S and US 27 owned by Elmer and Lizzie Schwartz for work to be done to make this intersection safer by widening it. Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve this purchase in the amount of \$31,230.00. Motion Carried

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to approve Resolution 2021-12, regarding liens on properties not sold at tax sale. There are some properties within a municipality that have been abandoned and the municipality would like to receive the lien in order to clean up the property, sell it, and get it back on the tax rolls. Property owners would receive notice and a specific time period to redeem the property and pay the back taxes. If they do not, then the city would take ownership.

IN RE:

OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY PRESENTED

The Commissioners discussed their budget in preparation for budgets that are due on June 15.

IN RE:

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Upon a motion by Steve Kuhn and second by Stan Stoppenhagen to adjourn. Motion Carried.

IN RE:

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

The Adams County Commissioners held an Executive Session in the Adams County Service Complex on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 following the Commissioners Meeting concerning the following: Employee Evaluations I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(6) The Auditor confirms this is all that was discussed.

ATTEST:

Tony Mellencamp, Auditor of Adams County

Steve Kuhn, Commissioner

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Rex Moore, Chairman