

Board Minutes September 6, 2022

The Adams County Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at 9:00 AM with the following members present: Doug Birt, Bobbi Maynes, Leland Shipley, Scott Akin, and Merlin Dixon. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Birt and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Akin moved, seconded by Maynes to approve the agenda along with the minutes of the August 29, 2022, meeting. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Secondary Roads has ordered a flatbed for the foreman's truck for a cost of about \$12,000 and a broom for a skid steer for about \$9710. The lift station needs some work. Meetings this week include the City of Corning on the Hull Street water main, Blacktop Services on the roadway project, Verizon on the vehicle locator system on issues, and Hungry Canyons. The overhead lines are going to be buried out at Stringtown and an overhead light installed.

Shipley moved, seconded by Akin to approve Utility Permits 22-07 and 22-08 for SIRWA on Kentucky Avenue, Jasper Township and 116th Street, Colony Township respectively. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Jamie Stargell, Main Street Corning President, informed the board about a renovation project for Sally's Alley that is being planned and a T-Mobile Hometown Grant that they will be applying for in the amount of \$30,000 which requires letters of support from various entities. The renovation included adding picnic tables, sunshades and wall art. Shipley moved, seconded by Maynes to approve signing a letter of support for the project. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action concerning county emails and tablets for the Board was tabled.

Discussion and possible action concerning an update in language in the employee's handbook was tabled due to additional information being needed.

Maynes moved, seconded by Akin to approve the Adams County Organization Chart. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on the DOT Comprehensive List concerning Highway 34 was tabled. The Board would like to study the situation before making their recommendation to the DOT. Their preference would be that Highway 34 would be all four lanes.

Department Head Reports: Recorder – There are approximately 200 books left to scan. Last week, old records were sent to Iowa Land Records. The Recorder's Office might be closing at noon on Friday due to Homecoming events. Sheriff – Body cameras are not working very well now, and the software is not currently supported. The Sheriff's office is working on a solution. October 1 is the test date for new candidates for the deputy position. There has been an arrest in the case of the stolen vehicles across several counties including Adams. Treasurer – Things are going smoothly. Conservation – Made it through the Labor Day weekend fairly well. The sewer system needed attention but is working now. Applying for several grants, \$250,000 to Destination Iowa, 90/10 grant of \$7000 to DNR/Fisheries for repair to one of the fish hatching ponds, to the community foundation for environmental education. Currently working on putting in an archery range. Auditor – Special Election is September 13 and preparations for the General Election on November 8th are underway.

Discussion on the Courthouse Renovation project was held by the board. There will be no staging or planning of moves until after the results of the bond election are known.

Committee and Meeting reports were presented as follows: Maynes – RCD, Creston, September 1, First Friday BBQ, Corning, September 2; Akin - First Friday BBQ, Corning, September 2; Birt – SICO, Creston, August 31.

The Board will move the meeting time of the September 19th meeting will be at 1:00 to allow for canvassing the special election. Also, on the 19th of September at 3 PM there will be a meeting for consultation with the local school districts regarding the TIF project.

Maynes moved, seconded by Dixon to adjourn the meeting at 10:09 am. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST: Doug Birt, Chairperson, Adams County Board of Supervisors
Rebecca Bissell, Adams County Auditor