

Board Minutes May 1, 2023

The Adams County Board of Supervisors met on Monday, May 1, 2023, at 9:00 AM with the following members present: Leland Shipley, Chris Standley, Bobbi Maynes, Tony Hardisty, and Scott Akin. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Shipley and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Akin moved, seconded by Standley to approve the minutes of April 24, 2023 meeting and the April 27, 2023 work session and to also approve the agenda as presented. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Driveway Policy was discussed but no action was taken. Discussion was held to include Adams County Secondary Roads will assist with driveway repairs when in the area as scheduled with the Engineer and putting in a driveway for any new residential builds.

Engineer Bechtold updated the board on the 5-year plan. He showed maps of the bridge projects, base stabilization projects, and the funding required.

Jeanne Jackson said there are now 928 signatures on their petition, played a video of Diane Lange and presented a letter from Lange as well describing her negative experience with the wind turbines. Jill Breach, a Nurse Practitioner, spoke about the health effects of wind turbines. She stated that she personally has felt pressure headaches while being around them but did state that these health issues are subjective.

Department Head Reports: Auditor – The seatbelt policy has been added to the handbook and all department heads have been informed of their duty to have all employees sign and return to the Auditor's Office. Forms are coming in but there are over 40 still out. Filed the ARPA report that was due April 30th with the update of where we are in spending our allotment. Working on updating and activating credit cards for those employees who have them. Working on preparing a budget amendment for the fiscal year. Secondary Roads – Contract rock is being applied in the central part of the county. Gave a Purple Wave update. Treasurer – Delinquent tax notices will be sent out, have \$144,000 left to collect. Conservation – Marti graduated from the Academy and is now back at the park. Classes are being provided for Southwest Valley and Lenox for Classes for the Wild program, and the Corning Elem are bringing other classes out. Install of the utilities in the extra full hook-ups is going smoothly. The fish cleaning station is having issues, but the fish rearing pond is fixed which is good as walleye fry are coming this week. IT – Email security and training along with a phishing test is happening, working on constant updates. Recorder – Getting books back and sending more to be refurbished. Having a great response of applications for the opening in the Recorder's office.

Scott hasn't heard back from DCI concerning courthouse renovations.

Public comments were presented by the following: Matt Olive attended the Taylor County turbine informational meeting held recently in Lenox and encouraged Adams County to do something similar. Juli Cooper read the Page County minutes on the reasons they passed the ordinance they passed and is still concerned about non-participating landowner rights. Lynn Irr asked what the process was for ordinance readings and is concerned for everyone's health and well-being. Marci Allen commended the Conservation Director on the educational events at the lake and in the school systems.

Committee and Meeting reports were presented as follows: Akin- 5th Judicial, Zoom, April 26; Hardisty – E911, Creston, April 26; Maynes – Crossroads Finance, Creston, April 24.

The board will be holding a work session on Wednesday, May 3 at 9 AM to review ordinances.

Hardisty moved, seconded by Standley to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 am. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST: Leland Shipley, Chairperson, Adams County Board of Supervisors
Rebecca Bissell, Adams County Auditor