

Board Minutes December 11, 2023

The Adams County Board of Supervisors met on Monday, December 11, 2023, at 9:00 AM with the following members present: Tony Hardisty, Scott Akin, and Bobbi Maynes. Leland Shipley attended via phone. Chris Standley was absent. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Akin. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Maynes moved, seconded by Hardisty to approve the agenda as presented along with the minutes of December 4th regular meeting. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Hardisty moved, seconded by Maynes to approve Resolution 2023-34 Transferring \$680,980.05 From Rural Fund to Secondary Road Fund.

Resolution 2023-34

To the Treasurer of Adams County, Iowa

You are Hereby Authorized to Transfer as Budgeted:

Six hundred Eighty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Dollars and Five Cents
From Rural Services 11000-10300-812-99
To Secondary Roads 20000-10300-9020-20

By Order of the Board of Supervisors

All Supervisors voted aye. Motion carried. Attested by Auditor Bissell. The original resolution is on file in the Auditor's Office.

Secondary Roads update: Iowa State Trooper workshop presented to secondary roads information about load enforcements, tie downs, etc. Operators from Cass and Montgomery County also attended the event. Staff is attending CPR training this week in Prescott. They have started a tracker system to record attendance at various safety events for staff. The culvert crew is working on clearing brush along Ginko Avenue between Highway 34 and old Highway 34. The sign crew has been working at night to check for visibility of signs. A grant in the amount of \$10,000 will be submitted in January 2024 for signage. An additional \$2000 has been received for reflective chevrons which have been installed. \$15,000 has been spent on signage so far this year. The Engineer will be attending the Annual Engineers' Conference next week. There appears to be some good break-out sessions that align with the work we are doing. Will be getting a demonstration on a GPS/survey system that will help with our Hungry Canyons and bridge projects. The quote for the system is \$16,000. Starting to look at old Highway 34 for work. Have found 13 culverts that all will need to be replaced. Montgomery County is working on the highway as well in their county. They are widening the road first and then will come back and resurface. Mechanic is servicing maintainers and a dozer. In their spare time the staff is developing a blade stand which they will enter into a competition at the state level. This stand will allow hands-free installation of motorgrader blades. The engineer presented a TIF Bridge schedule which lists bridges for repair and timeline for each. Working on the Hungry Canyons application and process. The Zoning Commission will be holding a meeting tonight at 5PM at the Corning Community Center.

Comprehensive Plan was discussed and wanting bids from both SICOG and Confluence. Jan Leonard, Mayor of Corning, shared with the board her concerns of the city and the county having plans from the same provider for consistency. The county engineer was directed to contact both SICOG and Confluence to obtain bids for a comprehensive plan as the supervisors would like to decide next week.

After discussion on the position of Weed Commissioner, the supervisors will reach out to staff at Secondary Roads at the Employee Appreciation lunch next week. The board expressed their desire to see the position at Secondary Roads. No action was taken.

Department head reports were presented as follows: Conservation: Held a safety meeting regarding winter conditions, started the budgeting process and looking at long range plans for both expenditures and income, exploring the possibility of seasonal campsites, the recent coupon and gift certificate sales were successful, air release valves are on order for the sewer system. IT: Securing prices on new panic button system and at the request of the supervisors will also look into new phone systems. Auditor: Working on budgets.

Discussions on Court House Renovations: The city sewer project involves the area where the courthouse hooks on to the sewer system. We would still be responsible from the building to the connection, but it would be an opportune time to look into fixing this area of the building. The supervisors will gather more specific information on this project. Several other areas were mentioned as well as the need to prioritize the list with cost estimates to see what could be accomplished with the funds available.

Committee and Meeting reports were presented as follows: Hardisty – Compensation Board, December 5, Corning; Akin – SICO, December 5, Creston, ISAC, December 6, via Zoom; Maynes – Conservation, December 4, Corning.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday December 18, 2023, at 9:00 AM.

Maynes moved, seconded by Hardisty to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 AM. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST: Scott Akin, Vice-Chair Adams County Board of Supervisors
Rebecca Bissell, Adams County Auditor