

## Board Minutes March 4, 2024

The Adams County Board of Supervisors met on Monday, March 4, 2024, at 9:00 AM with the following members present: Tony Hardisty, Scott Akin, Chris Standley, Bobbi Maynes, and Leland Shipley. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Akin at 9:00 am. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Standley moved, seconded by Maynes to approve the agenda. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried. Shipley moved, seconded by Standley to approve the minutes of February 26<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Shipley moved, seconded by Standley to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5.1(i) at 9:02 am. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried. Hardisty moved, seconded by Maynes to go out of the closed session at 9:34 am. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried. No action was taken.

Christopher Shires of Confluence gave a presentation on the New Renewable Chapter to the Comprehensive Plan. The new renewable energy chapter is a part of the comprehensive plan that will be a guide for the Zoning commission to use when developing or updating zoning ordinances.

Maynes moved, seconded by Hardisty to open the public hearing on a new renewable energy chapter as part of the comprehensive plan at 10:10 am. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried. No written comments were presented. Oral comments were then heard. Hardisty moved, seconded by Shipley to close the public hearing on a new renewable energy chapter as part of the comprehensive plan at 10:57 am. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Shipley moved, seconded by Hardisty to approve Resolution 2024-5.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-5**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ADAMS COUNTY, IOWA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING A NEW RENEWABLE ENERGY CHAPTER AS PART OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF ADAMS COUNTY, IOWA**

**WHEREAS**, Adams County, Iowa, (the “County”) desires to create updated zoning regulations for renewable energy within Adams County; and,

**WHEREAS**, a Renewable Energy Chapter as a component of a Comprehensive Plan can provide guidance to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the County Board of Supervisors on the standards by which to regulate renewable energy; and,

**WHEREAS**, the County hired a professional consulting firm to review the County’s existing plans, analyze its existing conditions, and prepare a new Renewable Energy Chapter for incorporation into the County’s adopted Comprehensive Plan; and,

**WHEREAS**, public input for this new Renewable Energy Chapter was obtained through an online community survey, by interviews with various stakeholders, and at two separate public meetings held by the County’s Planning and Zoning Commission; and,

**WHEREAS**, the process to create the new Renewable Energy Chapter was led by the Planning and Zoning Commission; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Adams County Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on February 19, 2024, to review the new Renewable Energy Chapter and receive public comment; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Planning and Zoning Commission at their February 19, 2024, meeting passed a resolution recommending the Adams County Board of Supervisors approve and adopt the new Renewable Energy Chapter as an addition to the Comprehensive Plan of Adams County; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors held a duly noticed, public hearing on March 4, 2024, to review the new Renewable Energy Chapter, receive public comment, and consider the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF ADAMS COUNTY, IOWA:**

1. The new Renewable Energy Chapter, as presented at the Board meeting held on March 4, 2024, is hereby approved and adopted as an addition to the official Comprehensive Plan of Adams County, Iowa.

Voting Aye: Shipley, Hardisty, Akin. Voting Nay: Standley. Abstaining: Maynes. The motion was approved and was adopted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024. Attested by Auditor Bissell. The original resolution is on file in the Auditor's Office.

Department Head reports were as follows: Secondary Roads – Decking on Quincy 9 needs repaired. Routine maintenance being done on signs. Clearing trees on Hickory and Holly Ave. Meeting Thursday at the Capitol with Senator Shipley regarding RR issues. Met with Hungry Canyons at a workshop regarding surveying software. Meeting with Scott and Dale on TIF projects later today. Auditor – Working with legislators on bills affecting Auditor affiliate and constituents. Continuing to work on budget and will start the amendment process shortly.

Committee and Meeting Reports: Hardisty – E911, Feb 28, Creston and LiDAR, Mar 1, Corning.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 11, 2024, at 9:00 AM.

Standley moved, seconded by Maynes to adjourn the meeting at 11:08 AM

ATTEST: Scott Akin, Chairperson, Adams County Board of Supervisors  
Rebecca Bissell, Adams County Auditor