

## Board Minutes December 16, 2024

The Adams County Board of Supervisors met on Monday, December 16, 2024, at 9:00 AM with the following members present: Scott Akin, Leland Shipley, Tony Hardisty, and Bobbi Maynes. Chris Standley was absent. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Akin at 9:00 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Shipley moved, seconded by Hardisty to approve the agenda and the minutes of the December 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Secondary Roads Update – Holding interviews this week for the Maintainer position. Posted Maintenance I job position. Finished up the tree removal around Nodaway on 260<sup>th</sup> Street. Working on some riprap on culverts in that same area. Ordered some pipe to replenish the stock in preparation of spring work. Grant 7 bridge was damaged due to a car accident; GOVIG will repair it. FEMA meetings are resuming this week. Sent the road crew out around 7 am on Saturday to treat the roads. Bridge report was very informative last week. Presented 5-year maps with plans, no plans, and spot treatment. Removing closed bridges Nodaway 16 and Colony 3 so they are uncrossable.

Hardisty moved, seconded by Shipley to approve the Interim Engineer Agreement with Nick Kauffman to provide engineering services for 180 days starting Jan 1, 2025. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Shipley moved, seconded by Maynes to approve Resolution 2024-31 Signature Designation for Nick Kauffman.

### RESOLUTION 2024-31

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Adams County, Iowa, that, effective January 1, 2025, Nick Kauffman, P.E., the Interim County Engineer of Adams County, Iowa, be and is hereby designated, authorized, and empowered on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of said county to execute the certification of completion of work and final acceptance thereof in accordance with final plans and specifications in connection with all Farm-to-Market and Federal or State aid construction projects in this county.

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

Sheriff Johannes gave an update on vehicles in his department. The dealership gave a low offer for a truck trade in so now is exploring other options.

Shipley moved, seconded by Hardisty to accept the resignation of Chris Cooper as the Nodaway Township Trustee with thanks for his years of service. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Hardisty moved, seconded by Maynes to approve Historic Preservation Commission's annual report. Have received final copies of the ground penetration study for the cemeteries. Will need to apply for grants to assist in receiving pioneer cemetery designation. The Commission celebrated 35 years of historical work for Adams County. Sending commissioners to Preserve Iowa Summit training. Hosting the Iowa mobile museum in October 2025.

Budget request was made by Historic Preservation Commission.

IT – Had to create access points for TV in jail, working on a plan for the server, dealing with never ending updates. EMA – Working on the budget. Responded to a couple accidents and fires. Working on emergency lodging for a family that was displaced due to the fire. There were no hazardous materials or air quality concerns reported. Maintenance – salted sidewalks over the weekend with the freezing conditions. Treasurer – Lori Shires turned in her retirement letter for January 21, 2025. Will start the process of job posting and acceptance of applications. Conservation – Still working through insurance claims from the last hail damage. Cabins and cottages were 100% full this past weekend with mostly deer hunters. Cottage cleaning crew is out on medical leave for an undetermined amount of time so staff will be cleaning for the time being. Working on the learning prairie area and is now ready for seed. Pheasants Forever is providing the seed for the area and the rest has been memorial money. Have a park ranger position open, working on job description, and will start accepting applications soon. Working on the annual update and budget. Auditor – Serving on a software taskforce that is exploring options for a new county government software.

Committee and Meeting Reports: Akin – Calhoun Burns, December 10, Secondary Roads, SICOG, December 11, Creston, EMA, December 11, Corning; Maynes – HF718, December 10, Red Oak; Shipley – HF718, December 10, Red Oak.

Maynes moved, seconded by Shipley to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 AM. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

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