

Board Minutes July 28, 2025

The Adams County Board of Supervisors met on Monday, July 28, 2025, at 9:00 AM with the following members present: Tony Hardisty, Scott Akin, Leland Shipley, Bobbi Maynes, and Chris Standley. Maynes left the meeting at 1:56 AM. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Hardisty at 9:00 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Akin moved, seconded by Maynes to approve the agenda and the minutes of the July 21st meeting. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Secondary Roads Update – Issuing payment to Godbersen-Smith. Should begin driving piling in the next week or two. Skid loaders arrived last week. Hungry Canyon project pipe is set, and we are backfilling dirt. There is a Streets and Roads conference September 9-11. Received five driveway permits on Friday. Horse and buggy signs are up. The 2008 tractor has hydraulic issues.

Shipley moved, seconded by Akin to approve claims as presented. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Access Systems Leasing	copier	148.68
Access Leasing	Maint Agree	115.01
ACEDC	Contrib.-Oth Gov.&Organ	65,000.00
Ahlers & Cooney, P.C.	Admin Costs	1,500.00
Alliant Energy	Utilities	33.95
Arrick,Lorie	Oth Labor rel servi	1,675.00
Bailey,Nicholas	Legal & Ct-Rel Serv.	1,018.40
Central IA Distrib Inc	Sup	2,480.00
Corning Mun	utilities	78.84
Corning Mun	Util	5,386.65
Corning Tire	Repair	680.00
Diamond Mowers Inc.	repair	2,542.64
IA Division of Criminal Invest	School or meet exp	170.00
Echco Concrete LLC.	repair	283.00
Feeders Grain	Sup	281.42
Frank's Body	Repair	405.41
Frontier	Phone	240.56
Geer Santitation	Sanitat Disposal	90.00
Geer Santitation	Utilities	75.00
Godbersen Smith Const.	Bridges	114,875.00
Hardisty,Tony	Employee Mile & Subs.	54.00
Heartland Business	Comp. Prog/Software/We	2,398.14
High Tech Electronics	radios	95.96
HyVee	Sup	4,687.21
ICN	Maint Agree	452.00
Infomax	Equip	153.45
ISAC	Dues	260.00
SEAT	School or meet exp	300.00
Lee,Joyce	Other	22.40
MidAmerican	utilities	17.56
Midwest Performance Patch	sup	5,818.00
Nishna Productions	Custod Suppl	461.72
Northern Tool	sup	1,359.96
Petersen Tire	supplies	5,866.00
Richey,Steve	safety reimb	144.44
RJs Plumbing	Repair	1,518.65
Shepherd Repair	Serv	271.20
Christensen,Sheryl	Oth Labor related servi	1,125.00
SIRWA	utilities	50.00
SW IA REC	utili	494.72
SW IA REC	Util	8,878.05
Steeve,Holly	Other	57.13
Swartz,Denise	Sup	1,875.00
T&B Enterprises	Sup	22.40

Grand Total	233,462.55
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Ben Mullen with Planning and Zoning, presented options for IworQ software. If signed by the end of the month, the one-time set up fee is waived. Akin moved, seconded by Maynes to approve IworQ permit management and online portal software for \$3,500 a year. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Sandra Leininger presented the Historical Preservation Commission Update. She thanked the board for the continued support and space to store exhibits. Three attended Preserve Iowa Summit in June and presented their cemetery project. Added three commissioner positions: Chamber, House of History and Kline Museum. Hosted Civic in Action Mobile Museum exhibit Iowa Places and People. The funding for Mobile Museum has been cut. WWI Honor Roll will be set up mid-October through November. Will also have a Smithsonian DC Companion WWI Lessons and Legacy exhibit. The commission is planning to gather information on all WWI who have ties to Adams County. National Register signs will be made for the House of History (Adams County jail) and the Opera House. QR code signs will be posted at Wayside Inn and Snyder Bridge. Also planning QR code signs at pioneer cemeteries and information could be updated on a website. Plan to obtain signs through Iowa Department of Prisons.

Raelynn Risser presented FMTC’s fiber expansion plan. Plan to market to those 500 feet from the main line. Will need a percentage of signers before moving to another area. Looking at six to eight years to complete the entire town. Previously that estimate was two years. ACEDC will continue to pursue other companies as this area needs fiber internet.

Raelynn Risser presented an ACEDC Widner Building update. The north wall was replaced. The planned completion date is the end of August/beginning of September. The building, entrepreneur program and growing community were featured in Innovation IOWA magazine.

Shipleigh moved, seconded by Standley to approve going into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i) – To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual’s reputation and that individual requests a closed session at 10:01 am. Ayes: Shipley, Standley, Akin, Maynes, Hardisty. Nays: none. Motion carried. Akin moved, seconded by Maynes to approve going out of closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i) at 11:11 am. Ayes: Maynes, Shipley, Standley, Akin, Hardisty. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Akin moved moved, seconded by Shipley to approve signing a document to participate in the Purdue opioid settlement. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Shipleigh moved moved, seconded by Standley to approve signing a document to participate in the Sandoz opioid settlement. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Deputy Miller reported on the HVAC system for Sheriff’s department. Four companies have taken a look and have various ideas of what the problem is. Waiting on quotes.

Discussion was held on video or audio recording and posting meetings. The board reached out to neighboring counties. There are some counties that do not record. The County Attorney stated there is no prohibition against recording. He shared some pros and cons. The biggest disadvantage would be misinterpretation and subject matters taken out of context. No action was taken on this matter.

Discussion was held on CO2 pipeline. The board is reviewing additional information from last week and obtaining clarification on water usage.

Standley moved, seconded by Shipley to approve going into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i) – To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual’s reputation and that individual requests a closed session at 12:27 pm. Ayes: Shipley, Standley, Akin, Maynes, Hardisty. Nays: none. Motion carried. Maynes left the closed session at 1:56 pm. Akin moved, seconded by Standley to approve going out of closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i) at 1:58 pm. Ayes: Shipley, Standley, Akin, Hardisty. Nays: none. Motion carried.

No action was taken regarding the subject of the closed sessions.

Department heads reports: Sheriff – Yearly inspection was last Friday. Participated in Summerfest with the dunk tank. Assessor – ISAC Summer School will be August 20-22. Fall School will be in October. Conducting a software audit of homestead credit and military exemptions. Planning and Zoning – Looking at IworQ software options. Receiving requests for tower permit; most permits are ag related. IT – Was gone last week and only received one phone call that needed attention. Treasurer – Office is running smoothly. Working toward taxes and end of year. Preparing for auditors who will be here in September. Auditor – Working on the

real estate tax process. Waiting on Solutions to fix one entry, then will be able to proceed with cash balancing. Gathering items needed for yearly audit.

Committee and Meeting Reports: Maynes – HHS, July 24, via Zoom; Shipley – Main Street, July 21, Corning; Hardisty – Southern Iowa Trolley, July 24, Creston; Akin – CHI, July 24, Corning.

Standley moved, seconded by Shipley to adjourn the meeting at 1:59 PM. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST: Tony Hardisty, Chairperson, Adams County Board of Supervisors
Betsy Stormer, Adams County Auditor