

Board Minutes December 15, 2025

The Adams County Board of Supervisors met on Monday, December 15, 2025, at 9:30 AM with the following members present: Scott Akin, Leland Shipley, Chris Standley, Bobbi Maynes, and Tony Hardisty. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Hardisty at 9:30 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Akin moved, seconded by Maynes to approve the agenda with the removal of ACEDC budget presentation and the minutes of the December 8th meeting. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried. There were no public comments.

Secondary Roads Update – The snow crews were out Saturday. Shouldering on 150th by Colony 19. Contractor plans to finish grooving and painting tomorrow. The road should be open after that. New mechanic Nick Woodard starts today. Had door damage at the shop and will have an insurance claim. Have been washing trucks and cleaning out pits. Will be stockpiling rock, hauling sand, and cutting trees. Working on budget, urban renewal plan, and budget amendment. Scheduling letting for Lincoln 3 and Lincoln 4 in January.

Standley moved, seconded by Shipley to approve County Engineer and Assistant County Engineer job descriptions. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

Compensation board held their annual meeting, and Wayne Page presented the recommendations as follows: 9% increase for Sheriff; 3% increase for County Attorney and Board of Supervisors; 5% increase for Auditor, Treasurer and Recorder with \$1,500 budget stipend for Auditor.

Sandra Leininger and Nancy Carmichael gave a Historical Preservation Committee update. The WWI exhibit was well attended. The committee has been able to identify 291 men with Adams County connections. Alan McGaffin's grandfather and great-grandfather built 25 houses in Adams County probably more than 100 years ago. The family had two large chests with tools they donated to Adams County. These will be displayed in the Lauvstad Building in May. In honor of Iowa's 250th celebration next year the Commission is asking if anyone has family connections to the Revolutionary War. Dick Blazek and Jim Reynolds plan to retire from the board; Gayle Anstey plans to be join and they are looking for another board member. Leininger and Carmichael presented a certificate of appreciation to the Board of Supervisors. They also presented their upcoming goals along with their budget request for FY 26/27.

Department heads reports: Conservation – Had board meeting last Friday and will be updating budget worksheets. Doug Birt will not be seeking reappointment to the Conservation Board. Camping coupon book sale this week. Previously we had some ice fishing and will continue to update ice conditions. Auditor – Held an HR training. Attended District 4 meeting. Working with departments on budget worksheets. Continue to work on valuations. Starting to receive PEO surveys.

Committee and Meeting Reports: Standley – HR Training, December 10, Corning, Annual District 4 meeting, December 11, Creston, Conservation, December 12, Icaria; Akin – HR Training, December 10, Corning, Widener Building, December 12, Corning, ACEDC, December 9, Corning, CHI, December 11, Corning; Hardisty – HR Training, December 10, Corning; Maynes – HR Training, December 10, Corning, Annual District 4 meeting, December 11, Creston, Widener Building, December 12, Corning; Shipley – HR Training, December 10, Corning, Annual District 4 meeting, December 11, Creston, Widener Building, December 12, Corning.

Akin moved, seconded by Maynes to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 AM. All supervisors voted aye. Motion carried.

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