

ADAMS TOWNSHIP  
MONTHLY MEETING  
June 3, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Board was held on Monday, June 3, 2019 at the Township Hall, 17118 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM. Pledge of allegiance was recited. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Trustee Mattila, Treasurer Immonen, Trustee Keranen, and Clerk Pindral. There were 9 guests in attendance.

MOTION made by Trustee Keranen with support from Treasurer Immonen to accept the minutes of the May 6, 2019 Monthly meeting and May 6, 2019 Wholesale Water meeting. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE:**

- J. DeForge requested permission to paint lines for pickleball on the basketball court in Baltic. They would be 44x20 and different colors than the basketball lines. He stated it is an up and coming sport requiring only a whiffle ball and a paddle. Permission was granted.
- Letter reviewed from the Houghton County Treasurer regarding foreclosure on three properties in Adams Township. One in Village of South Range and two in Atlantic Mine.
- Invitation to MDNR attend open house on June 19<sup>th</sup> from 3-6PM at the Baraga DNR Customer Service Station to discuss forest management action plan on healthy creative habitats and wildfire prevention.
- FEMA has accepted the NFIP application making the Township an official participant in the National Flood Insurance Plan. Residents may now purchase flood insurance through their own insurance agents. Information will be put on the Township's website and Facebook page.
- Notice from BCBSM regarding renewal. Supervisor Heikkinen will contact U.P. Financial.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Financial reports for May reviewed. Clarified that the fencing purchased was for the lagoons in Atlantic. MOTION made by Trustee Mattila with support from Trustee Keranen to accept the May financial reports. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Trustee Mattila reported for the last month there were 19 medical calls and 3 fire calls.

**ASSESSOR REPORT:** The Assessor report for May reviewed and approved.

**CEMETERY:** The cemeteries are open and looking good. The special assessment was approved for the next six years. Cost of special election was about \$2,800.00.

**BUSINESS:**

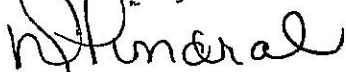
- Supervisor Heikkinen stated financials are needed ASAP on pump replacement at pumping station. The current pumps have exceeded expected lifespan, and three miles of water main also need to be replaced. Financial options need to be examined, and then paperwork submitted to Rural Development. Adams Township has 40yr agreements with the City of Hancock and Portage Township for water supply to also consider. Chris Holmes stated the formal agreement with UPEA for this water project also needs to be signed.
- No update on Circle Power and wind turbines.
- U.S. Dept. of Commerce requesting updates of residential addresses related to census and new construction program. Will direct this request to County clerk and Equalization.
- Service agreement received from Houghton County Road Commission for application of calcium chloride/oil on Academy Road and small section of Baltic. MOTION by Trustee Mattila with

second by Trustee Keranen to approve Service Agreement with Road Commission to apply dust control measures at approximate cost of \$1,450.00. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

- Treasurer Immonen received information to complete the 2019 L-4029. Clerk Pindral stated she would take responsibility to complete and submit the form.
- Roof replacement contract with DLHokenson was signed. He was paid \$16,000 at start and will receive rest of payment upon completion and inspection. Insurance claim received for about two-thirds of replacement cost.

With no other business brought before the Board, a MOTION at 6.30PM by Trustee Mattila with support from Trustee Keranen. Roll call, all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:



Debbie Pindral  
Township Clerk

ADAMS TOWNSHIP  
Wholesale Water Board  
June 3, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Wholesale Water Board was held on Monday, June 3, 2019 at the Township Hall, 17104 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35PM. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Treasurer Immonen, Trustee Mattila, Trustee Keranen, and Clerk Pindral. UPEA Chris Holmes, Water Superintendent Thomas Pietila, and Water Dept Employee Justin Hayrynen were also present.

- Tom Pietila stated the DEQ, now called Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE), has mandated 20 lead/copper water samples to be done twice yearly. This is in response to the Flint water crisis. He stated his priority areas are getting the Annual Consumer Report published, and obtaining the mandated water samples.
- No word on D2 test results.
- Correspondence received regarding the AMP Preliminary Dist. Sys. Material Inventory report due August 8<sup>th</sup>. Chris Holmes suggested asking for an extension. Gathering all the mapping of the distribution system, records, service line materials are time intensive.
- J. Hayrynen reported the leaks are fixed on Concord Street. Plan to replace line in Seeberville next week.
- Lift stations are being checked weekly and being logged. A pump in Painesdale is not recycling. A fan is being installed at lift station in Atlantic Mine. Generator needs replacement in Baltic lift station.
- Keweenaw Petroleum will be swapping out the Ferrellgas tank at Pump Station. A new one holding 1,000 gallons will be installed, making fewer wintertime fill-ups.
- T. Pietila stated the lagoons in Painesdale look green and are full but holding. Once the discharge is complete, the valve will be replaced.
- Cameras were priced. A CI28 camera with auto-leveling runs approx. \$5000.00. This includes training. Camera and operator could be rented out to neighboring precincts if necessary thus making more cost-effective. Supervisor Heikkinen stated he wanted to discuss further with Justin and Tom before purchase made.
- More water hydrants have been replaced.
- H. Platzke stated water shut-off notices are due to be sent out.
- J. Hayrynen inquired as to what is going to be done with the ballfield in Toivola. It is in need of work. Supervisor Heikkinen stated he would take a ride to the ballfield and inspect.
- Supervisor Heikkinen stated he will be out of town for the coming week, but Heather could reach him in an emergency.
- J. DeForge asked if water rates have increased in Baltic due to his water bill being high. He was informed that all residential water bills only went up \$1 this spring. He also inquired when the Township was going to install a shut-off for his waterline as there is currently none. Supervisor Heikkinen instructed Justin to check into.

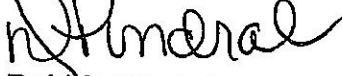
MOTION by Trustee Mattila with support from Trustee Keranen to leave Wholesale Water meeting and go into executive session at 7:00PM to discuss Township business. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Mattila with support from Trustee Keranen to exit executive session at 7:27PM and return to Wholesale Water meeting Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Heikkinen stated the Board discussed official Township business with no action taken.

With no other business before the board. MOTION by Trustee Mattila with support from Trustee Keranen to adjourn the meeting at 7:28P.M. Roll call, all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:



Debbie Pindral,  
Township Clerk