ADAMS TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING April 3, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Board was held on Monday, April 3, 2023 at the Township Hall, 17118 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM. Meeting started with reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Trustee Eister, Treasurer Immonen, Trustee Keranen, and Clerk Pindral. There were 9 guests participating.

MOTION made by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen to accept the minutes of the March 6, 2023 Monthly meeting, March 6, 2023 Wholesale Water meeting, March 29, 2023 Annual Meeting of the Electors and March 29, 2023 Budget Hearing. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

 P. Nettell stated Iroquois Street is getting worse. Supervisor Heikkinen reported waiting for road patching done by Road Commission.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Supervisor Heikkinen stated a 5-yr bonding contract renewal received from Bendzinski Co. He stated he contacted the company because the Township plans to pay off the loan 2023/24. The contract is for the company to report Township annual audit findings online to "EMMA". Supervisor Heikkinen and Office Manager Heather will attempt to log onto "EMMA" and post the audit, therefore the contract is currently on hold. This will save thousands in contract fees.
- Proposal received from Cummins for planned maintenance at lift stations, etc. Proposed fee is \$33,600. Don Cline will contact to negotiate better pricing.
- American Transmission Co. (ATC) will be rebuilding the electrical line from Atlantic Mine to Winona. No anticipated interruption of electrical service. This year will be mostly vegetation management with construction in fall of 2024.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Supervisor Heikkinen inquired if there were any questions or concerns regarding the March 2023 Financial Reports, and if none asked for a motion to approve. MOTION by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to accept the March 2023 financial reports. Roll call, all ayes. Motion approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

There were 14 medical calls and 2 fire service calls since last report. Chief Coponen stated he has met with UPEA regarding mechanical plan. Supervisor Heikkinen stated he discussed land purchase with A. Moyle. Will purchase 2 acres for \$50,000. He referred the legal details to Lawyer Mackey. UPEA Engineer Chris Holmes stated construction can begin when funding is approved,

ASSESSOR REPORT: BOR was quiet. The assessor holding pre-BOR eliminated lots of questions. Assessor Report for March reviewed.

CEMETERY: Not yet accessible due to snow.

BUSINESS - UNFINISHED/NEW:

- Chris Holmes stated the State Director was just licensed to approve loans. Reported no updates regarding RD funding on water project. Working on drafting fire hall mechanics.
- Official copy received of easement for trail. Lawyer Mackey strongly suggested filing it at the register of deed office. Clerk Pindral will get this filed this week.
- Martha Dugdale stated she has started the MTA Zoning Class. Reported the Planning Committee has a meeting planned for April 20th to start looking for grants for the recreation plan. Reminded everyone of the Public Hearing to be held on May 1 at 5:45PM to hear final comments on the Recreation Plan.

- Supervisor Heikkinen read DTE natural gas pipeline reminders. Suggestion made to attach information to land applications.
- Supervisor Heikkinen reiterated the Annual Elector Meeting was held. Also, the budgets have been finalized.
- Discussion regarding the lots including Lot 28 in Painesdale being donated to Painesdale Mine & Shaft. MOTION by Trustee Eister with support from Clerk Pindral to have Lawyer Mackey check into donation of lots with stipulation of 'revert back to Township if PM&S dissolved'. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried. Lawyer Mackey will proceed.
- Treasurer Immonen stated R. Paavola was presented with information requested (\$2,397.75) on the half-house in Baltic on April 1, therefore the 45-day clock is ticking.
- W. Manderfield gave an FYI that Talon LLC Michigan is leasing 594 acres from the DNR for possible nickel mine in Duncan Township which is just over by Duncan Township.

With no other business brought before the Board, a MOTION at 6:45PM by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister. Roll call, all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Subinitted by:

Debbie Pindral, Township Clerk

ADAMS TOWNSHIP Wholesale Water Board April 3, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Wholesale Water Board was held on Monday, April 3, 2023 at the Township Hall, 17104 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 6:38PM. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Treasurer Immonen, Trustee Keranen, Trustee Eister, and Clerk Pindral. Office Manager Heather Platzke also present.

- Treasurer Immonen stated she call R. Paavola regarding the Baltic half-house water bill/delinquent tax scenario and future implications. Stated if he paid the \$2,397.75 in monies due before the 45-day deadline, the current water and sewer charges would be dismissed.
- Heather reported no updates from mPower.
- New water meters supposedly shipped. Will be installed by employees. Meters will be partially paid for with remaining ARPA funds.
- Trustee Keranen stated N Huron St. in Atlantic Mine is in terrible shape, needs repair.
- Supervisor Heikkinen stated Don and Travis will be off on Good Friday/Easter Monday, and Terry Wiitala will be covering. Terry will be taking refresher course and exam in May.
- Supervisor Heikkinen stated the employees have built an equipment trailer for water jobs, repairs. Everything inside the trailer, just hook up and roll!

With no other business or comments before the board, a MOTION by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen to adjourn the Wholesale Water meeting at 6:49P.M. Roll call, all ayes, Motion approved.

Submitted by:

Debbie Pindral, Township Clerk