

ADAMS TOWNSHIP  
MONTHLY MEETING  
APRIL 2, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Board was held on Monday April 2, 2018 at the Township Hall, 17118 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM. Pledge of allegiance was recited followed by roll call. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Trustee Mattila, Treasurer Immonen, Trustee Keranen, and Clerk Pindral. There were 5 guests in attendance.

MOTION made by Trustee Keranen with support from Treasurer Immonen to accept the minutes of the March 5, 2018 Monthly meeting, and March 5, 2018 Wholesale Water meeting. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Correspondence regarding a presentation being held for U.S. Postal service regarding a new standard lease form. With regards to Atlantic Mine Post Office lease due in 2019, will attempt to obtain their form and contact Township Attorney Mackey about contract renewal details.
- Three bids have been received to fix the deteriorating brick facade on the fire hall in Atlantic Mine: Cline Construction bid \$7,350; Steve Ruotsala bid \$3,670; Portage Lake bid \$5-6,000. MOTION by Trustee Keranen with support from Clerk Pindral to approve S. Ruotsala bid of \$3,670.00 with work to commence as weather permits. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.
- WUPDR has contacted supervisor Heikkinen regarding obtaining DNR grants to improve recreation building, ballfield, etc. Township 5-year plan needs to be updated before grant application. WUPDR will assist Supervisor Heikkinen to develop goals and plan.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Financial reports for March reviewed. No significant changes since the annual Budget Meeting on March 21<sup>st</sup>. MOTION made by Treasurer Immonen with support from Trustee Mattila to accept the March financial reports. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Trustee Mattila reported since last monthly meeting there were 18 medical calls and 1 fire call.

**ASSESSOR REPORT:** Assessor report for March reviewed. Board of Review went well with veteran exemptions and mostly new owner PRE's. New contract agreement signed by assessor effective 4/1/18.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Chris Holmes, UPEA Engineer, reported nothing new to report on water project. Presented USDA Rural Development payment request for UPEA \$1,177.00, and Adams Township \$14,985.00 for total of \$16,162.76. MOTION by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Mattila to approve Resolution 2018-04-01 for payment in the amount of \$16,162.76. Roll call, all ayes. Motion passed.
- Board reviewed copy of letter drafted to be sent to Somero Enterprises regarding industrial waste clogging sewer line. CC of letter also to be sent to Portage Township. With the addition of manhole 4/5 language, letter approved to be sent. Lawyer Mackey has been contacted regarding renewal of 1998 agreement with Portage Township/Somero sewer system.
- Estimates received on 2017 F550 dump truck, options ranging from \$47,627 to \$51,765 on gas engine. Discussion regarding gas versus diesel. Purchase of dump truck was approved in

2017/18 budget. MOTION by Clerk Pindral with support from Trustee Keranen that due to the narrow time frame, to approve purchase of 2017 dump truck with small details being decided when placing actual purchase order. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

With no other business brought before the Board, a MOTION at 6:34PM by Trustee Keranen with support from Treasurer Immonen. Roll call, all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Debbie Pindral  
Township Clerk

ADAMS TOWNSHIP  
Wholesale Water Board  
April 2, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Wholesale Water Board was held on Monday, April 2, 2018 at the Township Hall, 17118 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 Mattila, Trustee Keranen, and Clerk Pindral. Also in attendance was Water Superintendent Bob Hudson, Justin Hayrynen, Jerry Wisniewski, UPEA Engineer Chris Holmes, and Office Manager Heather Platzke.

- Water Superintendent Bob Hudson stated he is getting all the equipment ready for lagoon testing. Due to weather, testing is behind schedule. His practice is to do one cell at a time.
- Ryan from the City of Houghton Water Department will be at the pumping station on Tuesday, April 10 to begin learning system. A regular schedule will be set up at that time. A contract-type agreement has been discussed.
- Supervisor Heikkinen asked Bob to meet with him on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30AM for a discussion. Supervisor Heikkinen will meet with Heather immediately following that meeting.
- Discussion regarding the M26 fix by Northern Hardwoods. UPEA will solicit bids for two options: To bore under M26 or to run from hydrant. Funding source for project has not yet been determined.
- The Somero sewer line is gravity fed versus pumped which prompted the original agreement with Portage Township. Heather will email the Portage/Somero agreement contract to UPEA to review.
- Heather and Treasurer Immonen will submit invoice to Postal Service for snowplowing done at Atlantic Mine this past season.
- Justin Hayrynen was instructed to begin reading the water meter for the Village of South Range. This falls in line with current practice with City of Hancock and Portage Township meter reading.

MOTION by Trustee Mattila with support from Trustee Keranen to convene in executive session at 7:05PM to discuss personnel issues. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Mattila with support from Trustee Keranen to exit executive session at 7:30PM. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Mattila with support from Trustee Keranen to re-adjourn Wholesale Water meeting session at 7:30PM. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Heikkinen stated personnel issues were discussed during executive session and to be handled at appropriate time. No action taken.

With no further business to discuss, MOTION to adjourn at 7:36PM by Trustee Mattila with support from Trustee Keranen. Roll call, all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Debbie Pindral,  
Township Clerk