

ADAMS TOWNSHIP
MONTHLY MEETING
August 1, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Board was held on Monday, August 1, 2022 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 via Zoom, Trustee Keranen, and Clerk Pindral. There were 12 guests participating.

MOTION made by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to accept the minutes of the June 11, 2022 Public Hearing, Monthly Meeting, Election Committee Meeting, and July 11, 2022 Wholesale Water meeting. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- T Parolini stated the Village Council will discuss selling the land to the Township for the water tank at their next meeting. Waiting on property appraisal.
- S. Lystilla asked if the Board was aware of the repulsive language on a sign across the street from the 6th St. Pangrazzi Park in South Range. Village is working with the owner for a resolution due to young children in proximity who can read.
- D. Cline stated he met with T. Flamenio from EGLE regarding best method to portray the seriousness of the damage on the DNR trail and the added stress on the main waterline. Plan to draft letters to coordinates higher up on the chain. Looking at ways to obtain emergency monies to get the job done.
- C. Holmes, UPEA engineer, reports the water project is still under review at rural development. DNR still has easement issues, as well as requiring all pipeline be removed when new line is put into the ground. K. Mackey is working with their lawyer to find a resolution.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. After one month to review, the Fire Station Bond Proposal was brought before the Board. Clerk Pindral stated to put the proposal on the Nov 2, 2022 ballot and let the public decide. MOTION by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen to adopt Resolution R2022-07-01 Fire Station Bond Proposal as presented to the Board. Roll call, four ayes and no nays (Treasurer Immonen ineligible to vote via zoom). Motion passed. Clerk Pindral will get the ballot language to the County Clerk for the November 8 election.
2. A letter was received from CAA requesting support to receive HOPE grant to add to their home repair/weatherization services. MOTION by Clerk Pindral with support from Trustee Keranen to send a letter of support on behalf of CAA for their HOPE Grant application. Roll call, four ayes and No nays. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Supervisor Heikkinen inquired if there were any questions or issues regarding the financial reports for July. MOTION by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to accept the July 2022 financial reports. Roll call, four ayes, No nays. Motion approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

There were 13 medical calls and 2 fire service calls since last report. Dan Coponen stated the fire department will work to promote the Bond Proposal on the November 8 ballot.

ASSESSOR REPORT: Board reviewed assessor report for July. BOR was held on 7/12/22 for corrections.

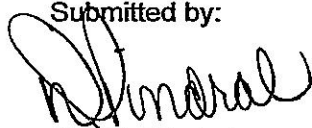
CEMETERY/BUILDINGS REPORT: Cemeteries are looking good. J. Wisniewski requested a \$500 budget to do some repairs and painting on the building at Mountain View. Supervisor Heikkinen stated he will approve the request. Cemetery workers are only working a 4-day week and over half of the millage funding is spent. He will keep an eye on that budget and adjust hours as needed. Clerk Pindral asked if the Board would investigate the "green burial" option for the future as there have been inquiries. Supervisor Heikkinen also asked D. Cline to look and repair the fence in Atlantic Mine. The back door of the hall also needs to be fixed. Repairs to the Ice Rink will need UPEA engineer design for a truss roof system and then metal roofing. Unsure if the rink will be useable this winter.

BUSINESS – UNFINISHED/NEW:

- Chris Holmes stated no new updates on water project application.
- No updates from Circle Power.
- Planning Commission is discussing doing a community survey in the next few months.
- Supervisor Heikkinen stated the auditor has clarified fixed asset classification versus repair classification. \$3000 is classified as fixed asset. He will review and update classifications for the auditor.
- H. Platzke asked for assistance with land use applications. Public gets upset when questions are not answered in timeframe they expect. Houghton County Building Inspection Dept. sends the public back for a land use application with every building permit. K. Mackey will contact the County and explain the land use applications are for new build and in appropriate land use area (where it goes).
- Clerk Pindral stated Heather has had inquires about whether the Township will participate in the Veteran Banner Program. She and Heather would be willing to work on the Program. Heather will contact Joe at the VA for more information.

With no other business brought before the Board, a MOTION at 7:15PM by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister. Roll call, all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:



Debbie Pindral
Township Clerk

ADAMS TOWNSHIP
Wholesale Water Board
August 1, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Wholesale Water Board was held on Monday, August 1, 2022 at the Township Hall, 17104 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15PM. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Treasurer Immonen via Zoom, Trustee Eister, Trustee Keranen., and Clerk Pindral, Heather Platzke, Kevin Mackey, and Water Dept Supervisor Don Cline.

- Don Cline reported there has been a few water leaks detected. A 6" leak in Trimountain, main line 9 feet down had a major leak. Tank Hill had a leak from an abandoned line.
- He met with DNR/EGLE regarding the water tank job and culvert repair/easement with the takeaway that the Township should participate with the DNR, there are no monies available. EGLE is concerned regarding the 9000 people getting their water supply and making everyone aware of the seriousness of the situation. Best case scenario is to get the washout fixed before winter.
- Stated Northern Hardwoods has reported more issues with their water tank repair, and may possibly enter discussions with the Township.
- The Fab Cat Roller is no longer available. Looking for substitute. MOTION made ty Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to give Don Cline permission to place order up to \$15,000. Roll call, four ayes, no nay votes. Motion carried.

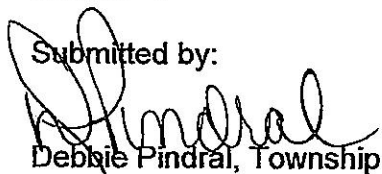
MOTION by Supervisor Heikkinen to enter executive session at 7:40PM to discuss personnel issues. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION by Trustee Keranen with support from Clerk Pindral to leave executive session at 8:08PM and return to Wholesale Water Meeting. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Heikkinen stated the Board discussed revisions to Employee Handbook to be done by October 1, 2022.

With no other business or comments before the board, a MOTION by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to adjourn the Wholesale Water meeting at 8:09P.M. Roll call, all ayes, Motion approved.

Submitted by:


Debbie Pindral, Township Clerk