

Adams Township Planning Commission Public Hearing

ATPC Public Hearing called to order on May 1, 2023 at 5:45 PM

Pledge of Allegiance done:

Roll Call:

Chairperson: Martha Dugdale Present

Secretary: Terry Parolini Present

Member: Dan Koponen Present

Member: Paul Eister Present

Member: Sherri Kinnunen Present

Township Attorney: Kevin Mackey Present

Township Board: Supervisor; Gerry Heikkinen, Clerk; Debbie Pindral, Treasure; Tracy Immonen, Trustee; Paul Eister (also member of ATP

ATPC Chair; Martha Dugdale announced that the purpose of the Public Hearing is to take public comment on the Adams Township drafted Recreational Plan.

ATPC Chair called for public input, and resident Janet Kokko said the plan was excellent. No other public response.

Adams Township Supervisor Gerry Heikkinen asked if “we” (the board) approves today what the next step is. Martha said that when it’s approved it is then sent electronically to the DNR. Should the plan be accepted, grants can be applied for.

Gerry asked if the ATPC went to the Community Baltic Ice Rink. Martha stated yes, that she, Terry Parolini, Ed Parolini (a retired Superintendent for Mattila Contracting) went with “Rink Manager” Casey Moore. Gerry said the priority is the roof due to leaking. Gerry said Moyle Contracting was looking to donate \$5000. Gerry said that Cemetery maintenance man Wisniewski can come to the Rink and make a list of needed repairs. Gerry brought up the Basketball courts next to the rink. It was suggested by Debbie Pindral that we refer to the Rink and Courts as a Sports Complex.

Martha said that the ATPC priority is recreational at this time. We are looking at putting playgrounds in Trimountain and Painesdale along with Baltic. At this time only Atlantic Mine has a children's playground. Martha said her neighbor in

Toivola has been involved in setting up Disc Golf and with the 2 parcels of land that Adams recently acquired (12 acres donated by Jay and Dorthey Ruohonen and the 13+ acres purchased for a new water tank from the Village of South Range) there is room for Disc Golf and possible improvement and expansion of the current Disc Golf behind Jeffers High School.

ATPC Paul Eister made a motion to send the plan to the Adams Township Board for adoption. It was supported by ATPC Terry Parolini. All Ayes: 0 Nays.

At 6:00 PM the Public Meeting was closed. ATPC member Paul Eister made a motion to adjourn, Seconded by Terry Parolini. All Ayes, 0 Nays. Meeting Adjourned.