

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM at the Adamstown Borough Wastewater Treatment Plant, 235 E. Swartzville Road, Denver by Council President Randy Good.

Council Present: R. Good, D. Matz, M. Bansner, A. McManimen, d. Alumbaugh, J. Johnson-Null, R. Weaver

Visitors present: Sgt. D. Albaugh, Derek Miller, State Representative David Zimmerman, Joe Dietrich, Mike Marty, Jason Leshar, Gabriel Leshar, Lisa Lynam, Paul Marx, Heather Marx, Amy Good, Melissa Weaver, Helen Shaak, Mark Wojciccki, Sandi Wojcicki, Jim Bretz, Michele Walter Fry

Others present: Mayor John Schmidt, Mike Palm, Sam Toffy

MINUTES: Minutes from the July 11, 2023 meeting were approved with a motion from D. Matz, seconded by d. Alumbaugh and unanimously carried.

BILL LIST: Motioned by M. Bansner, seconded by D. Matz and unanimously carried to approve all bills and receipts presented.

POLICE REPORT:

The July Police Report was read by Sgt. D. Albaugh.

FIRE REPORT:

The July Fire Report was read by Chief Miller.

VISITOR'S BUSINESS:

State Representative David Zimmerman - Rep. Zimmerman introduced himself to those Council and audience members who he has not already met. He explained what his District currently covers as well as how a District area is determined then gave an update on what is happening in Harrisburg and the status of the budget. His new office is in the former Adamstown Borough building along Rt. 272. He encouraged everyone to feel free to reach out to his office, should they need anything.

Joe Dietrich, Community Days - A Financial Statement from Community Days was presented to Council. J. Dietrich said that this was the first year they came out in a plus. \$42,797 was spent this year and \$43,473 was brought in for a net proceed of \$676. He thanked Council for their ongoing support as well as the Rec Committee for donating proceeds from a recent night swim.

Gabriel Leshar, Eagle Scout Troop 4318 - Gabriel addressed Council regarding working on the Lions Club gazebo as a Scout project. He would like to replace the roof as well as any rotten boards. If budget permits, he would like to use the trex-type boards for longevity. M. Palm said that he, A. McManimen, Mike Marty and Gabe will be meeting Thursday morning to discuss further. M. Marty asked if Council would approve allowing Gabe to move forward creating a proposal to bring to the September meeting.

Motioned by d. Alumbaugh, seconded by R. Weaver and unanimously carried to approve allowing Gabe to prepare a proposal with a budget for consideration at the September meeting.

Lisa Lynam, 328 Jefferson Road Water/Sewer Bill - Lisa's mother who resided at 328 Jefferson Road and recently passed away, received a shutoff notice. Lisa is in the process of setting up an Estate and asked Council if she could have more time to pay the bill so the water does not get shut off. Council agreed that it takes a couple months to go through the process.

Motioned by D. Matz, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to give her until October 1, 2023 to pay the delinquent water/sewer bill to avoid having the water shut off.

SPECIAL TOPICS: None.

PUBLIC WORKS:

2023-2024 PennDOT Municipal Winter Maintenance Agreement - The 2023-2024 contract in the amount of \$319.06 for winter maintenance of Willow Street from W. Main Street to Rt. 272 was presented.

Motioned by d. Alumbaugh, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to approve the 2023-2024 PennDOT Municipal Winter Maintenance Agreement in the amount of \$319.06.

TREASURER: None.

FINANCE: None.

WATER/SEWER/MS4: None.

COMMUNITY:

d. Alumbaugh said that he and R. Weaver began reviewing the properties in the borough to look for any violations that should be addressed. There was a small list submitted regarding sidewalks needing repairs as well as high grass/weeds, which have been forwarded to the Code Enforcement Officer to address.

ADAMSTOWN 2026 :

Trail from Stoudtburg Road to the Tennis Courts - d. Alumbaugh said that the trail resurfacing should be completed in August. Work will continue along the trail with both existing and future grants.

Ambulance Donations - With the help of our journalist Michele Walter Fry, d. Alumbaugh said he was able to get a nice article in the Ephrata Review regarding the recent donation made to the Reinholds, Reamstown and Fivepointville Ambulance companies. A photo was also included with Council member J. Johnson-Null presenting the checks to the ambulance personnel. The hope is that by publishing this article, it will increase donations from outside sources.

ROADS AND BRIDGES: None.

PERSONNEL:

Nathan Welker - A. McManimen said that Public Works employee N. Welker has been on schedule obtaining his WWTP and WW collection licenses, and recently participated in the PRWA Water Operator Certification Training Program.

Motioned by A. McManimen, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to approve a pay increase of \$5/hour for completing his WWTP license and WW collection license as outlined in his employee acceptance letter dated April 8, 2021. The pay increase will be effective July 10, 2023.

Motioned by d. Alumbaugh, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to approve payment of \$115 invoice to participate in the PRWA Water Operator Certification Training Program.

RECREATION:

R. Weaver said that the last member appreciation event is coming up August 12th. The theme is Bingo Night with pizza.

FIRE/SAFETY: None.

BUILDING:

A. McManimen said he has the preliminary cost estimates for the proposed borough building which will be used to continue with the grant work. R. Good said those estimates will be changing slightly.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Resolution #2023-04 - This Resolution was created for the Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant in the amount of \$605,811.38.

Motioned by D. Matz, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to approve Resolution #2023-04 in the amount of \$605,811.38.

Parking Lot Drawings - Preliminary drawings for the proposed parking lot changes for the Elementary School are available for review. The new plan will provide additional parking by using an area of the grove, which will improve traffic flow when picking up children from school.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council went into executive session at 7:45PM to discuss personnel and litigation.

The regular meeting resumed at 7:55PM.

Adjournment:

Motioned by D. Matz, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to adjourn. The meeting ended at 8:26PM.

Attested: _____
Sam Toffy, Adamstown Borough Administrative Secretary