Adamstown Borough Council **April 2, 2024**

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: Randy Good, Dave Matz, deLyn Alumbaugh, James Johnson-Null, Paul Marx, Mark Bansner

Visitors present: Chief Chris McKim, Zach Hoffman, Victoria Motter, Ivan Ugrenyuk, Veronika Krupenya, Cheryl Davis, Steve Davis, Heather Marx, Helen Shaak, Michele Walter Fry

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

MINUTES: Minutes from the March 5, 2024 meetings were approved with a motion from D. Matz, seconded by d. Alumbaugh and unanimously carried.

BILL LIST: Motioned by d. Alumbaugh, seconded by P. Marx and unanimously carried to approve all bills and receipts presented.

POLICE REPORT:

The March Police Report was read by Chief McKim.

FIRE REPORT:

The March Fire Report was included in the packets.

VISITORS BUSINESS: None.

SPECIAL TOPICS: None.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Johnston Construction Co., Payment Application #2 - The release of $119,360.20 was requested for mechanical work satisfactorily completed on the raw sewage pump replacement project.

Motioned by D. Matz, seconded by d. Alumbaugh and unanimously carried to approve Payment Application #2 in the amount of $119,360.20.

Central PA Sweepers - M. Palm said he received the lowest quote from Central PA Sweepers for 2024 spring streetsweeping at a cost of $350 for the first day, first hour and $160 for every hour after that. Street sweeping will take place on April 30 & May 1.

Motioned by d. Alumbaugh, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to approve hiring Central PA Sweepers at a cost of $350 for the first day, first hour and $160 for every hour after that.

ADAMSTOWN 2026:

d. Alumbaugh said next week we are opening the bidding process for the first grant we received.

BUILDING: None.

COMMUNITY: None.

FINANCE:

Pool Account & EIN Number – Because the pool was formerly run by the Recreation Board, pool bank account has a different EIN number than the other borough bank accounts and we would like all accounts to be under the borough's EIN number.

Motioned by J. Johnson-Null, seconded by d. Alumbaugh and unanimously carried to close the current pool bank account and open a new bank account for the pool under the borough's EIN number.

Stella Hatt Account – J. Scherer researched and found that PLIGT is offering much higher interest rates than Fulton Bank (5.44%), so Council is looking to close the Stella Hatt account at Fulton Bank and transfer that money to PLIGT.

Motioned by D. Matz, seconded by P. Marx and unanimously carried to close the Stella Hatt account at Fulton Bank and transfer the money to a PLIGT account.

FIRE/SAFETY:

Traffic Speed Update Near School – J. Schmidt said the police have been very active around the school, placing radar signs and being seen. Sgt. Albaugh is meeting with School District officials to discuss the feasibility of installing flashing light school zone signs in that area.

Handrail Along Community Trail – J. Schmidt said this item should have been reviewed by the Community Committee then come to Council. d. Alumbaugh said he is familiar with the issue, and it will be further addressed by the Community Committee.

IT: None.

PERSONNEL:

Pool Employee Workers Compensation Insurance – M. Bansner is looking for a motion to approve workers compensation insurance for pool employees at a cost of $4,605.

Motioned by M. Bansner, seconded by d. Alumbaugh and unanimously carried to approve workers compensation insurance for pool employees at a cost of $4,605.

New Public Works Employee – Interviews took place, and a candidate was chosen to fill the Public Works position at a starting rate of $18/hour.

Motioned by M. Bansner, seconded by d. Alumbaugh and unanimously carried to approve hiring providing an offer letter of employment to the candidate at a starting rate of $18/hour.

Treasurer's Hourly Rate – Due to the many added responsibilities the new Treasurer has taken on, a recommendation was made to increase her hourly rate to $24/hour.

Motioned by M. Bansner, seconded by d. Alumbaugh and unanimously carried to approve increasing the Treasurer's hourly rate to $24/hour.

RECREATION:

J. Johnson-Null said the Rec Committee met and everything is coming together for the upcoming pool season.

ROADS AND BRIDGES: None.

WATER/SEWER/MS4:

182 E. Main Street Payment Plan Request – The property owner of this rental recently had a leaking toilet which resulted in two quarters of extremely high usage. They are requesting a payment plan to satisfy the outstanding balance of $5,270.71. D. Matz recommends allowing them 18 months at $290/month while remaining current with their regular quarterly bills. Late fees and interest fees shall be waived provided they keep up with their payment plan.

Motioned by D. Matz, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to approve a payment plan as outlined above.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

10 S. Broad Street – The SWM Agreement and Declaration of Easement, Agreement and Escrow Agreement were presented for the proposed new construction home at this property.

Motioned by d. Alumbaugh, seconded by J. Johnson-Null and unanimously carried to approve execution of the documents as presented.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

Adjournment:

Motioned by D. Matz, seconded by d. Alumbaugh and unanimously carried to adjourn.
The meeting ended at 7:24PMPM.

Attested: _____
Sam Toffy, Adamstown Borough Administrative Secretary