The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 80 E. Main Street, Adamstown by Council President Randy Good.

Council Present: Randy Good, Dave Matz, Cindy Schweitzer, Mark Bansner, David Gundrum, Joe Dietrich, Jessica Kelly.

Visitors Present: George Beever, David Buckwalter, Val Lacis, Jonathan Zaun, Mark Schweitzer, Rob Stokes, Alex McManimen, Joanne Kurtz, Austin Schaeffer, Helen Shaak, Sandy Flory, Chris Flory, Donna Zaun, Donna Wetherhold, Mike Wetherhold, Carol Johnson, Sue Weinhold, Bob Stork, Marty Hikes, Mrs. Marty Hikes, David Dunkelberger, Jim Bretz, Jeff Bretz, Bryan Schweitzer, Mike Elmer, Jason South, Kristine Butz, Sharon Wieder, Thomas Wieder, Sandy Roth, Ken McCrea, Michele Walter Fry, John Weaver

Others Present: Josele Cleary, Mark Zettlemoyer, Dean Johnson, Mike Palm, Lisa Crouse, Sam Toffy

MINUTES: Minutes from the April 7, 2015 meeting were approved with a motion from D. Matz, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried.

BILL LIST: Motioned by M. Bansner, seconded by J. Dietrich and unanimously carried to approve the bills and receipts presented.

POLICE and/or FIRE REPORT:

The April Police Report was read by Chief Beever.
The April Fire Report was included in the packets.

VISITORS BUSINESS:

SPECIAL TOPICS:

Police Services - The floor was open to public discussion regarding police services. Adamstown residents Marty Hikes and Jim Bretz addressed Council regarding the desire to have a noise ordinance in place due to the constant loud noise of 4 wheelers being driven near their property. R. Good stated that Council would look into this.

Seeing no further comments or question, C. Schweitzer explained that at the last regional police advisory meeting that she and Ralph Vedder attended, ECT and Denver representatives requested that Adamstown Borough provide them with a yes or no response to the question of whether Adamstown is interested in continuing to move forward with a regional police department. It was clarified at that time by ECT and Denver that liabilities would be divided among the remaining three participants. C. Schweitzer's position, given the above directive and subsequent comments by ECT and Denver representatives, is that she supports the regional police advisory efforts and was actively engaged, she cannot support moving forward based on three participants. It would be unfair to the tax payers to be asked to assume additional liabilities due to only being three municipalities as opposed to four.

Motioned by C. Schweitzer, seconded by D. Matz and carried by a vote of 6-1-0 that Adamstown Borough notify ECT and Denver Borough that Adamstown Borough is withdrawing from the regional police process due to the proposed cost sharing percentages of the liabilities. (J. Kelly – Y, C. Schweitzer – Y, R. Good – Y, D. Matz – Y, M. Bansner – Y, J. Dietrich – N, D. Gundrum – Y)

PUBLIC WORKS:

Benches at Pool – Due to their poor condition, four benches at the community pool need to be replaced. M. Palm provided a quote in the amount of $1,407.00 for four vinyl benches from Bowman's Stove and Patio, Inc., which is where other benches were recently purchased for the pool and tennis courts.

Motioned by J. Dietrich, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to approve the purchase of 4 vinyl benches from Bowman's Stove and Patio, Inc. in the amount of $1,407.00, to be paid for from the Rec Board account.

Pool Pump House Electrical Panel – The electrical panel and breakers in the pump house at the pool are showing signs of corrosion. M. Palm received quotes to replace the panel and breakers, and to enclose the new panel in a fiberglass enclosure in the amount of $2,975.00. He would like to get several more quotes but is recommending that Council approve moving forward.

Motioned by J. Dietrich, seconded by D. Gundrum and unanimously carried to approve replacing the electrical panel and breakers and to enclose the new panel in a fiberglass enclosure in the pump house at the pool at a cost not to exceed $2,975.00. Several other quotes are to be obtained prior to making a purchase and all costs will be paid for from the Rec Board account.

Oil & Chip Bid with WCT – M. Palm was contacted by West Cocalico Township regarding participating in a co-operative bidding and purchasing agreement for chip seal coating and line painting to get a lower cost. Adamstown Borough's portion of the low bid would be $7,173.95 which would include Church Street and the upper portion of Vine Alley. $12K has been budgeted for the project.

Motioned by M. Bansner, seconded by D. Gundrum and unanimously carried to approve Adamstown Borough's portion of the chip seal coating and line painting in the amount of $7,173.95 for Church Street and the upper portion of Vine Alley.

D. Gundrum inquired about the leak in the pool. M. Palm said the pool was drained last evening and the Fire Company assisted in washing the pool down. The valve was removed and there is an approximate 1/2" deflection in the pipe so a part had to be ordered to help offset the deflection, which will have to be installed prior to refilling. There is a small area of plaster at the bottom of the ramp which Pool Plasterers will repair free of charge prior to the pool being filled.

The roadway at the intersection of W. Main and Willow Streets will be repaired shortly. A PA OneCall has been placed and the area has been saw cut. The area has been temporarily cold patched until it can be repaired more permanently.

FINANCE:

The Treasurer's Report was included in the packets.

WATER & SEWER:

1990 thru 1996 Bowmansville Road – The property owner has automatic bill pay for her water/sewer billing. Her 3rd quarter 2014 payment was never received by MuniBilling, resulting in interest and late fees in the amount of $67.95. She is requesting a waiver of those interest and late fees.

Motioned by D. Matz, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to approve the waiver request for interest and late fees in the amount of $67.95.

Sewerline Replacement – R. Good stated that he and representatives of Hanover Engineering met with representatives of U.S. Fish & Wildlife to discuss plans for the replacement of the trunk line from the Mad Hatter to the wastewater treatment plant. Several options for placement of the new trunk line were discussed and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife reps will review all options available.

COMMUNITY:

Sidewalk Ordinance – A draft sidewalk ordinance was prepared by the solicitor and included in the packets for Council's review. The solicitor recommended that we review our current construction standards prior to adopting a revised sidewalk ordinance to ensure they are up to date. J. Dietrich is recommending contacting Hanover Engineering to review our current construction standards on sidewalks and have them report back for the next meeting.

ROADS AND BRIDGES: None.

PERSONNEL: None.

RECREATION:

Pool Renovations – J. Kelly said the Rec Committee met last month to review the next phase of improvements to the community pool which will be bid in July. Plans will include either a new baby pool or renovation of the existing baby pool, replacing asphalt with grass, new lighting and a storage shed. Construction is expected to begin in September.

Celebration Park – J. Kelly is seeking approval to move ahead with applying for a grant to gain funds to build a natural playground. Hanover Engineering is looking into a DCED grant to see if it may be a good fit. If so the cost to prepare the grant would be $2,000, some of which could be offset by using the $1,000 donation received by Mohn's Church in March. J. Kelly explained that she would like to seek a grant for at least $100K and it would require a 15% match. The 15% match has already been budget for.

Motioned by J. Dietrich, seconded by C. Schweitzer and unanimously carried to allow J. Kelly to move ahead with applying for a grant to gain funds to build a natural playground.

POLICE BOARD: Included in Special Topics.

FIRE/SAFETY:

D. Johnson stated that the Fire/Safety Committee has reached out to Spring Township and Brecknock Township, Berks County recently. Other options will be looked into as well before a final decision is made for future police protection.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Adamstown Pool Improvements Payment #4 – We received a recommendation for payment of Application #4 to Balton Construction, Inc. from Hanover Engineering for improvements completed in the amount of $151,948.86.

Motioned by C. Schweitzer, seconded by D. Matz and unanimously carried to approve payment to Balton Construction, Inc. for Application #4 in the amount of $151,948.86.

Community Pool Change Orders – C.O. #7 (a time extension to 5/22/2015) and C.O. #8 (additional demolition and restoration of the concrete floor at a cost of $3,295.35) were presented to Council.

Motioned by D. Matz, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to approve C.O. #7 for a time extension to run to 5/22/2015.

Motioned by D. Matz, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to approve C.O. #8 in the amount of $3,295.35 for additional demolition and restoration of the concrete floor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lot at Intersection of E. Main St. & Bowmansville Road – There has been a request made by a local businessman to consider turning the 2-acre lot at the intersection of E. Main Street and Bowmansville Road into a park. R. Good turned this over to the Recreation Committee to discuss and report back to Council.

Dead Tree by Office – R. Good stated that there is a dead tree in front of the Borough office and one in the grove by the pavilion. He recommended and Council agreed that they be replaced at a cost not to exceed $250 per tree.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council went into executive session to discuss an unemployment compensation claim for an employee who resigned.

The regular meeting resumed at 8:10PM.

Motioned by D. Gundrum, seconded by J. Dietrich and carried by a roll call vote of 6-1-0 in favor of dropping the unemployment claim appeal against Roger Spitler (J. Kelly – Y, C. Schweitzer – N, R. Good – Y, D. Matz – Y, M. Bansner – Y, J. Dietrich – Y, D. Gundrum – Y).

Adjournment:

Motioned by J. Dietrich, seconded by M. Bansner and unanimously carried to adjourn.

The meeting ended at 8:15PM.

Attested: _____
Sam Toffy, Adamstown Borough Administrative Secretary