

ADAMS COUNTY BOROUGH ASSOCIATION
Pike Restaurant ▪ Gettysburg, PA 17325
ACBA MEETING ▪ MARCH 20, 2017

ATTENDANCE

BOROUGH REPRESENTATION PRESENT (23):

Abbottstown: April Trivitt

Biglerville: Melinda Elnaggar

Carroll Valley: Ron Harris

East Berlin: Robbie Teal; Jason Wood

Fairfield: Caroline Stanley; Robert Stanley;

Littlestown: Betty Bucher; Charlene Westcott; Sandy
Conrad, Jim Eline

New Oxford: Patrick Sullivan

McSherrystown: David Bolton; Joe VonSas

York Springs: Bob Megonnell; Alex Hartzell

TOWNSHIPS PRESENT (1):

Hamiltonban: Bob Gordon

Germany: Jack Ketterman

Liberty: Bob Jackson

GUEST PRESENT (5):

Ben Etherton, CEP – APPI Energy

Leslie Suhr – Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs

Bill Chantelau – Land Conservancy

Judy Chambers – Penn State Extension

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CALL TO ORDER

The Adams County Boroughs Association met in session and the meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Ron Harris and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROUND TABLE

Introductions were made by all in attendance.

MINUTES

A motion was made Bob Stanley and seconded by Melinda Elnagger to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2017 meeting as written. Motion adopted.

FINANCIAL REPORT

TREASURER:
CHARLENE WESTCOTT

Treasurer, Charlene Westcott reported the following:

Balance as of December 31, 2016	\$3,073.82
Receipts for 26 meals @ \$10	\$ 260.00
Dues paid	\$ 0.00
Balance	\$3,333.82
Expenses for 26 meals @ \$10	\$ 260.00
Office Expenses	\$ 33.00
Balance as of February 28, 2017	\$3,033.82

A motion was made by David Bolton and seconded by Bob Stanley to accept the Treasurers Report as read by Charlene Westcott. Motion adopted.

ACBA BUSINESS

NEWSLETTER REVIEW

RADAR BILL

The radar bill for municipal police will be reintroduced in both chambers. Senator Randy Vulkovich's and Representative Harry Readshaw have both circulated co-sponsorship memoranda to introduce the same radar bill that passed the senate last year. Senator Vulkovich's bill (Senate Bill 535) has 18 co-sponsors and Representative Readshaw's bill (House Bill 43) has 19 co-sponsors.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION DAY AT HACC

Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC) plans to capitalize on the science of marmots and neuroscience with their Spring Community Education Day on April 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. HACC English professor Cristal Renzo will provide novice genealogists with tips on getting started locating and reading census records and other public documents; evaluating the accuracy of genealogy information; and organizing large amounts of information.

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There will be a lot of information to learn. HACC's Gettysburg Campus Community Education Day will offer 15 informative, educational sessions. A continental breakfast and lunch is also included in the \$49 registration fee. For a complete listing of class sessions and to register, please go to www.hacc.edu/gettysburgcommunity or call (717) 337-3855, ext. 119903.

PENNSYLVANIA LITTERING AND ILLEGAL DUMPING

Illegal dumping is everywhere and it is happening in our own backyards. While Harrisburg government representatives are addressing this issue at the state level, local officials should be proactive and remind our residents of its illegality and provide information on where to turn in unwanted electronic items. There is one location that currently takes electronic items and that is Washington Township has a Refuse Transfer Station. Electronic devices are accepted on Tuesday and Wednesdays from 8am to 4pm. The rate is \$.45 per pound with a \$25.00 minimum per trip. The amount of electronics per trip are not limited.

MS4 STORMWATER LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

In Pennsylvania, responsibility for administering the federal Clean Water Act and state stormwater regulations resides with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Stormwater is managed through various regulatory programs through DEP. The programs include the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4 Program). There is a bill that would allow boroughs to assess a fee for planning, installing, and maintaining infrastructure that addresses MS4 requirements. This bill is in the discussion stage. Right now only Authorities can assess stormwater fees. If a municipality is non-compliant with the federal mandates, any fine levied would have a negative financial impact on the community. If there is no clear statutory authority in the Borough Code enabling the imposition of a fee to remedy MS4s, it becomes an unfunded mandate.

SUNSHINE ACT

HB 37 is being opposed by the Pennsylvania State Associations of Boroughs (PSAB). This bill would regulate executive sessions and place another unfunded mandate on both local governments and their taxpayers. When the bill was reintroduced in the last session it died. With this said SB 411 which would remove various unintended

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consequences resulting from the original law is being supported by PSAB. These changes would allow for a 10-day response time; charge for commercial requests; clarifying that bank numbers and passwords are private; adding campus police to the definition of municipal police; and changing eligibility of a requires from a U.S. citizen to PA resident.

POWERTALK 21

PowerTalk21, an initiative of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, is the national day for parents to begin intentional, ongoing and possible lifesaving conversations about alcohol with their kids. PowerTalk21 is celebrating a significant milestone this year-the fifth anniversary of the Power of Patents program. Throughout five years they have been stressing the importance of having parent-child conversations regarding alcohol, sharing parenting strategies to help prevent underage drinking and identifying dangerous teen drinking myths.

Get involved and help spread the importance of PowerTalk21 by learning more about it through typing in *PowerTalk21* in your internet browser.

RECESS

A 40-minute recess was taken for dinner.

GUEST SPEAKER(S)

BEN ETHERTON, APPI ENERGY

Ben Etherton works for APPI Energy which is a company that selects the best energy supplier price and contract. APPI Energy delivers data-drive procurement and consulting solutions. APPI monitors electricity and natural gas markets across the U.S. every day.

APPI Energy was founded in 1996 and has been endorsed by PSAB. The program through PSAB is called the "Energy Procurement Program" and is designed to recommend to PSAB members when to by energy, and which contract length is best. These recommendations are based on extensive data analytics and more than 20 years of transaction experience.

APPI Energy has 2,345 clients including 123 PSAB members; 519 customer service cases resolved in 2016; 155 affinity endorsements; 41 vetted suppliers; 37 employees; 16.3 million Dth and 9.3 bill KWh. APPI

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Energy is committed to finding the best solution to their customers energy needs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Then next Adams County Boroughs Association meeting will be held on May 15, 2017.

Submitted by:

Sandy Conrad

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ACBA Secretary