

ADAMS County Council of Governments

Meeting Minutes
August 27, 2009, 8:30 a.m.

GASD Administration Building, 900 Biglerville Rd, Gettysburg
President Barbara Underwood, Presiding

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Meeting was brought to order at 8.30 am by President Barbara Underwood

ROLL CALL

Present:

Adams County
Abbottstown Borough
Arendtsville Borough
Biglerville Borough
Butler Township
Carroll Valley Borough
Cumberland Township
Franklin Township
Freedom Township
Germany Township
Gettysburg Borough
Hamilton Township
Hamiltonban Township
Highland Township
Huntington Township
Littlestown Borough
Mt. Joy Township
Mt. Pleasant Township
Oxford Township
Straban Township
Tyrone Township
Bermudian Springs School District
Fairfield Area School District
Gettysburg Area School District

Absent:

East Berlin Borough
New Oxford Borough
Conewago Valley School District
Littlestown Area School District
Upper Adams School District

OFFICIAL CREATION OF THE ADAMS COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

- By-laws for the Adams County Council of Governments were approved by Roll Call Vote. All members in attendance voted affirmative, passing unanimously.
- Motion was made by Steph Egger, Hamilton Township, to amend the by-laws as adopted (copy attached to this document), second by David Wheeler, Littlestown Borough. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion was made by Bill Chantelau, Mt Joy Township, to ratify the slate of officers, including: Barbara Underwood, Cumberland Township, President; David Wheeler, Littlestown Borough, Vice President; Lori Duncan, Conewago Valley School District, Treasurer; and David Hazlett, Carroll Valley Borough, Secretary. Second by Paul Kellet, Freedom Township. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Ferd Prehn, Arendtsville Borough, to set the member rate for 2009 of \$50, which will be invoiced on August 28, 2009. Second by Sandi Vasquez, Biglerville Borough. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Bob Gordon, Hamiltonban Township to approve the insurance fees for General Liability Insurance, Director's and Officer's Liability Insurance, and the Treasurer's Bond, totaling \$1,035 with Conewago Valley School District donating the Treasurer's Bond. Second by Bill Chantelau, Mt. Joy Township. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Paul Kellet, Freedom Township, to create a Nominating Committee responsible for suggesting replacements for vacancies within the Organization, with the membership to include: Bill Chantelau, Mt. Joy Township; David Wheeler, Littlestown Borough; and Howie Kessel, Fairfield Area School District. Second by Gus Fridenvalds, Huntington Township. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Bill McMaster, Oxford Township, to create a by-laws committee responsible for creating and updating the by-laws of the organization, with membership to include Steph Egger, Hamilton Township; David Wheeler, Littlestown Borough; Brad Hunt, Gettysburg Area School District; Bill McMaster, Oxford Township; and Sandy Spence, Franklin Township. Second by Sandy Spence, Franklin Township. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion made by George Weikert, Adams County, to create a Finance Committee responsible for budgeting and finance matters, with membership to include: Bob Gordon, Hamiltonban Township; Sharon Hamm, Straban Township; Sandi Vasquez, Biglerville Borough; Sandy Spence, Franklin Township; and Tom Ramsey

PRIOR MEETING NOTES

- Motion by Ferd Prehn, Arendtsville Borough, Second by Joe Brennan, Highland Township, to approve the prior meeting notes without revision. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Chief Don Boehs, Cumberland Township, spoke of his interest to look into cooperative purchasing projects for items such as tires, cars, equipment.

ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

- Health care benefits –Nothing to report this month
- Surplus Auctions- Dave Hazlett, Carroll Valley Borough, reported that he continues to research all avenues for holding an auction and will report back in the coming months.
- Equipment Consortium – Dave Hazlett, Carroll Valley Borough, presented an idea where each member would be polled for equipment they have, what may be available for other members to use, and what the stipulations for such use would be, such as rental, borrow, sell, etc... By consensus everyone agreed that the organization should follow through with the project to the next step.
- Website – Russ Raub, Tyrone Township, offered a handout (attached) summarizing his ad-hoc committee's findings. After some discussion regarding the best route to take for the organization, it was agreed by consensus that a web-site was necessary. Motion made by Paul Kellet, Freedom Township, to approach Adams County and request their administrative assistance in developing and maintaining this web-site. Second by David Hazlett, Carroll Valley Borough. Motion passed unanimously. Motion made by Brad Hunt, Gettysburg Area School District, to authorize the expenditure of up to \$25 to reserve a web domain name, and to have this task completed quickly. Second by Gus Fridenvalds, Huntington Township. Motion passed unanimously. David Hazlett, Carroll Valley Borough, ACCOG Secretary agreed to reserve a domain and have the organization reimburse.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Gus Fridenvalds, Huntington Township to adjourn the meeting. Second by Ted Streeter, Gettysburg Borough. Motion passed unanimously at 9.48 am, with an announcement that the Next meeting is Thursday, September 24, 2009, at 8.30am in the GASD Administration Building.