

Adams County Council of Governments
April 27, 2023
Meeting Minutes

1. President Scholle called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
2. Pledge
3. Roll Call:
Present: Arendtsville, Bendersville, Biglerville, Bonneauville, Fairfield, Gettysburg, Littlestown, Butler, Conewago, Cumberland, Germany, Hamiltonban, Mt. Joy, Straban, Tyrone, Bermudian Springs, Conewago Valley, Littlestown Area, Upper Adams & County of Adam
4. Minutes: A motion was made by Mauser and seconded by Westcott to approve the March minutes. Motion carried
5. Treasurers Report: A motion was made by Gordon and seconded by Miller to approve the Treasurers report as presented. Motion carried
6. Speaker: Ron Brown, employed by Air Methods Short Presentation and tour of Helicopter
7. New Business: George Mauser asked about the tankers that are seen on the railroad.
8. Regular Business
 - a. ACC: Commissioner Phiel commented the County has approved the resident for the Mercy House. There will be glass recycling at the Emergency Services Building more info to come. He also mentioned the Voter Registration Office will be moving to the Emergency Services Building. Commissioner Martin mentioned the prison received 100% compliance on the State Inspection. The County will be holding an auction to sell stored office equipment. Date to be announced. He also mentioned that PLGIT is providing great interest rates and suggested having them speak to us.
 - b. Legislative Reps:
Chris Kimple (Rep. Moul). No vote for HB 300 (Diversity Bill) Bills are starting to move in the house.
Rep. Ecker addressed the group. Last several weeks they have been working on the Budget. Need to address some long-term structural deficits. He mentioned the OSHA Bill. HB 959. Discussion on Radar.
Nancy (Cong. Joyce): met with the PA Rural Electric Association.
 - c. ACOPOD: Grant Applications opening up for Bike trails, walking trails and such. (Recreation and Green Space) The office will send information out. Mentioned the Conservation District and possible speaker.
 - d. Township Association: Bob Gordon mentioned it has been a difficult year getting organized this year. John _____ Union is president. Secretary's luncheon is being planned.
 - e. Borough Association: David Laughman mentioned the next meeting is the third Monday of May.
 - f. PSP: No Report
 - g. Destination Gettysburg: Karl mentioned the first quarter report hotel occupancy in Adams County and is up 9.2% through March. New venues have opened up: AC Historical Society and Museum and SavorHood. 2nd week of May is National Travel and Tourism week.
 - h. ACTCC: Terry Scholle mentioned the combined meetings: Collection rate has declined Adams County Bond has been increased from 1 million to 2 York Adams went from 2 – 4 million.
 - i. School Districts:
Justin Peart (Bermudian) mentioned the new middle school ribbon cutting will be May 9 at 6 p.m. May 27 is graduation.

Upper Adams: Canner funds and grants totally 20000.00 funded the new greenhouse. June first is June 1. First day of school will be by August 23.

Matt Muller, (Conewago Valley) working on the Feasibility Study and having many meetings. It appears that options 2 and 3 have been pulled, basically new buildings. Option 1 which would be to remodel and minor additions. They are looking at law enforcement presence in the school district. And will have age specific cyber safety speakers.

Littlestown Schools: Bids are out to consolidate secondary schools. Adams County Tech is looking at purchasing 10 acres. Ag department received a 25000.00 grant for a new tractor.

- j. AEA: David Laughman mentioned they hosted Bob Casey and 200 million-dollar grant for Rural Broadband
9. Committee Reports:
- a. AC Collaboration: Bob Gordon mentioned they meet monthly. Working on a survey.
 - b. Legislative Committee: David Laughman mentioned the committee is looking at different options for holding a legislative forum. More info to come.
 - c. Emergency Services: No report
 - d. PA COG: No Report
 - e. Brand Band Task Force: George Mauser mentioned that Design 9 is compiling reports from the surveys.
10. Public Comment: None
11. Announcements: Stacey Rice @ home had a transportation forum. The meeting is on the website.
12. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:00.

Respectfully submitted,

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Butler Township