

ADAMS COUNTY BOROUGHS ASSOCIATION

Pike Restaurant ▪ Gettysburg, PA 17325

ACBA MEETING ▪ NOVEMBER 20, 2017

ATTENDANCE

BOROUGH REPRESENTATION PRESENT:

Abbottstown: April Trivitt

Biglerville: Melinda Elnaggar

Carroll Valley: Ron Harris

East Berlin: Robbie Teal

Fairfield: Bob Stanley; Caroline Stanley

Littlestown: Betty Bucher; Charlene Westcott; Terry Moser; Jim Long; David Westcott; Sandy Conrad; Jim Eline

McSherrystown: David Bolton; Michael Calderone; Scott Cook

TOWNSHIPS PRESENT:

Liberty: Bob Jackson

Hamiltonban Township: Bob Gordon

GUEST PRESENT:

Lisa Angstadt – Adams County Planning

Harlan Lawson - Adams County Planning

Leslie Suhr – Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs

Bill Chantelau - Land Conservancy

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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 David Bolton and seconded by Bob Stanley to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2017 meeting as written. Motion adopted.

FINANCIAL REPORT

**TREASURER:
CHARLENE WESTCOTT**

Treasurer, Charlene Westcott reported the following:

Balance as of November 1, 2017	\$3,086.81
Receipts for 29 meals @ \$10	\$ 290.00
Dues paid	\$ 0.00
Balance	\$3,376.81
Expenses for 24 meals @ \$10	\$ 240.00
Other Expenses	\$ 0.00
Balance as of November 20, 2017	\$3,136.81

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

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

ELECTIONS

It has been noted that a quorum is present.

The results of the election are as follows:

- President – Ron Harris
- Vice President – David Bolton
- Secretary – Sandy Conrad
- Treasurer – Charlene Westcott
- PSAB Board Representative - David Bolton
- PSAB Resolution & Policy - David Bolton
- PSAB Board/Resolution & Policy Alternate - Sandy Conrad
- ACTPO – Susan Naugle, Dave Hazlette and David Bolton
- ACTPO Alternate - Patrick Sullivan

A motion was made by Terry Moser and seconded by James Eline to approve and accept the election of officers as presented. Motion adopted.

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COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The following have volunteered to serve on the following committees:

Legislative Committee - David Bolton (Chair), April Trivitt and Charlene Westcott

ACCOG Representatives - Ron Harris, David Bolton (Alternate)

Awards Committee - Sandy Conrad, David Westcott and Melinda Elnaggar

ACTCC - Ron Harris

ACBA BUSINESS

NEWSLETTER REVIEW

CATEGORY 4 CASINOS

A new law, House Bill 271 has been signed by Governor Wolf on October 20, 2017. This new law amends the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act and authorizes a number of gambling expansion opportunities through the commonwealth.

The law allows for up to ten Category 4 slot machine licenses which would likely, but not necessarily, be owned and operated by existing Pennsylvania licensed casino operators and eventually up to 50 table games. However there are restrictions. No Category 4 location can be located within 25 linear miles of an existing Category 1, 2 or 3 casino facility.

Under Section 1305.1 (A.1) provides the municipalities the option to prohibit, or opt-out of a Category 4 facility with their municipality. The municipality would have to adopt a Resolution at a public meeting. The Resolution would state if the municipality is opting-in or opting-out of the Category 4 facility.

RADAR GOES TO THE HOUSE

On October 18, 2016 the Senate of Pennsylvania passed Senate Bill 535 by a vote of 47 to 3 and it was sent to the House of Representatives for consideration. There was no time for the House to consider the Bill however, it was reintroduced to the Senate as Senate Bill 251. On November 14, 2017 the bill passed the Senate on a 46 to 3

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vote. Now the bill will move forward to the House for consideration.

NOVEMBER 7TH ELECTION TURNOUT

Commissioner Randy Phiel reported earlier that the off-year General Election was further impacted by steady cold rain during most of the day. The election had a 23% turnout.

PUBLIC FIGURE'S FACEBOOK ACCOUNT IS SUBJECT TO RIGHT-TO-KNOW

The state Office of Open Records has ruled that posts on a public figure's Facebook page are subject to the state's Right-to-Know Law. This was determined after a Chambersburg Borough, Franklin County, woman challenged the borough's denial of her request for information from the mayor's Facebook account that he uses for business related to his position. The Open Records Office ordered that copies of the mayor's Facebook page posts be provided to the requestor.

BUILDING PERMIT FEE SURCHARGE INCREASED

Governor Tom Wolf signed a bill (Act 26 of 2017) that will increase the cost of a building permit fee surcharge by 50 cents. The increase from \$4.00 to \$4.50 is effective immediately.

RECESS

A 40-minute recess was taken for dinner.

GUEST SPEAKER(S)

***LINDA ANGSTADT, GIS DIVISION
MANGER - ADAMS COUNTY OFFICE
OF PLANNING& DEVELOPMENT***

Ms. Angstadt, is the GIS Division Manager at Adams County Office of Planning and Development. Pictometry's Connect Explorer is a free web-based program that the Count of Adams officer to all municipalities. The program is for viewing the most current aerial photography of the County. It incorporates several Adams county GIS layers as well, including parcels, address points and street centerlines. This program in no way replaces the current Adams County GIS site, instead it is an additional tool to be used alongside the GIS site. The functionalities within Connect Explorer make it an extremely valuable asset to municipalities. The system can perform the following:

- Generate spreadsheets of data such as mailing addresses for selected parcels.
- Measuring tools for area, lines, elevation and others.
- Side-by-side comparison of current photography with previous year's photos.

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- Ability to add text, labels and shapes to a workspace and save for later use.
- Share those workspaces with others using Connect Explorer.

This is a great tool for municipalities, however there are only 110 seats available to municipalities and special interest groups. The program is not for the general public. For more information contact Lisa Angstadt, Adams County GIS Manager at (717) 337-9824.

RONALD HARRIS AWARD

David (Scotty) Bolton was awarded the Ronald Harris Award. This award was presented at the meeting by Ron Harris.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Then next Adams County Boroughes Association meeting will be held on January 15, 2018.

Submitted by:

Sandy Conrad

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ACBA Secretary