

September 22, 2022

Emergency Services Building

David Bolton, Presiding

1. President Bolton called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
2. Pledge to the Flag
3. Roll Call (Secretary) 16 members present; a quorum is declared
4. Motion to approve the June Minutes made by Commissioner Phiel, 2nd Mouzer (Straban), Approved
5. Treasurers Report and Budget: \$7,852.84 current balance, moved to Audit
6. Speaker: Chrissy Redding, Adams County Treasurer
 - Spoke about duties of the office
 - The County Standing is an A2 Plus rating
 - The office collects taxes for Abbottstown & Arendtsville Boroughs
 - Online dog licenses are available (Annual only, Life Time will be an option in the future)
 - They sell Small Games of Chance Licenses, fishing and hunting licenses
 - Chrissy constantly reviews investments to get the best return
7. New Business:
 - There does not seem to be any interest in forming a sub committee for Secretaries, managers and mayors at this time
 - NIMS training: Helwig asked if NIMS training was mandatory for Municipalities. Chris Mummert (SP) will contact her. It was mentioned that if there is a situation and NIMS training has not been completed, there may be an issue with disaster funds.
8. Regular Business
 - a. Adams County Commissioners: Commissioner Phiel mentioned that the Adams County Response and Recovery Fund Pre-Application period is Oct 1 through Oct 24. More info is on the County Website. For the elections Precinct 2 Gettysburg has been moved back to the College. The Poll workers will be receiving an increase in their stipends. (1963 All-star Championship winner still up in the air)

Commissioner Qually mentioned American Recovery Fund (ARF), the two priorities for these grants are alleviating the economic impacts of the pandemic and water/sewer projects. The maximum grant is 250000.00. Looking for high impact projects. There is also money set aside for the Broadband study. Dates for the public meeting will be determined. Encourages all to attend these meetings. Surveys will be out in paper

and on-line options will be available. The Vice Chairman for the committee is George Mouzer (Straban)

County Manager Steve Nevada mentioned the deadline to register to vote is October 24 and Commissioner Phiel mentioned mail in votes must be received by the County Elections office by 8:00 pm on election day. Post mark will not be counted.

- b. Legislative Representatives:
 - Chris Kimple for Rep. Dan Moul mentioned that Dan is on the Local Government Commission and they are drafting legislation to allow Municipalities to have first options on bidding on vehicles/equipment before going public. Let Rep Moul know if there is interest. Bolton and Mouzer provided positive input for this.
 - Catherine Wallen for Rep. Ecker mentioned there is one more week in session. Now is the time to reach out to the Legislators with the needs for next session so they have time to prepare. Senior Fair is being held at Cross Keys
 - c. Adams County Planning Office: Sherri Clayton-Williams mentioned that Sherri and Harlan are the main contacts for the ARF. Applications will start to be uploaded on October 24. The planning office is currently providing support to the Broadband committee, Ranking farms for Ag Preservations. The amendment to the County Zoning has been adopted. Germany is moving forward with municipal zoning. The Box Card changes are completed and are ready to be moved the two CAD vendor.
 - d. Township Association: Terry Scholl would like to meet with a few Supervisors regarding salaries etc. The Regional Forum for the Township Associations is October 11 at the Gettysburg Wyndham.
 - e. Borough Association: David Laughman mentioned the State Convention is in Gettysburg in October. At the meeting last Monday Nina Tipler was appointed as Vice President.
 - f. PSP: No report
 - g. Destination Gettysburg: No report
 - h. ACTCC: No report
 - i. School Districts:
 - Lori Duncan (Conewago Valley) mentioned that it should be important for the municipalities to communicate with the school districts when developments are being proposed. These developments will have an impact on the schools (Class size, Building Capacity and Bus Routes). She also mentioned that COG is pushing for the school districts to attend the COG meetings, in turn the COG members may want to attend the School Board meetings as well.
 - Justin Peart (Bermudian Springs) mentioned the Superintends from all 6 school districts meet and collaborate weekly as needed. He also mentioned that they will move into the new middle school in January. Hanover Architect donated for the courtyard, they are planning for the demolition of the old middle school and the proposed new locker building.
 - j. AEA: No report
9. Committee Reports
- a. AC Collaboration: No report
 - b. Legislative: David Laughman provided the group with a handout and what the mission is for the committee. He also provided the list of the Legislative priorities and the status.
 - c. Emergency Services: No report

- d. PA COG: David Laughman is nominated for 3rd Vice President.
10. Public Comment: Jack Ketterman mentioned that a baby kangaroo was confiscated in Germany Township.
11. Announcements:
13. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Helwig

Butler Township Secretary.

Note: Next meeting October 27, 2022

When we meet live, ALL CELL PHONE SHOULD BE TURNED OFF OR PLACED ON VIBRATE, Thank you.

COG SNOW POLICY: If the Gettysburg School District cancels school or is on a delay, the COG meeting is canceled.