



Adam County Council of Government

Meeting Minutes August 22, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Prehn at 8:30 am

Members Present: Abbottstown, Arendtsville, Biglerville, Carroll Valley, East Berlin, Fairfield, Berwick, Butler, Conewago, Cumberland, Franklin, Freedom, Germany, Hamilton, Hamiltonban, Highland, Liberty, Mt. Joy, Oxford, Straban, Gettysburg School District, Upper Adams School District and County of Adams

Others Present: Judy Chambers, Cathy Wallen (Rep. Ecker), Rep. Torren Ecker, Sen. Doug Mastriano, Bev Frey (Sen. Mastriano), Sen. Doug Mastriano, Sherri Clayton Williams (ACOPD), Linda Costa, (PACOGL). Lt. Nickey (PSP), John Armstrong (Gettysburg Times), Chris Kimple (Rep. Moul), Rep. Dan Moul, Kaycee Kemper (AEA), George Weikert (Past Adams County Commissioner), Chad Reichard (Cong. Joyce) and Community Media

On a motion made by Gormont, Mt. Joy, 2nd by Bolton, Abbottstown, the minutes from the July 2019 meeting are approved. Motion carried.

On a motion made by Gormont, Mt. Joy, 2nd by Bolton, Abbottstown, the Treasurer's Report is approved. Motion carried.

10th Anniversary Celebration:

On behalf of the COG, Coleen Reamer welcomes the local Legislators and their representatives and thanked them for their continued attendance at our meetings and for the support they provide to us and our Legislative Committee.

Representative Ecker and Representative Moul presented COG President Ferd Prehn with a Citation recognizing and commending our COG being together for 10 years and our service to the community.

Barb Underwood, Cumberland Township Supervisor: Spoke about the Council of Government from the beginning. In early 2009 several people had a vision of a group in Adams County meeting and exchanging ideas that would benefit all Municipalities. This vision became the Council of Governments. The first meeting took place August 2009.

Coleen and Ferd presented awards to those that helped the founding committee. George Weikert, Former Commissioner, Linda Costa, PA COG, Bob Thomas, Franklin County Former Commissioner (Brother Ben accepted the award) and Mike Christopher former manager at Washington Township, Franklin Township.

Linda Costa presented a certificate to us for having a successful COG.

Coleen presented the 5 founding members: Barb Underwood (Cumberland), Bob Gordon (Hamiltonban), Brad Hunt (Gettysburg School District), Judy Chambers (Penn State Extension) and Sandi Vazquez (Biglerville) with Certificates and gifts.

Senator Mastriano presented the 5 founding members with awards.

Recognition was given to all past officers. They were presented with Certificates and Pins

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Coleen recognized and thanked Tammy Kunkel and Warren Bladen for helping us with the meeting rooms and technical assistance as needed.

Adams County Commissioners Randy Phiel and Jim Martin presented a Certificate to the COG and wished us many more years of success.

Old Business

PSP: Lt. Nickey: Top goal now is Safety. They have increased PSP presence around the schools.

ACOPD: Sherri Clayton-Williams asked everyone to please pick up handouts regarding trainings and a survey.

Township Officials Association: Gormont mentioned the November Association Conference.

Boroughs Association: Harris mentioned the next meeting is scheduled for September 16.

School Districts: Doll mentioned that school is in session. Hunt thanked all the road crews and police departments. Expressed appreciation that we include the School Districts in the COG.

AEA: Kacey mentioned that Robin is working on the housing coalition and misses us.

AC Collaboration: Harris Presentation to be given in September.

Legislative Committee: Ben Thomas mentioned that they had a great Tuesday meeting, Sen. Mastriano was present. Look forward to working with him.

Ferd Prehn mentioned we will have 3 presenters in September. October meeting will be at the New Oxford School to have a tour of the new facility.

Dan Moul mentioned a kudos to Brad Hunt and Gettysburg School District for opening their doors for the funeral service for fallen firefighter Walt Wagaman.

Judy Chambers mentioned that it was great to be back and see everyone and stated that Tanya Lamo has taken her position at the Penn State Extension Office.

Dave Bolton thanked Community Media for covering our meeting today.

Coleen mentioned that the Nominating Committee will be meeting soon.

With no further business a motion to adjourn at 9:25 a.m. was made by Gormont, Mt. Joy and 2nd by Mauser, Strahan. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Helwig, Butler Township

Secretary

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