

Adams County Council of Government

Emergency Services Building

March 24, 2022

Meeting Minutes

- 1. President Bolton called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
- 2. Pledge
- Present: Abbottstown, Arendtsville, Biglerville, Carroll Valley, Fairfield, Gettysburg, Littlestown, York Springs, Butler, Cumberland, Germany, Hamilton, Hamiltonban, Highland, Mt. Joy, Straban, Gettysburg School District and County of Adams.
 Kevin Goldblum (PA 1 One Call), Lt Witalek (PSP) & Andrew Merkel (ACOPD)
- 4. A motion was made by Phiel (ACC) and seconded by Harris (Carroll Valley) to approve the February Minutes as presented. Motion carried
- 5. Treasurers report: Smith reported a membership deposit of 100.00 leaving a balance of \$9134.69 as of 3/21/22. She also mentioned that our Hockley and O'Donnell has merged and is now ACNB Insurance. The treasurers report will be submitted for audit.
- 6. Speaker: Kevin Goldblum, PA One Call: Mr. Goldblum spoke briefly about the PA One Call System. He mentioned that Adams County had a Utility Coordinating Committee at one time. Mr. Goldblum would like to see it come back.
- 7. New Business: NONE
- 8. Regular Business:
 - a) ACC: Commissioner Phiel mentioned that there will be a Thaddeus Stevens statue dedication in front of the Courthouse on April 2, 2-4. Adams County will be getting 2.3 million dollars to help with the opioid fight. Commissioner Martin spoke about the lack of business in southwestern PA. Businesses will move to Virginia. Believes much of this is due to the PA permitting process. Pa is one of the few that does not recognize 1031 exchange. (Deferral of state income tax on the exchange of assets held for business use or investment)

Commissioner Qually had a discussion at the County Commissioners Conference about the concept of waiving the PA gas tax and the impact on Municipalities. The County has released the request for proposals for a Broadband consultant.

Steve spoke about America 250. The Commissioners have created a committee and a website is being developed. Mail in voting is still in place for the upcoming election.

- b) Legislative Representatives: NONE
- c) ACOPD: Andy spoke about the digitizing of the Fire Boxes and currently working with the Fire Departments.
- d) Township Association: Bea Schultz mentioned that the web page on the County Website is being updated. Jessica Baim oversees Programs. The Secretary Luncheon is being planned and the tentative date for the Township Association annual meeting is November 9, 2022.
- e) Boroughs Association: NONE
- f) PSP: LT Witalek did mention that he does not provide on letterhead acknowledgment of event permits. A phone call to him is fine.
- g) Destination Gettysburg: NONE
- h) ACTCC: NONE
- i) School Districts: Becci Leathery mentioned some events coming up in the Middle School. A High School student is a national merit scholarship finalist. High School is doing a mini thon. Hired Math and Reading coaches. They are looking for a Food Service director for the entire school district and a teacher for Franklin Township Elementary. Mentioned sport team accomplishments.
- j) AEA: NONE
- 9. Committee Reports:
 - a) AC Collaboration: NONE
 - b) Legislative Report: Bob Gordon mentioned that many of our priorities are in committee. PA Radar Coalition has been advocating for radar for many years. PSP, PMC, PSAB, PSATS, Mayors Assoc and the Commissioners Association support this legislation. The Senate passed the bill, HB 606 is in the House.
 - c) EMS: NONE
- 10. Public Comment: Bea Schultz asked the group how many have spent American Recovery Funds yet. Germany has made a few donations. York Springs may be compensating employees.
- 11. Announcements: Next meeting April 28
- 12. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Helwig

Butler Township