

May 26, 2022

Emergency Services Building

David Bolton, Presiding

1. Welcome and Introduction: President David Bolton Roundtable intros; name something good that has happened to you personally since the last meeting.
2. Pledge to the Flag led by Terry Scholle, Mt Joy
3. Roll Call (Secretary) 12 members present; a quorum is declared
4. Motion to approve the April Minutes Randy Phiel/Straban Mouser as amended
5. Treasurers Report and Budget no report no change - \$9234.69 current balance
6. Speaker: Bradley Kommeth will be speaking about the GIS Fire Box Card project

Nationwide transition in enhanced 911 system (20 yrs. old), new box system for dispatch, one fire box per parcel (instead of 50-foot buffer previously used/ only good for urban areas). GPS dispatching will not find the correct department with this method. Landlines were primarily used which assisted the previous system but current cell phones will ping towers and triangulate exact locations, which the new system will utilize. Began in Nov 2021 with municipal outreach, Fire Chiefs started assessing in Jan 2022. Fire Chiefs make the decisions on boundaries for new map. For the majority of the current boxes, there will be no change to service areas except for those on the previous borders who may have had more than one provider depending on the location of the call from the property. Only 21 multi-boxes remain and 31 additional parcels will need to be divided going forward, based on railroads, battlefield lands, etc. Fire Chiefs will approve and then the municipalities will need to review and approve at their meetings. 11 of 18 departments are completed for conflict resolutions. Timeframe is next couple of weeks to complete and get out to municipalities. He is available to take calls or come to meetings to talk to officials before approval. This will place Adams County ahead of schedule for next gen updates to 911 systems (deadline is Dec 2022 transition with full live by March 2023). Most feedback from municipalities have been positive after discussions, with minor pushback. GeoCOM and PEMA are working together to categorize the data layers, each of which have over 10s of thousands of cells of data. Current 1,200 critical errors (top 3 in region for least), many are six figures. Rerunning reports with changes to update these errors. August 2022 goal – 0 errors.

7. Old Business none
8. New Business none
- . Regular Business

a. Adams County Commissioners Randy – successful election, dedicated election staff. Half of county directors in PA have quit in past two years. Recount next Wed in Oz/McCormick race. Less than 1,000 votes separate candidates. ACT 77 mandates signatures and dates on mail in

ballots. Some received before the date but were not dated. McCormick wants the extra votes to be counted, started lawsuit. Only 9 ballots in Adams Co fit this situation. Current judgement would count the ballots; must be appealed to higher court.

ARPA – completed survey with 3 priorities, Broadband, Affordable Housing, Economic Development. Survey went online, 200+ received. No money has been dispersed from county yet, have until 2026 to allocate.

Marty – election judge in Straban attended mother’s funeral and came back to polls; need help across the county to fill in for such situations. Services to prisoners re-entering society need to be increased (getting ID, credentials for jobs, etc.). Survey of ex-prisoners on housing before and after incarceration. Do these factors affect recidivism?

f. PSP no report

b. Legislative Representatives Torren Ecker – Remote meetings for municipalities bill needs some amendments for standards of practice (1<sup>st</sup> amendment issues, safeguards for public comment). Budget sessions, good revenues this year, Gov on board with statutory thresholds for rainy day funds. Will help during economic downturn years. Money for education. Investment in infrastructure. Next week or two there will be updates publicly. Marty - mental health services cuts previously should be returned to budgets. Torren having meetings on direct service providers in the near future; advocating to increase salaries in the mental health and telehealth fields to attract employees. CCAP has made mental health funding their #1 priority this year (due to prison populations).

g. Destination Gettysburg Visits through April is best ever, hotel demand and revenue highest ever, Memorial Day will be big, parade and 100 nights event. Visitors’ centers are now fully open and staffed. Staffing elsewhere is still difficult. Terry Scholle – Outlets have been doing well; 13 buses came in on one day last week. A few storefront areas still available. Waiver given to pursue non-retail businesses to keep busy. Bus traffic increases in Gburg also.

c. Adams County Planning Office Sherry Clayton-Williams – draft TIP was released for public comment until June 16. 2 public meetings on June 1<sup>st</sup>. 10am and 6 pm at Ag Center or online. June 22<sup>nd</sup> next ACTPO meeting vote.

Ag preservation applications until June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Round 15.

Grant for Parks and Rec projects open June 1<sup>st</sup>.

CDBG 2022 process opening, apps accepted until Aug 19<sup>th</sup>, Public meeting will be planned. \$300k should be available. Contact office with ideas for projects before applying.

h. ACTCC no report YATB – Terry Scholle, form to describe local commonwealth tax districts to those moving into the area and not familiar with PA (out of staters). EIT has become an issue for appeals from those who do not understand the various taxes and authorities. Recommends giving out to new residents in a welcome packet or putting on website for their information. Document can be found on the Mt Joy website at mtjoytwp.us or contacting YATB. Mouser suggests Real Estate agencies use it, also.

d. Township Association Bev – working on programs for this year, June 2<sup>nd</sup> flagger training course, Sec luncheon in Sept, Convention in Nov, committee will meet in June. July invitations will be sent (earlier than normal due to logistics). Lot of vendor interests.

i. School Districts Lori Duncan (CVSD) – Ready for graduation at NOHS tonight. Tomorrow is final day. Jack Ketterman – does 2023 budget account for school resource officers? Lori – looking into contracted services or local PD that can accommodate such. May hire (with grants) to

supplement such officers. Renovations with safety enhancements will be explored (single entry points, call-ins, and other ideas are being considered). Staff training is also ongoing.

- e. Borough's Association Bolton – working on new bylaws to set up continuity/term limits
  - j. AEA no report
9. Committee Reports
- a. A.C. Collaboration no report
  - c. Emergency Services no report
  - b. Legislative no report - still do not have a place to meet (formerly at Alloway/Mastriano office)
  - d. PA COG no report
10. Public Comment Dave Arndt – question, land development plan recording, stickers were put on the plans but there was just a document, no signature block. Recorder said it is a new process. Oxford Twp has the same issue. Oxford also experiencing the dept telling him what they can and cannot record after municipalities vote on plans because it was longer than 90 days. Planning office (Sherry) agrees that plans should be signed as before. Cathy Wallen – reached out to Karen Heflin about the changes, were told that the rest of the counties are making the same changes for electronic upgrade efforts. Hamilton has also had issues with nitpicking and uncooperative attitudes in the Recorder's office. It took 16 days for them to mail it back, would not email or take care of it while they were in the office.
- President will await response from Heflin via Nevada at next meeting and a possible ad hoc committee could be formed to address these issues
12. Announcements
13. Adjourn

Note: Next meeting June 23, 2022

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