

President Gus Fridenvalds called the March 26, 2015 Adams County COG meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. The following minutes were taken by Andy Raymond (EAST BERLIN), Adams County Vice President in the absence of the COG secretary.

The following members were present: **Boroughs:** Arendtsville, East Berlin, Fairfield, and Gettysburg. **Townships:** Conewago, Cumberland, Franklin, Germany, Hamilton, Hamiltonban, Highland, Huntington, Liberty, Menallen, Reading, Straban, and Tyrone. **Schools:** None. **Adams County:** Marty Qually, Randy Phiel and Jim Martin.

Others present were: Andrew Merkel, Adams County Office of Planning and Development.

MINUTES APPROVAL WAS MADE FOR THE FEBRUARY 26, 2015 COG MINUTES.

TREASURERS REPORT: Pat Smith presented the Treasurer's report which showed a balance as of 2/28/15 of \$7,477.29. The outstanding unpaid dues were listed on the report.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Paul Bart (READING TOWNSHIP) spoke to the group on Adams County Connected regarding the committee's work on obtaining wireless access in the county. Discussion on County IT Department.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. C. Collaboration Committee. Nothing to report

Legislative Committee: Paul Bart (READING TOWNSHIP) has agreed to serve as Chair and a meeting of interested people will be held after this morning's COG meeting.

Adams County Hazardous Mitigation Planning: In order to move ahead on the Hazardous Mitigation Planning a draft resolution has been supplied from the county and may be adopted at the municipalities' meetings and returned to John Eline prior to the county April 17, 2015 deadline. This approval needs done in order for each municipality to be a part of the plan.

Emergency Services: Barb Underwood (CUMBERLAND TOWNSHIP) presented to all members a press release regarding the consolidation of ALS services between United Hook & Ladder and Gettysburg Fire Department. The date for the merger is June 28, 2015.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- Adams County Commissioners: Commissioner Jim Martin and Commissioner Randy Phiel spoke about potential business expansion in the county with the availability of broad band expansion. Regarding Emergency Services, Commissioner Phiel explained that Hanover Hospital will maintain ALS Service to Eastern Adams County. Discussion on the Human Services Building will save money in leases throughout the county and mental health workers being available in the county.
- Township Officials Association: No report
- Borough's Association/ACTCC: No report
- School Districts: No report.

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OPEN DISCUSSION (continued):

- Adams County Economic Development Corporation (ACEDC) No report.
- Adams County Office of Planning and Development Director (ACOPD) Andrew Merkel announced that the Planning Office was tasked by PennDot for inventory of local roads not on the list for liquid fuels and bridges that were not inspected by the county bridge engineer. They have the inventory list and will start meeting with the municipal offices on this issue.
- **PUBLIC COMMENT:** President Fridenvalds announced that Rusty Ryan from Conservation District will be the speaker at the May 28, 2015 COG meeting regarding the MS4 requirements.
- Vice President Andy Raymond announced a public event being held at York Springs Fire Department on April 25, 2015 which will include legislative attendance.
- **THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY PRESIDENT FRIDENVALDS.**

Signed,

Sandra L. Vazquez
Secretary