

**ADAMS TOWNSHIP
MONTHLY MEETING
July 14, 2025**

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Board was held on Monday, July 14, 2025 at the Township Hall, 17118 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Trustee Eister, Treasurer Nettell, Trustee Keranen, and Clerk Pindral. There were 4 guests.

MOTION made by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to accept the minutes of the June 9, 2025 meeting and June 9, 2025 Wholesale Water meeting. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Heikkinen reported the contract for Blue Line Const. for utility lines to the new fire hall was signed two weeks ago. Issues with recording of easement resolved now, supplies ordered, and utilities are "a go". Because the fire department serves all residents in Adams Township the cost of the water and sewer utilities to new hall will be taken from all four sewer accounts, retail water and possibly general fund. Tentative breakdown: Baltic and Trimountain sewer accounts \$10-12,000 each, Painesdale and Atlantic Mine sewer accounts \$18,500-20,500 each, and retail water \$63,000. Secondary scenario would have Retail water paying \$63,861, General fund paying \$20,000, and the four-sewer account each paying a percentage dependent on their current budget status. Supervisor and UPEA engineer will further discuss.

Thank-you letter received from the South Range Fourth of July Committee for donation to fireworks fund.

Community Service notice received from UPPCO regarding recycling of old appliances at Ed's Salvage of August 8 from 10-5PM.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Supervisor Heikkinen inquired if there were any questions or concerns regarding the June 2025 Financial Reports, and if none, asked for a motion to approve. MOTION by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen to accept the June 2025 financial reports. Roll call, all ayes. Motion approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief Dan Coponen stated there were 11 EMT and 0 Fire Call for the month. He stated the department is pursuing a point system, involving mtg attendance/training/call-outs. Blue Line Const. plans to start ASAP with completion without penalty dependent on material availability. No update on Bakertily financial study.

ASSESSOR REPORT:

Assessor Report for June reviewed. BOR scheduled for July 23.

CEMETERY REPORT:

Jerry and Robert continue upkeep on both cemeteries. Dodge pickup needed repairs on brakes and cylinders at a cost of \$931.00.

BUSINESS-UNFINISHED/NEW:

Property for water tank has been staked. Boring needs to be done yet. A 20-30' sinkhole was discovered by M26 and 6 Mile Road onto Snowmobile trail and the State was notified. No news since documents were submitted if extra funding is available at State/Federal level.

Uniform Chart of Accounts is now complete.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

No meetings until September.

NEW BUSINESS:


Supervisor Heikkinen stated working with owners on house in Painesdale to get current names on house deed to avoid problems in the future.

Document received from auditor. Audit to start any day.

Review of Let Run Policy. Don and Heather have made changes clarifying let run is permitted only during extreme cold condition. Board requested addition of "with Township approval". Policy will be tweaked and brought before the Board in August or September. Certain lines do need let run due to known conditions.

With no other business brought before the Board, a MOTION at 6:40PM by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister. Roll call, all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:



Debbie Pindral, Township Clerk

ADAMS TOWNSHIP
Wholesale Water Board

July 14, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Wholesale Water Board was held on Monday, July 14 at the Township Hall, 17104 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 6:45PM. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Treasurer Nettell, Trustee Eister, Trustee Keranen, and Clerk Pindral.

Supervisor Heikkinen stated Travis and Don had an emergency and could not attend this meeting.

Discussion regarding purchase of grader. There are no grants available for equipment. Rental cost would be approx. \$5000/wk plus transportation costs. Maybe prep work could be done before arrival of contracted equipment. Query if an assistant agreement could be made with Village of South Range, or contract with Portage Lake Construction.

Chris Holmes stated the bore holes will be drilled next week, 4 locations over 2-day period. Need to verify elevations i.e. Hancock and Portage, to make sure of gravity feed. Stated Josh H is working with Blue Line Const. on getting materials together.

Mapping in MPower continues to be updated. Locating curb stands/valves/hydrants/sewer cleanouts.

Due to volume of rain received, ditching is required to resolve clear standing water, and monitoring of influent water into Atlantic lagoons. Lagoon discharge is complete.

Ordering lift station pumps for backup inventory is in process.

21 meters are left to install out of 650 new meters.

No update available on meter malfunction by Moyle. Board requested an update for August meeting.

With no other business or comments before the board, a MOTION by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to adjourn the Wholesale Water meeting at 7:05P.M. Roll call, all ayes, Motion approved.

Submitted by:



Debbie Pindral, Township Clerk