

ADAMS TOWNSHIP
MONTHLY MEETING
September 14, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Board was held on Monday, September 14, 2026 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 9 guests.

MOTION made by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to accept the minutes of the August 10, 2026 Public Hearing/Monthly Meeting, and August 10, 2026 Wholesale Water Meeting. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

- Resident stated the South Range 4th of July Committee is looking for donations for the golf scramble fundraiser to be held in October. Stated has tried to contact the Houghton County sheriff regarding contracting for law enforcement reinforcement to no avail.
- Resident of Atlantic Mine thanked the Board for the Huron Street upgrade.

CORRESPONDENCE/NEW BUSINESS:

- Supervisor Heikkinen stated postcards have been sent to households in Adams Township informing of the Sept 21st 6PM meeting to hear blight ordinance concerns from public, and to see how the Township can help. South Range Village Council President will also be in attendance to hear concerns and answer questions.
- Invitation to 58th Annual WUPPDR meeting to be held on Sept 21 at the Mariner North in Copper Harbor.
- Quote received from Pest Management to address insect infestation in the water dept office. It was suggested that employees spray the area first before hiring Pest Management.
- Supervisor Heikkinen stated Portage Township sent a contact list with their employee names and emergency phone numbers and requested that Adams Township send one in return. Supervisor will have office manager and water superintendent draw up the list and send to surrounding municipalities.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Supervisor Heikkinen asked if there were any other questions or concerns regarding the September 2026 Financial Reports, and if none, asked for a motion to approve. MOTION by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen to accept the September 2026 financial reports. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Dept. reports 10 EMT and 3 Fire calls for the month. No Fire Dept. activity list turned in at the meeting for September. Fire Chief reports the dept. will be doing a walk thru at U-Haul buildings in Atlantic Mine. Supervisor Heikkinen stated he is calling a meeting between the Township Board and the Fire Dept. "Brass" to discuss issues, expectations, concerns. Date: October 19th at 6PM in Baltic.

CEMETERY: Supervisor Heikkinen stated cemeteries are winding down for the year. He met with the employees and thanked them for their work in cemetery upkeep. Robert will be done shortly. Nate will stay on for winter projects like clearing hydrants, buildings upkeep, and ice-skating season.

ASSESSOR REPORT: Assessor Report for August reviewed and approved. Supervisor Heikkinen also reported Assessor Hayrynen received "2026 Outstanding Assessor of the Year Award" from the Upper Peninsula Assessor's Association. Board extended congratulations to her.

BUSINESS – UNFINISHED:

- Engineer Holmes stated he anticipates bids to go out on the Wholesale Water project in October.
- Planning Commission Report: The Committee will be meeting on Sept. 16 and will be working on zoning related to data centers. Poles for the Atlantic Mine fencing have been dropped off and will be stained.

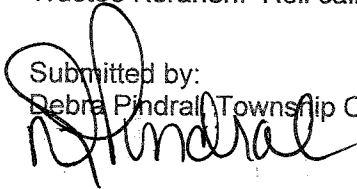
BUSINESS – NEW:

- Engineer Holmes stated Moyle Construction submitted time and material cost for the open cut on Chippewa St. which includes paving of the patch. MOTION by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen to approve the amend change order not to exceed \$22,243.35. Roll call, all ayes, Motion carried. Resolution 2026-09-01 authorizing payment from Rural Development in the amount of \$126,038.03 on new Fire Hall Project presented. MOTION made by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to approve Resolution 2026-09-01 for payment of funds for the Adam Township Fire Hall Project. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried. The change of stairs placement will be done at no extra cost. The cost of the change in grinder and need for generator isn't available tonight; therefore, a special meeting will be held on 9/21 at 5:45 to discuss/approve. Project schedule is on track.
- Supervisor Heikkinen stated the Atlantic Post office needs a new heating system. A hydronic heating boiler system to replace the propane gas system estimated to run \$51,000. Board suggested switching the postal office to natural gas to allow compatibility with the connected building. Trustee Eister will obtain bids for the main roof repair.
- The South Huron project has been completed. Cost to Township is \$55,000, funds collected through road millage on tax bills. Residents have expressed being happy with the project results. Suggestions needed asap for 2027. Clerk Pindral suggested the snowmobile crossing on Second St in Painesdale. Stating vehicles must come to a complete stop and proceed with caution across the rough strip.
- The tire collection was a great success with the three municipalities collecting 1533 tires for disposable.
- No leads yet on who dumped the trash by Mountain View Cemetery.

With no other business brought before the Board, a MOTION at 6:59PM by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen. Roll call, all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Debra Pindral Township Clerk



ADAMS TOWNSHIP
Wholesale Water Board
September 14, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Wholesale Water Board was held on Monday, September 14, 2026 at the Township Hall, 17118 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Trustee Eister, Treasurer Nettell, Trustee Keranen, and Clerk Pindral.

Supervisor Heikkinen stated the crew is working on issues and not able to attend tonight's meeting.

Supervisor Heikkinen reported auditor has suggested cleanup of delinquent accounts, (uncollectable relative to deceased) and prior to law that enabled the township for place delinquent accounts onto the tax bills. MOTION by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to start the clean-up of the delinquent/deceased accounts. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor stated the Township will not proceed at this time with noise ordinance. Tabled for future.

Reports the lagoons have been re-gravelled in Painesdale at a cost of approx. \$6500. This was recommendation from EGLE. Cemetery employees assisted in cutting the lagoons foliage 6ft back. Fences lifted and reattached. Some new fencing is needed. Atlantic lagoons will also be re-gravelled.

South Huron St. in Atlantic Mine needs some ditching and pipe, but mostly done.

Trimountain lift station on 1st St. is filling with baby wipes causing significant grinder issues. Don Cline had conversation with the people who gathered regarding the severe consequences of putting the wipes in the pipes and hopefully they understand! Pump fried and costs about \$6000 and labor of three employees. New pump is on order.

Water tank in Painesdale had clean report.

A 700# compactor is needed. Current one used by township employees is too small with not enough density.

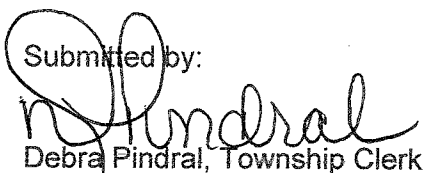
Supervisor Heikkinen requested the board leave the Wholesale Water Meeting and go into executive session at 7:17PM to discuss personnel issues. Motion made by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

MOTION made by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen to leave executive session and return to Wholesale Water Meeting at 7:20PM. Roll call, all Ayes.

Supervisor Heikkinen stated letter of resignation of Township Clerk and application process for appointment of Township Clerk was discussed.

With no other business or comments before the board, a MOTION by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen to adjourn the Wholesale Water meeting at 7:25P.M. Roll call, all ayes, Motion approved.

Submitted by:


Debra Pindral, Township Clerk

ADAMS TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL MEETING
September 14, 2026

A Special Meeting of the Adams Township Board was held on Monday, September 21, 2026 at the Township Hall, 17118 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 5:45PM. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Trustee Eister, and Treasurer Nettell. Clerk Pindral and Trustee Keranen were absent with excuse. Chris Holmes, UPEA, was present.

Chris Holmes presented addendum for \$23,091.11 for generator for New Fire Hall Project.

MOTION made by Trustee Eister with support from Supervisor Heikkinen to approve the change in cost of the generator. Roll call, three ayes with Clerk Pindral and Trustee Keranen absent with excuse. Motion carried.

A MOTION by Trustee Eister with support from Treasurer to adjourn the Special Meeting. Roll call, three ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Tracy Nettell, Township Treasurer