

ADAMS TOWNSHIP  
MONTHLY MEETING  
January 12, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Board was held on Monday, January 12, 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 6 guests.

MOTION made by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to accept the minutes of the December 8, 2025 Monthly Meeting, and December 8, 2025 Wholesale Water meeting. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

- There were no public comments.

**CORRESPONDENCE/NEW BUSINESS:**

- Supervisor Heikkinen reviewed the annual Semco pipeline safety reminder.
- Correspondence from Hannula Insurance announcing a change in servicing of insurance policies: Kevin Decker Agency from lower Michigan will be agency.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Supervisor Heikkinen inquired if there were any questions or concerns regarding the December 2025 Financial Reports, and if none, asked for a motion to approve. MOTION by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to accept the December 2025 financial reports. Roll call, all ayes. Supervisor Heikkinen presented budget adjustments to the Board. A few in each account with Wholesale Water having the most due to the loan payoff. General Fund biggest adjustment was payment for the new fire hall utility lines – repair and maintenance. Payment was made from general fund as all township resident's health and welfare are impacted by the new fire hall. MOTION by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen to approve the budget adjustments as presented. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Fire Chief reported there were 23 EMT calls and 4 Fire calls. Chief Coponen reported the fire dept. needs to place an order to replace 10 air tanks that have expired at a cost of approx. \$15,000. MOTION by Trustee Keranen with support from Trustee Eister to approve the purchase of 10 replacement air tanks. Roll call, all ayes. Motion carried.

**CEMETERY:** Trustee Eister reported the gates for the Atlantic Mine cemetery are done and in storage. Cost to powder coat is approximately \$1,725. Supervisor Heikkinen the current sexton is experiencing health issues, which is necessitating a new hire. He will have the Office Manager place an advertisement in the usual spots.

**ASSESSOR REPORT:** Assessor Report for December reviewed. Supervisor Heikkinen expressed thanks to Assessor Hayrynen for the synopsis of information for S&P Global meeting. December BOR went well. Next BOR for public review, comment, corrections will be held in March.

**BUSINESS – UNFINISHED:**

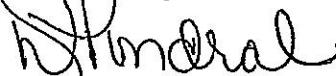
- Engineer Holmes reported the contractor that was awarded the fire hall bid is still reviewing bid to trim costs which are above base. Recommended the Township Board hold off on resolution awarding until they can meet again with contractor for final expenditures. A Special meeting will be called to finalize resolution to get project started.
- Engineer Holmes stated he will be meeting with Water Supervisor, Don Cline, tomorrow to review pressures, etc. Booster station will boost pressures back up to 40. Goal is to have paperwork in the next week for permits, Bid out in February. Supervisor Heikkinen stated the

wholesale water loan had been paid off but the monies that were earmarked as reserve will stay in reserve but not restricted any more.

- Planning Commission Report: No update.
- Office Manager Heather reported the Houghton County Road Commission stated in order to place another speed limit sign on the hill on Goodell St, a speed study would need to be performed. Outcome could result in higher speed limits, not lower. There are 15MPH limit signs on street approaching the school as well as pedestrian walking signs. Will contact the school to see about State laws on placing a "school" sign.
- S&P Global teleconference with supervisor, treasurer and clerk to discuss Township economy, finance, management, debt and capital in relation to water loan. (Turned out to be irrelevant once S&P discovered the WW loan was paid off in December).
- Emergency wellhead water council grant was not awarded to Adams Township.

With no other business brought before the Board, a MOTION at 7:05PM 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  
January 12, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Adams Township Wholesale Water Board was held on Monday, January 12, 2026 at the Township Hall, 17104 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Trustee Eister, Treasurer Nettell, Trustee Keranen, and Clerk Pindral. Also in attendance was Don Cline, Water Supervisor.

Don Cline reported crew are busy performing maintenance, and doing lots of plowing snow. Keeping fire hydrants clear is repetitive as they are close to the roads and quickly get buried in snow.

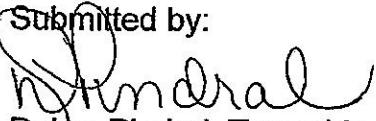
Trustee Keranen inquired on numerous out of order hydrants in Atlantic Mine. Don stated with flushed, sometimes the hydrant leaks and freezes. Needs to be pumped before they freeze, especially the older hydrants.

Reports the crew will begin working on repairs on the vactor truck in February getting it ready for the summer season.

Lots of manholes need heads and casings lowered when being repaired. Supervisor Heikkinen and Don need to set up a meeting with John Cima at Ho. Co. Road Commission to map and schedule which roads fixed. Check on what the road millage income will cover.

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  
January 20, 2026

A Special Meeting of the Adams Township Board was held on Monday, January 20, 2026 at the Township Hall, 17118 First Street, Baltic, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30PM. The following board members responded to roll call: Supervisor Heikkinen, Trustee Eister, Treasurer Nettell, and Trustee Keranen. Clerk Pindral was absent with excuse. Chris Holmes, UPEA, was present.

New Fire Hall Project bid price was reduced to \$1,483,790. Resolution 2026-01-#1 awarding the lump sum price contract for base bid with deductive alternate to Thomas J Moyle Jr. Inc. in the amount of 1,808,500 contingent upon approval of change order #1 which reduced the contract price to \$1,483,790 and Rural Development approval.

MOTION made by Trustee Eister with support from Trustee Keranen to approve Resolution 2026-01-#1 awarding base bid with deductive alternate to Thomas J Moyle Jr Inc. Roll call, four ayes. Clerk Pindral absent with excuse. Motion carried.

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

Submitted by:

Tracy Nettell, Township Treasurer