

President Gus Fridenvalds called the October 27, 2016 Adams County COG meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

The following members were present: **Boroughs:** Arendtsville, Biglerville, Carroll Valley, Fairfield, Gettysburg and Littlestown. **Townships:** Butler, Cumberland, Franklin, Germany, Hamilton, Hamiltonban, Highland, Huntington, Liberty, Oxford and Straban. **School Districts:** Bermudian Springs, Conewago Valley, Fairfield Area, Gettysburg Area, Upper Adams. **Adams County.**

Guests: Phil Wagner, Biglerville Resident; Kaycee Kemper, Adams County Economic Development Corp.; Andrew Merkel and Sherri Clayton-Williams, Adams County Office of Planning and Development (ACOPD); Vanessa Pellechio, Gettysburg Times, Mark Wherley, Station Manager for Community Media.

Legislative Guests and Speakers were: Jim Martin, Randy Phiel and Marty Qually, Adams County Commissioners; Bob DeSouza for U.S. Senator Pat Toomey; Bob Reilly for U.S. Congressman Scott Perry; Chad Reichard for State Senator Richard Alloway; Chris Kimple for PA State Representative for the 91<sup>st</sup> District Dan Moul; Jared Cottrill for PA State Representative for the 193<sup>rd</sup> District Will Tallman; Ben Thomas, Jr., Moderator and Manager for Cumberland Township; Holly Sutphin for U.S. Congressman Scott Perry.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY PREHN (ARENDSVILLE) AND SECONDED BY LIVINGSTON (HAMILTON) TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 22, 2016 MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**TREASURER REPORT:** Pat Smith announced the Treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$10,230.74 as of September 30, 2016. Further, the current balance being \$8,057.84 as of this date which included a previously approved expense.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY MOSER (LITTLESTOWN) AND SECONDED BY PLANK (FRANKLIN) TO APPROVE THE TREASURER REPORT TO AUDIT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

President Fridenvalds announced that this is the Adams County Council of Governments annual legislative forum. He turned over the remainder of the meeting to Bob Gordon (HAMILTONBAN), Legislative Committee Chair.

Gordon (HAMILTONBAN) introduced and thanked the Legislative Committee for their work on this 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Legislative Forum. Also, he explained that the State Legislature is in session so the Elected Officials are represented by their staffers. Gordon welcomed the staffers and thanked each one for coming. Also, he thanked the Community Media for coming and taping the forum. This event can be seen on their website at [www.communitymedia.net](http://www.communitymedia.net). Gordon announced the Q&A sheets that were available to those in attendance and turned the meeting over to the moderator, Ben Thomas, Jr (CUMBERLAND).

Thomas introduced each legislative speaker which are listed: Bob DeSouza, Representing U.S. Senator Pat Toomey; Bob Reilly for U.S. Congressman for the 4<sup>th</sup> District Scott Perry; Chad Reichard for State Senator Richard Alloway III; Chris Kimple for PA State Representative for the 91<sup>st</sup> District Dan Moul; Jared Cottrill for PA State Representative for the 193<sup>rd</sup> District Will Tallman. Thomas asked each person to give an opening statement and followed up with questions from the Legislative Committee and various questions from the attendees.

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Federal and State topics included but not limited to: Affordable Care Act, Charter School Funding, Property Tax Reform, Sanctuary Cities, Animal Abuse Prevention, Opioid Drugs, Pension Reform, Federal and State Budgets, Prevailing Wage and Davis Bacon Act, MS4, Electronic Recycling, Uniform Construction Code, Local Police Radar Use, Unfunded Federal Mandates, Transportation Funding, Federal Regulations, Constitutional Amendment on size of PA Legislature, Well Water Standards and National Security.

Thomas concluded the forum and turned the meeting over to President Fridenvalds.

President Fridenvalds thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Signed,

Sandra L. Vazquez  
Secretary