

The Adams Township Board of Supervisors held their organizational meeting on January 5, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. at the Adams Township Municipal Building, 690 Valencia Road, Mars, Pennsylvania. Present at the meeting were Supervisors Russell R. Ford, Ronald J. Shemela, Darryl M. Brandon, David M. Goodworth and Ronald G. Nacey, Solicitor Sean Gallagher, Township Manager Michael Tylka and Secretary Theresa Turner.

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:14 P.M. by Chairman Russell R. Ford.

Vice Chairman Ronald J. Shemela then declared the present Board disorganized.

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, they appointed Russell R. Ford as temporary Chairman. All were in favor.

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Ronald J. Shemela, they appointed Theresa Turner as temporary Secretary. All were in favor.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, they appointed Russell R. Ford as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. All were in favor.

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, they appointed Ronald J. Shemela as Vice Chairman. All were in favor.

On a motion by Russell R. Ford and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed Ronald J. Shemela as Supervisor in Charge of Police. All were in favor.

On a motion by David M. Goodworth and seconded by Ronald J. Shemela, they appointed Russell R. Ford and Ronald G. Nacey as the liaisons between the fire departments and the Board of Supervisors. All were in favor.

On a motion by David M. Goodworth and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, they appointed Michael Tylka as Township Manager. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed Theresa L. Turner as Secretary/Treasurer. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they appointed Candace A. Mathews as Assistant Secretary. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they appointed Russell R. Ford as Chief Administrative Officer. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, they appointed Shawn T. Anglum as Chief of Police and Public Safety Director. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed Robert J. Scanlon as the Assistant Chief of Police. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by Ronald J. Shemela, they appointed John R. Hock as the Assistant Public Safety Director. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed Edward F. Lenz and Aaron M. Zaliponi as Sergeants for the Adams Township Police Department. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, they appointed John R. Hock as Public Works Director. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed all five Supervisors as Road Masters. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they appointed Joseph B. Julian as Code Enforcement Officer/Zoning Officer. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, Sean Rourke and Bill Montgomery were appointed as Assistant Code Enforcement Officer/Zoning Officer. All were in favor.

On a motion by David M. Goodworth and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, Brian Perry was appointed as Park Director. All were in favor.

On a motion by David M. Goodworth and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they appointed Sandy Dilner for Vacancy Board. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by, they appointed Michael Gallagher and Sean Gallagher from Gallagher Law Group as Solicitors for the Board of Supervisors at the rate of \$205 per hour. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed Michael Gallagher and Sean Gallagher from Gallagher Law Group as Solicitors for the Planning Commission at the rate of \$205 per hour. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they appointed Sarah Hancher as Solicitor for the Zoning Hearing Board at the rate of \$195 per hour. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, they appointed David Mitchell from Campbell Durant, P.C as Labor Solicitor. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed the firm of R. D. Hoag and Associates as the Certified Public Accountants for the township. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed Bryan Hinds for cash reconciliations for the township. All were in favor.

On a motion by David M. Goodworth and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they appointed Darryl M. Brandon to the Water Authority for a five year term. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they appointed Elizabeth McMeeckin to the Planning Commission. All were in favor.

On a motion by David M. Goodworth and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they appointed Ed Unger to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three year term. All were in favor.

On a motion by David M. Goodworth and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they reappointed Ronald G. Nacey and Darryl M. Brandon to the Pension Selection Committee. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by Ronald J. Shemela, they appointed Animal Control Services as Animal Control Officer at wages of \$600 per month. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, they appointed Olsen Craft as Township Engineers at a rate of \$149 per hour. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed M.E.S.A as backup Engineers to the Township at a rate of \$115 per hour. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by Ronald J. Shemela, they appointed Herbert, Rowland & Grubic as the backup Engineers to the Township. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they appointed Olsen Craft as the Zoning and Planning Consultant for the township at the standard rates. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they appointed Trans Associates as Traffic Consultant for the township at the rate of \$175 per hour. All were in favor.

On a motion by David M. Goodworth and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, they appointed MM Traffic Consulting as Traffic Consultant. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed M. Corle as Sewage Enforcement Officer. All were in favor.

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they reappointed Robert Geyer, Jimmy Sperdute, and Frank Thompson as Building Codes Appeals Board. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by David M. Goodworth, they appointed Curt Huffman as Emergency Management Coordinator for the Township. All were in favor.

## **ADDITIONAL ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS**

On a motion by Darryl M. Brandon and seconded by David M. Goodworth, the Outline of Benefits and wages for non-union employees was approved as presented. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon the following taxes were reenacted. All were in favor.

Real Estate – 3.75 mills

Occupation Tax – \$10.00

Real Estate Transfer Tax – ½ of 1%

Earned Income – ½ of 1%

On a motion by Ronald G. Nacey and seconded by Ronald J. Shemela, Nextier Bank will remain the depository for all township funds. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they authorized the Chairman to spend \$5,000 for emergency repairs or supplies. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, they authorized the 2026 meeting dates. All were in favor.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by Darryl M. Brandon, the minutes of the meeting of December 8, 2025, were approved. All were in favor.

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, the minutes of the meeting of December 15, 2025, were approved. All were in favor.

On a motion by David M. Goodworth and seconded by Ronald G. Nacey, the minutes of the meeting of December 22, 2025, were approved. All were in favor.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Resolution 2026-1 Local Government Options**

The resolution, which outlined preliminary merger discussions with Mars Borough, was read by Township Manager Michael Tylka. A public informational meeting will be held January 22, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Twelve Oaks Mansion, 160 Scharberry Lane, Mars, PA 16046.

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by David M. Goodworth, Resolution 2026-1 was approved. All were in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Ronald J. Shemela and seconded by David M. Goodworth, the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 P.M. All were in favor.



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Theresa L. Turner, Township Secretary