

**AGENDA: SUPERVISORS MEETING - MERCER TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY, PA
February 16, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at pm by

Members present:

Visitors:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All attendees (please stand).

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Motion to accept the January 19, 2026 Meeting Minutes as printed: Second:

OLD BUSINESS:

Kozy Rest Sewage Expansion: Invoiced Kozy Rest for legal & engineering expenses.

Public Sewer:

1. **Incomplete connections/inspections (5):** 150 Station Rd #2; 1358 Eau Claire Rd; 4133 WFH; 138 Boyers Rd; 204 Boyers Rd.
2. **Delinquencies-Three or more months (4):** Two are 3-4 months, two are delinquent by 5 months or more.
3. **Property Liens (3):** D. Brown (connect); F. Carroll-Gillen (debt); H. Russell (debt).
4. **Notice of Claim:** Filed on H. Russell estate. Waiting for estate to be settled. House is occupied.
5. **Auto Pay:** 47 of 119 accounts (40%).
6. **Delinquency Rate:** Total-7%; Severe-1%.
7. **Sewer Lateral Inspections:**
8. **Tepco Grinder Pumps:** 141 Shields Rd pump was sent for repair. Need S/N of replacement pump.
9. **PumpMan Maintenance Program:** Inspection # 6 of 6 complete. Hour meters need replaced. John will follow up.
10. **Ground Leveling:**
11. **Sludge Hauling:**
12. **Pine-Harrisville Authority:** Letter of request for release received from Solicitor. Motion to sign letter & send to PHA requesting that Mercer Township be released from the Pine Harrisville Authority:
13. **Giesler Sewage Capacity request:** Sent the letter of approved request for 2 EDU's be added to the Harrisville system for Mercer Twp.

Private Sewer:

1. **B. Snyder (632 Grove City Rd):** needs a single residence sewage treatment plant. Levi from Frank B. Taylor Engineering, Inc. is working on completing a Component 3s – Sewage Facilities Planning Module for her SRSTP. DEP requires an agreement between owner & municipality. Agreement has been signed & returned.
2. **On-Lot Sewage Permits (2026):**

Office:

1. **Building Permits (2026):**
2. **Road Bonds (2026):** Anegada Energy-Halterlein gas well heavy equipment use: need road videoed.
3. **Subdivision Plans:** Giesler family trust. See Public Sewer #13. Bauer/Stuchal plan under County review.
4. **Outside spigot:**

5. **Drop slot**: Bill installed new outside drop slot over the old slot & insulated the hole in the wall. Will finish inside later.
6. **Outside basement doors**: Will paint second coat when warmer.

Municipal Garage: Doors on old shed - Framing is complete, need to get the metal plates.

Butler County Use Fee Grant Application: Close out report sent to the BCI Bank in August. \$50,000 grant is to reimburse the General Fund. County is to process by mid-February.

EMC/Weather – Emergency Management Coordinator:

EMS QRS Agencies: Harrisville VFC will be the designated QRS agency once they report that they have completed their licensure.

Anegada Energy: Will provide Mercer Twp. with copies of all permits & are obtaining a road bond (good for 6 months) for work being done along Shields Rd from the well pad to Route 173.

“For Love of the Lost”/Fish property: Solicitor is proceeding with enforcing agreement d/t increase in junk vehicles. Petition for Sanctions & Contempt filed on 2-3-2026. Petition to be presented to the judge on 2-19-26.

200 Shields Road: Escrow has been depleted to cover legal & engineering costs. Need to replenish.

Mercer Township, Butler County/Ag Security Area: W. Long researched. Would like to create an Ag. Security Council. Before we can update records, we need to create a committee of 1 supervisor, 3 farmers & 1 resident (non-farmer). Anyone interested in volunteering should call Bill for more information. Request for volunteers will be on the website & in the spring newsletter.

Harrisville VFC: ATV Ride Agreement-Harrisville VFC was granted permission to use Twp. roads for an ATV fundraiser ride. Liability Waiver has been received. *Update: tentative date: October 10.*

Centertown Road Curve: Received a call asking if we would install a guardrail on the sharp curve to help keep vehicles from exiting the road & driving into the pasture. Supervisors discussed a few options. John will contact our engineer for direction to help make a decision.

Tri-County Clean Up Day 2026: We requested to schedule for Saturday, May 16: 7 am – Noon. They have several others scheduled that same day and want to know if we can do it May 9th instead.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion to adopt **Resolution #26-0216-01** Disposition of Records:

2024 Plow Truck: Interested in purchasing a laser guide to help with plow edge guidance. Cost is approx. \$2,000.00. **Motion** to purchase one laser guide for the new plow truck from General Fund:

Boom Mower: Discuss purchasing a used boom mower to replace our current one that is very old & in need of replacement. **Motion** to research & purchase a good condition used Boom Mower at a cost (including all transfer expenses) not to exceed \$90,000.00 from Capital Reserve:

COSTARS Salt Contract for 2026-2027: Deadline is March 15, 2026. Need to decide tonnage. Must purchase 60% of contract. Cannot exceed 140% of contract. **Motion** to contract for 125 tons (75 tons min / 175 tons max) of road salt through COSTARS for the 2026-2027 Season:

OTHER BUSINESS:

MEETINGS/CONFERENCES/TRAINING:

Butler Co. Municipal Outreach Mtg: (2-18-26) 2 pm.

Mercer Co. COG Mtg: (1-21-26) John attended.

ROAD REPORT:

1/1 - Bill plowed & salted.

1/11 - Bill checked roads in the AM & salted in the PM.

1/12 - Pete mixed anti-skid.

1/15 - Pete salted Twp in the AM & checked roads in the PM.

1/16 - Pete plowed problem areas & salted Twp.

1/17 - Bill plowed & salted Twp. Bill & Pete put the plow & spreader on the old truck.

1/18 - Bill checked roads in AM. Pete checked roads in PM.

1/19 - Bob checked roads & plowed/salted. Pete plowed & salted problem areas in the PM.

1/20 - Pete checked roads in AM, mixed antiskid, put a load of salt in the shed, picked up parts at Hunter's. Bill replaced serpentine belt on the new truck.

1/21 - Pete checked roads in AM & got old truck ready to haul anti-skid.

1/22 - Pete checked roads & plowed & salted Twp. Pete delivered load of anti-skid to Harrisville Boro. Bill mixed anti-skid.

1/23 - Pete mixed anti-skid.

1/25 - Bill, Pete & John all plowed roads many times. John cleaned intersections with loader.

1/26 - Pete checked roads in the AM & plowed/salted in the PM. Bill put tractor on blocks & aired tire.

1/27 - Pete plowed & salted problem areas in the AM & plowed Twp in the PM.

1/28 - Bill plowed & salted Twp in the AM. Bob cleaned out the cul-de-sac on Ethan Hill with loader. Pete checked roads & plowed drifts in the PM.

1/29 - Pete checked roads in the AM.

1/30 - Pete checked roads in the AM.

1/31 - John checked roads in the AM.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

General Fund:	\$59,317
Sewer Fund:	\$69,178
Liquid Fuels Fund:	\$94,829
Capital Reserve:	\$126,084
Escrow Fund:	<u>\$5,345</u>
Total:	\$354,753

Financial Report dated 1-16-26 to 2-12-26 received & reviewed by all Supervisors. **Motion** to approve the report & pay all invoices: Second:

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn meeting at pm: Second: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: