

AGENDA: SUPERVISORS MEETING, MERCER TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY, PA
January 20, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7: pm by

Members present:

Visitors:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All attendees (please stand).

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Motion to accept the December 16th, 2024 Regular & Budget Meeting minutes and the January 6th, 2025 Organization Meeting minutes as printed: Second:

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

OLD BUSINESS:

Kozy Rest Sewage Expansion: Received signed agreement with Marion Township & Kozy Rest. Invoice sent to Kozy Rest for 2024 expenses. Correspondence continues with the EADS engineer as planning and implementation proceeds. Responded to the question about the flow meter location after the December meeting: Keep at Twp. line. They have again requested the flow meter to be placed at Kozy Rest and would like us to reconsider. We will use Dan Goncz, Gannett Fleming as our third party Engineer as needed. Letters have been mailed to residents informing them of the work to be done and the main line tap installation.

Public Sewer:

1. **Incomplete connections/inspections (5):** D. Brown #2; K. Schumacher; R&M Holdings '09, LLC; McFeaters; Brandon (204 Boyers Rd).
2. **Delinquencies-Three or more months (9):** One is 3 months delinquent. Eight (6 owners) are delinquent by 5 months or more.
3. **Property Liens (10):** D. Brown (connect); F. Carroll-Gillen (debt); S. Heller (debt); V. Kennedy (3 properties)(debt); R/J. McFeaters (connect/debt); G. Mullett (debt)-auto pay; H. Russell (debt); 204 Boyers Rd (upset sale contested).
4. **Notice of Claim:** Filed on H. Russell estate. Waiting for final tax return to be filed and property to be sold. House still being lived in and billed at occupied rate with late fees.
5. **Sheriff Sale (5):** S. Heller (on hold-Mortgage Co. has filed Sheriff sale for January); R. McFeaters (on hold-judicial sale); & 3 V. Kennedy properties. Mr. Kennedy did not pay as agreed, as his payment was late.
6. **Auto Pay:** 46 of 120 accounts (38%) are set up.
7. **Delinquency Rate:** Total-8%; Severe-6.7%.
8. **Employee Discount:**
9. **Sewer Lateral Inspections:** Supervisors are to review documents and provide edits.
10. **Grinder Pumps:** John to report.
11. **Concrete Stanchions:** John to report.

Private Sewer:

1. **On-Lot Sewage Permits (2025):** Metzler (12-24-24)
2. **Holding Tanks:** Waiting for 3 agreements (Dollar General, Violante & Anglin) to be recorded and returned. Received call from J. Anglin (Frampton Rd property) who will be in Florida until the 2nd week in May. Asked if he can complete it when he returns.
3. **Alternate SEO:** Supervisors received email in Jan. from P. West, offering SEO services to the Twp. after Org. Mtg. was held. Will consider him for future use.

Municipal Office:

1. **Building Permits (2025):**

Municipal Garage:

1. New Truck:
2. Salt / Antiskid:

"For Love of the Lost"/Fish property: In Litigation. Solicitor is working on agreement.

EMC/Weather – Emergency Management Coordinator: Wishes to attend the PSATS conference in Hershey. Responded to resident report to Township of vehicle accident on Shields Rd on 1-15-24. 911 had not been notified, nor had Harrisville VFC. Found an abandoned older model pick-up truck in the ditch & tow truck was in process of removing it.

EMS QRS Agencies: Butler Co. 911 center has requested that municipalities designate a licensed agency to help respond to medical calls in our area. Harrisville VFC will be the designated QRS agency once they report that they have completed their licensure in 2025.

Allegheny Mineral Corp./White Oak Road Closure: Get update from Solicitor.

Station Road: Response to resident complaint of speeding and dangerous intersection. Emergency vehicle access to all structures to be addressed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Road Salt Contract (2024-2025):

Clean Up Day 2025: Received email from Tri County to schedule. Rates: \$700 hauling; \$85/ton disposal; \$50 fuel surcharge.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Harrisville VFC: Solicitor provided a letter to First National Bank in Slippery Rock to verify tax-exempt status for the new tanker truck loan.

MEETINGS/CONFERENCES/TRAINING:

Mercer Co. COG: ()

Butler Co. Municipal Outreach Mtg: (1-10-25) Armstrong provided discussion on Broadband Equity, Access & Deployment (BEAD). Sheriff Mike Slupe detailed duties of the office. Discussed CIT – Crisis Intervention Team. T. Sawl discussed the VRT – Veteran's Response Team, which is only the 2nd one currently active in PA.

Pine-Harrisville Authority: (1-14-25) John & Pete.

PSATS Conference: (May 4-7, 2025) W. Long & B. Grossman wish to attend. **Motion** to reimburse conference registration fees and travel expenses for W. Long & B. Grossman to attend the PSATS Annual Conference in Hershey, PA:

ROAD REPORT:

12/2/24-Salted the Twp.

12/3/24-Checked the roads; Bill & I put plow on truck.

12/5/24-Plowed & salted the Twp. in the AM; Plowed drifts in the PM.
12/6/24-Plowed & salted the Twp.; called for sand; John mixed.
12/9/24-Unloaded truck; cleaned & greased auger; put battery tender on boom mower.
12/11/24-John & I did a Pa1Call-135 Shields Rd; moved equipment from the new shed to the old shed.
12/12/24-Checked roads.
12/23/24-I mixed antiskid and greased the loader.
12/24/24-Plowed & salted the Twp.
12/26/24-John & I took plow off truck & took to Hunters for repairs.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

General Fund:	\$44,985
Sewer Fund:	\$69,017
Liquid Fuels Fund:	\$87,335
Capital Reserve:	\$75,674
Escrow Fund:	<u>\$5,017</u>
Total:	\$282,028

Motion to accept the Financial Report & pay bills due through the next month: Second:

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

Respectfully submitted: