

AGENDA: SUPERVISORS MEETING, MERCER TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY, PA
May 19, 2025

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

Members present:

Visitors:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All attendees (please stand).

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Motion to accept the April 21, 2025 Meeting as printed: Second:

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

OLD BUSINESS:

Kozy Rest Sewage Expansion: Possibly 3-6 months before complete. Waiting for DEP review. There are still several steps to be completed. We will have our 3rd party inspector check the line before we approve.

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 (10):** Five are 3-4 months delinquent. Five are delinquent by 5 months or more. (2 of the 5 are paying as arranged.)
3. **Property Liens (7):** D. Brown (connect); F. Carroll-Gillen (debt); S. Heller (debt); R/J. McFeaters (connect/debt); G. Mullett (debt); H. Russell (debt); 204 Boyers Rd (connect/abandon-upset sale contested).
4. **Notice of Claim:** Filed on H. Russell estate. Waiting for estate to be sold.
5. **Sheriff Sale (2):** S. Heller (sold 5-16-25); R. McFeaters (on hold-Judicial sale).
6. **Auto Pay:** 45 of 119 accounts (38%) are set up.
7. **Delinquency Rate:** Total-8%; Severe-3.7%.
8. **Sewer Lateral Inspections:** 623 W. Mercer St. Ext. (4-28-25) – passed.
9. **Grinder Pumps:** Marvin to check on last one sent for repair. J. Bennett to follow up. Office has not received invoice.
10. **Concrete Stanchions:**

Private Sewer:

1. **On-Lot Sewage Permits (2025):** B. Snyder; J. Zahn; S. Sammarco (Ken McMurdy-agent).
2. **Holding Tanks:** Waiting for 3 agreements (Dollar General, Violante & Anglin) to be recorded & returned. Recorder of Deeds office runs about 2-3 months behind. Office will follow up.

Office:

1. **Building Permits (2025):** B. Rider (roof solar); D. Reich (house/garage); C. Haring (pole barn); S. Pierce/J. Krenke (above ground pool); 4330 WFH cell tower (back-up generator/concrete pad); G. Shreve (2) (demo old trailer, new doublewide); J. Bennett Jr (pool); D. Kellogg (house); Tooley (trailer demo).
2. **Road Bonds:** Blue Ox Timber (Whitaker/Centertown).
3. **Subdivision Plans:**

Municipal Garage: There is still a light issue with the truck that W. Long will address.

CDL Program: New CDL employees must pass a pre-employment drug screen & consent to a full query of the FMCSA Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse prior to offer of employment.

2025 Paving Project: Wiest Asphalt, Inc. was the Bid Recipient for the 2025 Mercer Twp. Paving Project at a bid total of: \$98,558.58. Letters have been mailed to all bidders. All bonding and paperwork has been received at the office.

Butler County Use Fee Grant Application: Attended meeting on April 22, 2025. Awaiting notification.

EMC/Weather – Emergency Management Coordinator:

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.

Anegada Energy: They will provide Mercer Twp. with copies of all permits & will obtain a road bond prior to any work being done in the Twp.

“For Love of the Lost”/Fish property: In Litigation. Solicitor is handling the agreement. Resident paid the fine set to help recover legal costs incurred by the Twp.

219 Browntown Rd. culvert: Water crosses the road & ponds at the end of the driveway. It is a large icy area in winter. Supervisors will evaluate & come up with a solution.

227 Browntown Rd. tree: Dead, leaning tree appears to be in the Twp. ROW. Supervisors will evaluate.

NEW BUSINESS:

McDougall Private Sewage - Small Flow Treatment System: **Motion** to sign Resolution #25-0519-01 – RESOLUTION FOR PLAN REVISION FOR NEW LAND DEVELOPMENT approving a revision to the “Official Sewage Facilities Plan” for Travis McDougall to install a new treatment facility:

Motion to Sign McDougall Small Flow Treatment Facility agreement:

OTHER BUSINESS:

Newsletter: Has been mailed.

Clean Up Day: May 17, 2025: 7 am – Noon.

Primary Election Day: Tuesday, May 20, 2025. Office will be closed.

MEETINGS/CONFERENCES/TRAINING:

Butler Co. Municipal Outreach Mtg: (5-12-25) Updates provided by Commissioners and PennDOT.

Pine-Harrisville Authority: (5-13-25) John attended. Harrisville plans to make improvements to their overall sewage system. The authority will apply for a PennVest loan with Harrisville as the sponsor. Available grants will be applied for, as well. Mercer Twp. is responsible for a percentage of the costs for the one pump station servicing our customers along Route 58. Marion Twp. will share a percentage of this cost, as well, once Kozy Rest Campground has been connected.

BCATO 2025 Spring Convention: (5-15-25) Nikki attended.

Mercer Co. COG: (5-21-25) John will attend.

ROAD REPORT:

4/10/25: Opened gate at STP, checked roads for winter damage.

4/11/25: Got both trucks washed, took spreader off old truck.

4/12/25: Fixed new truck's tailgate with Bill.

4/23/25: Got gas, charged mower battery and mowed part of STP. John helped.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

General Fund: \$133,992

Sewer Fund: \$65,884

Liquid Fuels Fund: \$149,429

Capital Reserve: \$75,736

Escrow Fund: \$5,017

Total: \$430,058

Harrisville Boro: Still owes for 3rd load of anti-skid, invoice dated 2-18-25. Reminder statement and past due invoice mailed beginning of May.

Capital Reserve: Transfer from General Fund:

CD: Looking into terms & rates.

VISA: Mailed letter asking to cancel 3 supervisor cards and switch credit line to one master account.

Financial Report dated 4-18-25 to 5-15-25 received & reviewed by all Supervisors. **Motion** to accept the Financial Report & pay all expenses: Second:

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

Respectfully submitted: