

**AGENDA: SUPERVISORS MEETING, MERCER TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY, PA
March 18, 2024**

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

Members present:

Visitors present:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All attendees (please stand).

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Motion to accept the February 19, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes as printed: Second:

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: Dan Reich (Questions about subdivision, etc.)

OLD BUSINESS:

Kozy Rest Sewage Expansion:

1. Still waiting for payment. Will follow up.
2. Responded on 2-26-24 to a phone call from a Campground Rd. resident asking if he would have the opportunity to connect to the sewage once it is connected from Kozy Rest. Answer: No, as it will be a private metered line owned by Kozy Rest up to the connection into the existing Mercer Township line.
3. Hoping to connect soon, possibly at the end of March.

Public Sewer:

1. **Incomplete connections/inspections (5): Updated:** D. Brown #2 (April 15 deadline); K. Schumacher; R&M Holdings '09, LLC; McFeaters; 204 Boyers Rd (to be capped by new owners).
2. **Delinquencies-Three or more months (13): Updated:** None sent for collection after 3/1/2024 invoicing. Nine (9) properties (7 owners) currently are delinquent by 5 months or more. Three (3) are 3-4 months delinquent. Improved from last month.
3. **Property Liens (10): Unchanged:** D. Brown (connect); F. Carroll-Gillen (debt); J. Green (debt); S. Heller (debt); V. Kennedy (3 properties) (debt); R/J. McFeaters (connect/debt); G. Mullett (debt); H. Russell (debt).
4. **Notice of Claim:** Filed on H. Russell estate.
5. **Sheriff Sale (3/3): Unchanged:** J. Green; S. Heller; R. McFeaters; & 3 V. Kennedy properties. V. Kennedy properties are on hold as long as he pays as agreed on time.
6. **Auto Pay:** 36 of 120 accounts (30%) are now set up on auto pay.
7. **Delinquency Rate:** Total-13%; Severe-7.5%.
8. **Grove City Lateral Inspection Program:** Solicitor sent advertisement to the Butler Eagle. Motion to adopt ordinance No. 79: Second:
9. **Grinder Pumps:** None out for repair.

Private Sewer:

1. **Pelletier property:** Pelletier's delivered check for \$1,000 escrow. G. Pelletier informed the office he would call SEO for inspection.
2. **On-Lot Sewage Permits (2024):** 3 - A. Burnett; T. McDougall; D. Kellogg.

Municipal Office:

1. **Building Permits (2024)**: 2 - J. DiSanti; E. Meier.
2. **Work Session Day**: Do we want to schedule a day to spruce up the office building (trim, windows, bench, etc.) and grounds before the election on April 23?

Municipal Garage:

1. **New Dump Truck**: Delivery date est. May or June, 2024.
2. **Columbia Gas**: Service cancellation scheduled for: 3/13/24.
3. **Dusk to dawn light**: Bill installed on 3/2/24.

CEO:

1. **"For Love of the Lost"/Fish property**: Solicitor produced correspondence, with the ordinances attached, concerning this property for the CEO to deliver to the resident.
2. **Peters/Combine property**:

EMC/Weather - Emergency Management Coordinator: B. Grossman has accepted the role of Mercer Township's EMC. Need to get paperwork completed at the office.

Shields Rd. Tree: Solicitor will file a complaint with the PUC.

D. Reich Right-of-Way: D. Reich wants to expand the right-of-way on his property (Harmony Road access) and wanted to verify he was following Township standards and inspections. He will contact our engineering group and they will provide the standards.

NEW BUSINESS:

Harrisville Community Day (July 4th) Ad: Black and White ads: \$25 for ¼ page; \$35 for ½ page. **Motion** to donate \$_____ for an ad:

Update of Ordinances: Staff pulled several old ordinances to be reviewed and updated.

2024 Newsletter: Motion to approve the 2024 newsletter to be printed and mailed by : Seconded by :

OTHER BUSINESS:

Resolution Update: We need to update the Resolution with Berkheimer to allow the current secretary/treasurer to act as liaison between the Township and Berkheimer. **Motion** to adopt Resolution #24-0318-01 allowing the secretary/treasurer of Mercer Township to act as liaison between the Township and Berkheimer: Second:

MEETING REPORTS:

BCATO: (3-7-24) Nothing new to date. Getting ready for the county convention (May 16th) and the state convention (April 14-17th).

Butler Co. Municipal Outreach Meeting: (3-12-24) Discussed 2024 Can-Am games to be held in Butler Co. in July. Looking for sponsors and participants. Info on website: ButlerCanAm2024.com. Proceeds benefit Special Olympics. West Penn Power discussed the process of power

restoration after storm outages. Armstrong followed with the same topic. Commissioners had a very busy week in Harrisburg and Washington DC.

Pine-Harrisville Authority: (3-12-24)

ROAD REPORT:

2/17/24: Bill plowed and salted;
2/19/24: Took truck to Faull's to set up appt, cleaned spreader box, went to Christie Diesel to set up account, shoveled/salted the office walks;
2/20/24: Took truck to Faull's for repairs, vacuumed the truck and loader, cleaned windows in truck;
2/27/24: Open gate at STP for Pumpman to get in for pump inspection;
2/29/24: Checked the roads.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

General Fund:	\$104,196
Sewer Fund:	\$69,520
Liquid Fuels Fund:	\$143,827
Capital Reserve:	\$124,572
Escrow Fund:	<u>\$4,517</u>
Total:	\$446,632

Motion to pay bills: Second:

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