

MERCER TOWNSHIP UPDATE!
APRIL 2022

GROVE CITY AREA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION: GCAFCU is supplying a shredder truck at the Harrisville Legion **Saturday, May 14th from 9 am to noon**. They will also accept non-perishable food items and monetary donations for veterans in need. There is information on the website at www.mercertwpbutler.com.

2022 CLEANUP DAY: Cleanup day is scheduled for **Saturday, May 21st from 7 am to noon** at the **OLD TOWNSHIP BUILDING**, 152 Boomerang Rd. Enter Boomerang Rd. at the **North** end and exit at the **South** end. Acceptable items include stoves, refrigerators and other white goods, furniture, and lawn mowers. **Unacceptable Items:** Liquids of any kinds, hazardous materials, batteries, nothing over 5 feet in length (except furniture), construction debris (drywall, cement blocks, etc.), dirt, sod, grass, rocks, stones, tires, household garbage. **WE CANNOT ACCEPT TV'S OR ELECTRONIC ITEMS.** Staples has free electronic recycling all year:

<https://www.staples.com/sbd/cre/noheader/sustainability-center/recycling-services/electronics/>

Residents are limited to one pick-up truckload per address. Place appliances at rear of truck to be removed first. **For safety purposes**, please keep children inside the vehicle at cleanup site! Any questions, please call 724-735-2705 or email mercertownship@zoominternet.net.

2022 PAVING PROJECTS: Our paving projects this year will be Ethan Hill Dr. and Shields Rd. from Route #8 to the gas well on the Halterlein property, costing over \$140,000. Also, the driveway and parking lot of the Township building will be paved this summer.

BROWNTOWN RAILROAD BRIDGE: This bridge is to be repaired June/July of this year. The railroad does not believe closing the bridge will be necessary. The last repair was in 1995.

NEW EQUIPMENT: After spending close to \$10,000 in repairs in 2021, we have purchased a new JCB 407 Wheel Loader to be delivered sometime this year at the cost of \$54,584.85.

SEWER NEWS: Of the 124 residents that are part of the systems in Forestville and Harrisville, we currently have seven residents not connected to the sewer system and/or not inspected. Legal action is on-going to handle those properties not connected/inspected. If you would prefer to receive your sewer bills by email instead of USPS to reduce costs, please contact the Township office.

BUILDING RENTAL: The Township Community Room is available to rent for small functions. Any interest, please call the office for more details.

DROP BOX: There is a drop-box located on the front of the building for anyone needing to deliver paperwork, payments, etc. Any Township business can be completed by calling the office and making an appointment at 724-735-2705.

PERSONNEL: Last year we announced the need for a part-time office clerk. In June, we hired Nikki Ciochetto as the part-time clerk. She will be handling the sewer billing as well as additional office responsibilities. Nikki has been a great addition to the Township staff.

Martha Hemmerlin was elected as a Township auditor beginning in 2004. For 18 years she has given her time to auditing the Township books and decided not to seek another term. Thank you, Martha, for your dedication to the Township.

Heidi Yasment is our newly elected Township auditor for the next term. Please welcome Heidi to the auditing staff. Our other auditors are Karen Kellogg and Sandy Snyder.

WEBSITE: Our website address is <https://mercertwpbutler.com>. Butler County recycling, Butler County Tourism, items from our Representative Tim Bonner, and additional news is available at your fingertips. Monthly meeting agendas and meeting minutes are available, also. Building permits can be downloaded and completed before coming to the office.

Mercer Township Supervisors are your managers for the Township. Please continue to supply us with feedback for future direction throughout the year.

Your Township Supervisors,

Rick Stuchal – Chairman

Pete Treese – Road Master

John Bennett, Jr. – Vice-Chairman