

AGENDA: SUPERVISORS MEETING - MERCER TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY, PA

June 16, 2025

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

Members present:

Visitors: J. Kalp, EADS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All attendees (please stand).

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Motion to accept the May 19, 2025 Meeting as printed: Second:

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

OLD BUSINESS:

Kozy Rest Sewage Expansion: See “**Meetings/Conferences/Training**” section for meeting notes. We received a proposal from Dan Goncz at Gannett Fleming to provide the 3rd party inspection - for review & discussion.

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):** Four are 3-4 months delinquent. Six are delinquent by 5 months or more. (2 are paying as arranged, 1 received a final warning before collection.)
3. **Property Liens (7):** D. Brown (connect/debt); F. Carroll-Gillen (debt); S. Heller (debt); R/J. McFeaters (connect/debt); G. Mullett (debt); H. Russell (debt); 204 Boyers Rd (connect/abandon).
4. **Notice of Claim:** Filed on H. Russell estate. Still waiting for estate to be settled. Office received a call from a realtor asking for information.
5. **Sheriff Sale (2):** S. Heller (sold at Sheriff Sale: 5-16-25); R. McFeaters (Solicitor is working with the Tax Claim office to assist with the Judicial Sale).
6. **Auto Pay:** 45 of 119 accounts (38%) are set up.
7. **Delinquency Rate:** Total-12%; Severe-4%.
8. **Sewer Lateral Inspections:**
9. **Grinder Pumps:** Marvin to check on last one sent for repair. J. Bennett to follow up.
10. **Concrete Stanchions:** John talked to Marvin. If he gives us a count, we'll have the concrete blocks delivered to the STP for him.
11. **Pump #2:** Evaluated & cleaned on 5-2-25. No report or invoice received by the office until 6-3-25.
12. **Harrisville Borough Agreement:** Reviewing. Will be revised when Marion/Kozy Rest connect.

Private Sewer:

1. **On-Lot Sewage Permits (2025):** B. Snyder; J. Zahn; S. Sammarco (Ken McMurdy-agent).
2. **Holding Tanks:** 3 agreements (Dollar General, Violante & Anglin) to be recorded & returned. Office waiting for responses.

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), S. Fisher (home); R. Young (garage).
2. **Road Bonds:** Blue Ox Timber (Whitaker/Centertown). Road damage has been noted. Will not release bond until fixed. Photos will be provided to the office for follow up when project is completed.

3. **Subdivision Plans**: J. Bon – waiting for drawings to be delivered.

Municipal Garage: Light issue with the new truck was addressed. New truck needs to go back to Hunters for repair. Old truck also to Hunter's for repair.

CDL Program: Supervisors need to sign & return all consent forms for office records.

2025 Paving Project: Wiest Asphalt, Inc. is the Bid Recipient for the 2025 Mercer Twp. Paving Project at a bid total of: \$98,558.58. Pete spoke to Wiest. They plan to pave June 16-18.

Butler County Use Fee Grant Application: Received notification that we will receive a \$50,000 grant upon paving project completion. \$50,000 will be used from General Fund to pay for the paving project which will later be reimbursed by the grant. Balance of project will be paid from Liquid Fuels.

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. Office has requested an update from HVFC.

Anegada Energy: Will provide Mercer Twp. with copies of all permits & will obtain a road bond prior to any work being done in the Twp. Received notice dated 6-10-25 of intent to apply for coverage under Erosion & Sediment Control General Permit (ESCGP-4) for Earth Disturbance Associated with Oil & Gas Exploration, etc. from the PA DEP. Also received noticed dated 6-10-25 (addressed to Mercer County Board of Commissioners) of intent to apply for coverage under the "Joint Application for PA Water Obstruction & Encroachment permit & US Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 Permit.

"For Love of the Lost"/Fish property: In Litigation. Solicitor is handling the agreement. Solicitor has received signatures for both Mr. Fish & For Love of the Lost. Twp. Supervisors shall review & agree to sign this agreement. **Motion** to accept & sign the agreement for the Fish/Love of the Lost property clean up enforcement:

227 Browntown Rd. tree: Has been removed along with a second hazard tree along Browntown Rd.

NEW BUSINESS:

200 Shields Road: Request for estimate to hook into Forestville STP. Supervisors need to investigate extending the public sewage line & determine if we will do so.

McTighe Storage: Mailed letter & also spoke to Mr. McTighe regarding the plugged culvert on Browntown Rd. He stated he will call someone to have it replaced.

OTHER BUSINESS:

MEETINGS/CONFERENCES/TRAINING:

PSATS Conference: (May 4-7, 2025) Bill attended.

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

Kozy Rest Pre Construction Mtg: (6-2-25) Nikki attended. All interested parties discussed & reviewed the planned timeline & each entity's roles to be completed. Construction is scheduled to begin approx. June 23rd

& conclude by Labor Day. Residents will be contacted near the end of the project to be given instructions for requesting tap location preferences.

Butler Co. Municipal Outreach Mtg: (6-10-25) Updates provided by Commissioners. Discussion about new cell phone law in effect 6-5-25. Statistics show more deaths now occur from cell phone use than drunk driving.

Pine-Harrisville Authority: (?)

ROAD REPORT:

5/14/25-Mowed STP & checked sign on Shields.

5/15/25-Replaced speed limit sign on Shields.

5/16/25-Bill & I checked tree on Browntown. Also checked water problem at Rider's.

5/17/25-Twp Clean Up: John, Bill Greg & Pete worked.

5/19/25-Got load of cold patch, changed bucket on loader, loaded old cold patch, Greg, Bob & I repaired potholes.

5/20/25-Bob, Greg & I repaired potholes.

5/22/25-Checked roads for flood damage. Bill & I put boom mower back together & put charger on grader.

5/23/25-Bob, Greg & I cleaned ditches on Browntown, Sutherland & Whitaker.

5/28/25-Bill & I took old truck to Hunters for repair.

5/29/25-Greg & I mowed Shields, Glacial Till & part of Harmony.

5/30/25-Greg & I mowed Browntown & Prairie.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

General Fund:	\$140,994
Sewer Fund:	\$61,387
Liquid Fuels Fund:	\$150,138
Capital Reserve:	\$75,752
Escrow Fund:	<u>\$5,017</u>
Total:	\$433,288

Harrisville Boro: Paid for 3rd load of anti-skid, invoice dated 2-18-25 on 5-23-25.

VISA: Supervisors' three cards have been cancelled. Will activate the main card to be used while still dealing with customer service to remove Lori Giesler's name from the main card & switch to Nikki Ciochetto. Need to sign documents provided. **Motion** to sign Business Officer Resolution Form #25-0616-01 providing a list of authorized officers to TCM Bank for making changes to this VISA credit card business account & also the Business Account Maintenance Form with a credit limit of \$20,000: Second:

Financial Report dated 5-16-25 to 6-12-25 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: