

**AGENDA: SUPERVISORS MEETING, MERCER TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY, PA
December 16, 2024**

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 November 18, 2024 Budget and Regular Meeting minutes as printed: Second:

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Lisa Bauer: sign forms.

OLD BUSINESS:

Kozy Rest Sewage Expansion: Still waiting for signed agreement to be returned with signatures from Marion Township & Kozy Rest. Invoice sent to Kozy Rest for 2024 expenses. Kozy Rest has begun submitting shop drawings and submittals for review for the sanitary sewer extension project. Question about the flow meter location: Twp. line vs. Kozy Rest property.

Public Sewer:

1. **Incomplete connections/inspections (5):** Discuss: D. Brown #2; K. Schumacher; R&M Holdings '09, LLC; McFeaters; Brandon (204 Boyers Rd).
2. **Delinquencies-Three or more months (9):** Updated: One is 3 months delinquent. Eight (6 owners) are delinquent by 5 months or more.
3. **Property Liens (10):** Unchanged: D. Brown (connect)-states he will be connected by end of year; F. Carroll-Gillen (debt)-agreed to our requested terms but did not comply; 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:** Unchanged: Filed on H. Russell estate. Waiting for final tax return to be filed and property to be sold. House still being lived in.
5. **Sheriff Sale (5):** Updated: S. Heller (on hold-Mortgage Co. has filed Sheriff sale as well); R. McFeaters (on hold-judicial sale); & 3 V. Kennedy properties. Letter and account details mailed to Mr. Kennedy, his attorney and Twp. solicitor in response to his meeting attendance last month.
6. **Auto Pay:** 45 of 120 accounts (38%) are set up.
7. **Delinquency Rate:** Total-11.7%; Severe-6.7%.
8. **Sewer Lateral Inspections:** 4148 WFH on 12-4-24.
9. **General Residential Services Inspections:** Finally received several invoices on 12-9-24 for inspection services completed in 2023 & 2024. Are these to be invoiced at the owner's expense?
10. **Grinder Pumps:** Alarm went off on 604 W. Mercer St. Ext. Marvin notified. Received invoice from Tepco for one pump repair. (Ask Marvin to report to the office which pumps he switches out.)
11. **Emergency Generator:**
12. **Concrete Stanchions:** Marvin will investigate cost to replace & provide a quote. Wants to complete before winter.

Private Sewer:

1. **On-Lot Sewage Permits (2024)**: (6) - A. Burnett; T. McDougall; D. Kellogg; S. Fisher; S. Lennon; G. Hindman.
2. **Holding Tanks**: Waiting for 3 agreements to be recorded and returned.

Municipal Office:

1. **Building Permits (2024)**: (16) - J. DiSanti (house); E. Meier (house/garage); L. Fulmer (garage); K. & R. Boozel (garage); Crossroads-North Tower (cell tower); King Autos (building reno.); D. Reich (machine shed); J. DiSanti (pool); J. Crum (solar panels); B. Diamond (solar panels); C. Linamen (modular home); A. Esquenazi (pole barn); C. Stuchal (ag. bldg. add.); K. & R. Boozel (house); R. Shields (trailer demo); W. Wick (barn demo).

Municipal Garage:

1. **New Dump Truck**: Undercoating applied. Welded the spreader attachment on. Office is investigating a statement received on 12-10-24 from Hunter Truck for an invoice never received.

"For Love of the Lost"/Fish property: In Litigation.

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 in 2025.

Allegheny Mineral Corp./White Oak Road Closure: Solicitor to send updated proposal to AMC.

Station Road: Response to resident complaint of speeding and dangerous intersection: Close the road at the Route 8 intersection?

Fee Schedule rates: 2025 rates need to be determined for adoption at Jan. Org mtg.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance #82 - Supervisor Meeting Compensation: **Motion** to advertise Ordinance #82 for adoption at the January 2025 Organization Meeting:
Second:

2025 Meeting Notice: **Motion** to advertise the 2025 Meetings Notice: Second:

Auditor/Employee Meeting Pay: increase?

2025 Employees: Review.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Kellogg, 1 Lot & Residual, #24230 Plan Review:

MEETINGS/CONFERENCES/TRAINING:

Mercer Co. COG: ()

Butler Co. Municipal Outreach Mtg: (12-3-24) County Commissioners all spoke briefly on the election, budget, growing population, and local events. D. Rottinghaus spoke on the BMH/Independence Health System integration and financial status. Doing ok financially, compared to UPMC. RSV, flu and covid vaccines are available. Pneumonia is on the rise. Get evaluated (children especially) and get on antibiotics before visiting relatives if ill. Alliance for Nonprofit Resources (ANR) presented information related to cyber-attacks and cyber security and offered resources.

ROAD REPORT:

11/3/24: To Slippery Rock to p/u tape to create an overflow parking lot for election day.
11/4/24: Hauled stone to office to fix an approach to the overflow parking lot.
11/5/24: Met with Cory Shaffer (PennDOT) to measure roads for paving and budget purpose.
11/16/24: Bill & I did a PalCall on Boyers Rd.
11/19/24: Bill & I took new truck to Plain Grove to have it undercoated. I also checked on 361 Frampton Rd.
11/20/24: Bill & I picked up the truck.
11/22/24: Checked roads. Took truck to Faull's Welding to get brackets welded on the body. Picked up later.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

General Fund:	\$64,620
Sewer Fund:	\$68,634
Liquid Fuels Fund:	\$87,316
Capital Reserve:	\$75,657
Escrow Fund:	<u>\$5,017</u>
Total:	\$301,244

Received a copy of the PA Dept of L&I SWIF invoice for the Harrisville VFC workers compensation insurance for 10/03/24 - 10/03/25 that we pay half of from Harrisville Borough. Our portion is \$4,279.05.

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: