

MERCER TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY
4629 WILLIAM FLYNN HWY, PO BOX 380, HARRISVILLE, PA 16038
MEETING MINUTES – February 17, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by: J. Bennett, Jr. **Members present:** W. Long; E. Treese; N. Ciochetto. **Visitors:** None. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:** **Motion** to accept the January 20, 2025 Meeting minutes as printed: W. Long. Second: E. Treese. All in favor, motion carried. **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:** None. **OLD BUSINESS:** **Kozy Rest Sewage Expansion:** Awaiting payment for invoice sent in December to Kozy Rest for 2024 expenses. Responded to the question about the flow meter location after the Jan. mtg.: Keep at Twp. line. We will use Dan Goncz, Gannett Fleming as our third party Engineer as needed. Will need to sign an Addendum to Agreement between Kozy Rest, Marion & Mercer Twps. to correct corporation name. **Public Sewer: Incomplete connections/inspections (5). Delinquencies-Three or more months (9). Property Liens (10). Notice of Claim:** Filed on H. Russell estate. Waiting for estate attorney to file final tax return. **Sheriff Sale (5). Auto Pay:** 46 of 119 accounts (39%). **Delinquency Rate:** Total-9%; Severe-6%. **Sewer Lateral Inspections:** Supervisors to review documents & provide edits. **Grinder Pumps:** Marvin to check on the last one sent for repair. **Concrete Stanchions:** Marvin to address in the spring. J. Bennett Jr. contacted our engineer to see if there's a different product we can use. Will check if others are having the same issue. There is a new stainless steel product we can purchase. Engineer to send pricing. **Noreco:** Rep. called asking to speak to someone at the treatment plant about products used. Referred to Marvin. **Sewage Line Ownership:** Our engineer asked who officially owns the Mercer Township sewage lines that connect to Harrisville & Grove City through the Pine-Harrisville Authority. Solicitor is investigating. **Private Sewer: On-Lot Sewage Permits (2025): 0. Holding Tanks:** Waiting for 3 agreements (Dollar General, Violante & Anglin) to be recorded & returned. Received call from J. Anglin (Frampton Rd property) who will be in Florida until the 2nd week in May. Will complete it when he returns. Office to send letters to other 2 asking for updates on their progress. **Municipal Office: Building Permits (2025): 0. Road Bonds: 0. Municipal Garage:** New Truck: Decals are peeling off in the cold weather. Will fix in Spring. **Salt / Antiskid:** Have received 4 loads of salt. Can order 1 more load (22 ton) under our contract. Will order tomorrow. Have delivered 2 loads to Harrisville. Will deliver another load tomorrow. 2025/2026 contract has been signed & submitted for 100 tons. **"For Love of the Lost"/Fish property:** In Litigation. Solicitor sent an agreement to be signed. Supervisors want to modify some wording. **Motion** to accept the agreement with requested modifications: J. Bennett, Jr. Second: W. Long. All in favor, motion carried. **EMC/Weather – Emergency Management Coordinator:** No report. **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. **Allegheny Mineral Corp./White Oak Road Closure:** Agreement accepted by AMC. Solicitor will advertise for Township adoption. **Motion** to have Solicitor advertise "Addendum to Agreement" for adoption at the March 17, 2025 Board Meeting: W. Long. Second: J. Bennett, Jr. All in favor, motion carried. **Station Road:** Speed humps: J. Bennett, Jr. will contact engineer. **NEW BUSINESS: Motion** to adopt Resolution #25-02-17-1 Disposition of Records: E. Treese. Second: W. Long. All in favor, motion carried. **OTHER BUSINESS:** Township Accounts Audit performed by MPB on 1-29-25. Report has been completed & sent to DCED & Butler County Clerk of Courts. Advertisement sent to Butler Eagle. Liquid Fuels Audit performed on 2-13-25. **MEETINGS/CONFERENCES/TRAINING: Butler Co. Municipal Outreach Mtg:** (2-18-25) Will report at next mtg. **ROAD REPORT:** 1/2/25 Checked roads. Salted Twp. Bill & I went to Hunters to p/u truck. 1/3/25 Plowed & salted Twp. Fueled truck, mixed antiskid, fueled loader. John plowed & salted the PM run. 1/4/25 Bill plowed & salted Twp (AM). Bill plowed & salted hills, turns & intersections (PM). 1/5/25 Bill checked roads & repaired left plow light. 1/6/25 Plowed & salted Twp (AM), put away loads of salt. Plowed & salted Twp (PM). 1/7/25 Plowed & salted Twp. Fueled truck. Plowed drifts in PM. Marcie took me to Hunters to p/u truck. 1/8/25 Checked roads in the PM. 1/9/25 John checked roads. 1/10/25 Took load of antiskid to Harrisville Boro. Cleaned bed. John mixed antiskid. 1/11/25 John plowed & salted Twp. 1/13/25 Checked roads, plowed drifts. 1/14/25 Salted Twp. 1/15/25 Checked roads. 1/16/25 Plowed & salted Twp, cleaned out salt bin & put away load of salt. 1/17/25 Checked roads, plowed & salted Twp. 1/18/25 Bill mixed load of antiskid. 1/19/25 John checked roads in AM. Bill plowed & salted Twp. & worked on loader. 1/20/25 Plowed & salted Twp, mixed load of antiskid, put load of salt away, checked drifts. 1/21/25 Plowed drifts on Centertown, Harmony, & Shields. Delivered load of antiskid to Harrisville Boro. 1/23/25 Mixed load of antiskid. 1/24/25 Plowed & salted the Twp. 1/28/25 Checked roads & plowed drifts. 1/29/25 Checked roads, plowed & salted Twp. 1/30/25 John plowed Harrisville VFC lot. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** General Fund: \$54,125, Sewer Fund: \$71,198, Liquid Fuels Fund: \$83,059, Capital Reserve: \$75,690, Escrow Fund: \$5,017 Total: \$289,089. Financial Report dated 1-18-25 to 2-13-25 received & reviewed by all Supervisors. **Motion** to accept the Financial Report & pay all expenses: E. Treese. Second: W. Long. All in favor, motion carried. **Motion** to pay all invoices from Compass Minerals for the purchase of road salt & from Kellogg Trucking for the purchase of antiskid from the **Liquid Fuels Fund:** E. Treese. Second: W. Long. All in favor, motion carried. **ADJOURNMENT: Motion** to adjourn meeting at 7:50 pm: W. Long. Second: E. Treese. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:
Nikki L. Ciochetto, Secretary/Treasurer

