



JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP

JUNE 2018 Newsletter

Road Foreman's Report

Chairman Cypher read the report submitted by Road Foreman William Foertsch. The new 2018 F550 has been ordered; delivery is expected after the New Year. Repairs for the 2016 chip seal was to begin June 11th, but the weather has delayed it. Repairs to the 2017 paving project are hoped to be done by mid-July. Eight (8) catch basins and cross pipes on Great Belt Rd. were completed last week, as well as a catch basin and cross pipe on Jones Rd. 700 ft. of under drain along West Jefferson Rd. should be completed by Tues., June 12; the excavator rental was a big help.

The second berm mowing should be done by the July meeting. Both mowers are to be in use this time.

The foreman asked for approval to bid aggregates (anti-skid, limestone, riprap and gravel). The Supervisors voted to authorize advertisement for bid of aggregates.

A letter was received from PennDOT, stating that they were provided limited funds to provide treatments (signage, etc.) on local roads to reduce run-off-the-road crashes. They have identified Bonniebrook Rd. and Fisher Rd. for treatments indicated on the drawings provided. If we do not participate, we could be liable for not allowing the treatments. If we do participate, we must assume ownership and maintenance for the treatments put in place. After some discussion, the Supervisors voted to accept the terms. The township is acceptable to signage and delineation; pavement markings were NOT indicated on the drawings provided by PennDOT with this letter dated 4/6/18.) The Creek Road 'stabilization project' is hoped to be completed by July 16, 2018, weather permitting. If not, the foreman will request another extension. The stone has already been delivered; waiting for dry weather/low creek.

The foreman will be on vacation for more than a week at the end of June. The Supervisors agreed to ask Nick Krelow to act as temporary foreman that week.

Recreation Committee

Brian Patten was present to report on the June 6, 2018 Recreation Meeting.

Baseball: 10U Tournament June 29 to July 1. 9U Tournament July 5 to July 8. www.saxonburgbaseball.com

Pool: They are still 'discussing possibility' of having another "Community Day" in mid-August; nothing firm yet. They have asked the Township to review the drainage in the area near the intersection of the walking trail and the pool entrance sidewalk. Heavy rain is washing gravel onto the sidewalk from the trail.

www.sebcopool.com

Softball: No report 6/6/18. www.sagsa.org

Soccer: Spring season is almost over (scheduled to end 6/15/18 weather permitting.) They will be holding various summer camps through the end of July and Fall Registration is now open - see website for details.

www.knochsoccer.org

New Business: Josh Goldscheitter is moving forward with the proposed 'Eagle Scout' project (park benches in two locations along the trail.) Brian Patten reported this evening that one location may need to be moved because a cherry tree (originating from the adjacent property) is leaning and overhangs into the park/trail area. The Township cannot take the tree as they would need permission from the property owner. This will be looked into further.

Action Items: Supervisors to: 1) review the drainage in the area of the pool entrance. 2) Post notice that the July meeting will be held July 11 at 8 PM instead of July 4 (Holiday). The Supervisors voted to approve and advertise the Recreation Meeting change to July 11 at 8 PM.

Planning Commission

Leo Rosenbauer reported on the May 21, 2018 Planning Commission (P.C.) meeting. Dan & Laneice Olesnevich and Vigil Cypher Lot Line Revision was reviewed and approved by the P.C. 90% of the plan is located in Winfield Township off Jones Rd. to Keasey Rd. Only a small portion of Tax Parcel 320-1F98-13 (taxed in Winfield) is located in Jefferson. This Lot Line Revision provides Parcel A of 1 acre to this farm for access to Keasey Road. Chairman Rosenbauer noted that the set-backs indicated for Jefferson's portion are correct. Parcel A and the existing dwelling and farm building are all in Winfield Township. The Olesnevichs were present on June 11, 2018 for the Supervisors to review the plan. The Supervisors voted to approve the Dan & Laneice Olesnevich and Virgil Cypher Lot Line Revision as presented.

The P.C. spoke with Albert Caldwell who attended the meeting to get preliminary information about a possible subdivision. He has 2.87 acres with existing house and outbuildings at the corner of Saxonburg Rd. and Green Manor Dr. The problem is that each lot must be 1.50 acres (the new lot and the lot with existing residence/septic/well). The Supervisors would want written proof that the neighbors refused the sale of property, before they would consider a modification.

The P.C. asked Rich Craft to clarify some matters in regards to the Calvary Baptist Church Parking Lot Land Development. Mr. Craft took the Lot-Line Revision mylar and the land development (set of plans) with him to review and correct. The developer was to have picked up the plans to finish notarization and to execute and notarize the Operations and Maintenance Agreement. The P.C. voted to grant a modification to allow submission of 'paper' copies of the Calvary Baptist Church Parking Lot Land Development for recording (which they noted would be map #C200 and #C000). Leo Rosenbauer said the P.C. will address requests for modification whenever the owner/developer or engineer do not want to supply 'mylars' of the land development or subdivision plan, as our ordinance states 'mylar' in several places, but the County Recorder's office will accept paper or mylar for recording.

Rich Craft and Kevin Miller were present to discuss some revisions to the Stoneybrook Phase II plan that 'will be forwarded' to HRG, Inc. for review and comment. They hope to come back to the June 18th P.C. meeting. The P.C. said another 'time extension' is needed, since the current one expires July 4th (before the July 11th Supervisors' meeting). A letter of extension was received giving the Township a new deadline of Sept. 11, 2018. The Supervisors voted to accept the 'Letter of Extension' submitted by James D. Miller & Sons Construction (Kevin Miller), stating the new deadline of Sept. 11, 2018.

The P.C. reviewed and discussed the proposed Floodplain Ordinance Revision (clean draft including record retention in 'perpetuity' as required by FEMA.) The P.C. voted to approve the revised draft subject to the Supervisors addressing any comments or changes that come between their May 21st meeting and the final 'final draft'. Danielle Sedlak submitted a list of comments this afternoon. The Supervisors did NOT review those comments this evening, as the 'final draft' as proposed has already been approved by the DCED and due to the time constraints to have the new ordinance in effect by Aug. 2nd. (subject to re-review by the DCED and final approval by FEMA.) The Board took action under "Unfinished Business".

June 11, 2018 Unfinished Business

The Armstrong Cable Franchise Renewal Agreement and Ordinance (#415) was advertised for adoption this evening. The Supervisors voted to adopt Ordinance #415 as presented.

The Supervisors noted receipt of comments on the proposed Floodplain Ordinance Revision from Danielle Sedlak (noted under Planning Commission Report). The Supervisors voted to authorize advertisement of the 'public hearing' and Floodplain Ordinance #416 (which has been sent to the Butler Eagle by the Attorney) for the July 9, 2018 meeting.

John Cypher reported that Jefferson Township has \$5,665.41 left towards the 2016 Butler County Parks Renovation Grant. Of that, \$1,932.49 is our share due on the total grant application of \$7,729.99, so that means we would have \$3,662.91 towards recapping fall safe surface on the larger playground near the pavilion (a difference of \$5,799.09 to be paid by the Township.) The Supervisors reviewed the updated quote from Snider Recreation, Inc. (dated 6/11/18) to recap and pressure wash for \$9,462.00 and the updated quote that Jeffrey Associates gave to Lance Welliver (dated May 22, 2018) for the same playground for \$15,720.00. After some discussion, the Supervisors voted to accept the quote from Snider Recreation, Inc. for \$9,462.00.

June 11, 2018 New Business

It was reported to the Supervisors that the foot bridge at the park, which was built by Robbie Rankin as his Eagle Scout project, has deteriorated. The Supervisors discussed the matter briefly: whether to repair, replace or remove it. The Supervisors voted to remove the old foot bridge.

Max Summerville contacted the secretary about his plans to step down from 'active work' at Allegheny Inspections. He would like the Township to continue using Allegheny Inspections for electrical inspections with the main inspector being Jarius McClain. The Supervisors agreed that typically appointments of the third party inspectors take place at the January re-organization meeting and that they will keep things as they are until Jan. 2019, at which time they can determine the best decision for the township.

Public Business and Miscellaneous Business - June 11, 2018

Art Borland from Stoneybrook Drive asked the Board to put 'speed limit signs' on Stoneybrook Dr. He would like 15 MPH, but with no 'traffic speed study' (which could be costly) the speed reverts to 25 MPH on local roads per the Motor Vehicle Code. The Supervisors voted to install a 25 MPH Speed Limit Sign on Stoneybrook Road (one going in and one on the way out of the plan.)

John Cypher gave an update on the application for the Greenways, Trails & Recreation Grant submitted by the deadline of May 25th. Total of project was \$177,000.00. We are committed to a 15% local share. Letters of 'support' for the grant have been obtained from Senator Don White and Representative Brian Ellis. Chairman Cypher has spoken to Representative Ellis and hopes to arrange a meeting with Senator White about the grant.

Lois Rankin noted receipt of an email from the South Butler Community Library. The Supervisors agreed that the Township will not participate in 'raffles' sales, but can post their Summer Program Flyer and put notice in the monthly newsletter.

Lois Rankin expressed regret that the Winfield Volunteer Fire Dept. has been dissolved. She said she asked Adam Hartwig from Winfield Township what will be done with the donation given the WVFD in February; but did not get a direct answer. It was noted that the check (#14890) had not cleared in April.

Lil Bachman thanked the Township employees and officials for the sympathy card and their support during her loss.

Major Expenditures since the May 14th meeting through June 11, 2018:

Old Dominion Brush Co. - for sweeper	\$ 1,422.20
Beblo Excavation LLC - stone delivered to Creek Rd.	\$ 6,000.00
Highmark Blue Shield - health ins. premium May	\$ 3,297.71
Dillon McCandless King Coulter & Graham - legal	\$ 2,522.63
HEI-WAY - coldpatch	\$ 3,075.85
Purvis Brothers, Inc. - diesel fuel	\$ 1,088.64
Groff Tractor & Equip. - one (of 2) week's equipment rental	\$ 1,590.00

The Newsletter

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TOWNSHIP OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday - 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM (CLOSED on Fridays.)

Office phone #724-352-2324 Fax #724-352-8850

Holidays, Vacation, & other days off/office closures are posted on the door and noted on the answering machine.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Board of Supervisors – 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. (except Jan.)

L. John Cypher, Chairman

Lois Rankin, Vice-Chair.

Braden Beblo, Supervisor

Planning Commission – 3rd Monday at 7:00 P.M.

Members: Leo Rosenbauer (Chair.), Danielle Sedlak, (Vice-Chair), Evelyn Gross (Secretary), Kathryn Foertsch, James Jones, Brian Noah, Robert Wetzel, Robert Williams and Dan Driscoll.

Recreation Board – 1st Wednesday at 8 P.M. Feb. to Oct. (no meetings Nov., Dec. & Jan.)

Members: Brian Patter (Chair.), -vacant- (Secretary), Viki Nulph, Greg Bauer (Pool),
Scott Kriley (Baseball), James C. Jones (Softball), and Shane Huffman (Soccer)

Location for all meetings listed: 157 Great Belt Rd., Butler, PA 16002

Any changes are advertised and posted.

The Tax Collector is Nadine Grabe - 724-352-3288

245 Heller Rd., Butler, PA 16002 - 352-3288

Please call for an appointment!



Jefferson Township Burning Ordinance

The Township Burning Ordinance limits burning of 'ordinary' (domestic) waste materials (paper, cartons, boxes, leaves, wood and other similar items) by residents to between the hours of 6 AM to 6 PM from Monday through Saturday. **Items intended to be 'excluded' from burning are:** sewage, all putrescible animal & vegetable matter resulting from handling, preparation, cooking and consumption of food, rags, old clothes, leather, rubber, carpets, furniture, tin cans, glass, crockery, masonry, metals, chemicals, tires, shingles and petroleum products such as (but not limited to) paint, grease, oil and plastic products. PLEASE use common sense!

Many items that cannot be burned can be recycled All fires are to be completely extinguished no later than 6 P.M. PLEASE be considerate of your neighbors and do NOT permit leaves and other 'allowed' materials to be left smoldering after 6 PM.

BUSINESSES/COMMERCIAL (ALL non-residential) and MULTI-FAMILY, according to the PA Dept. of

Environmental Protection, are PROHIBITED from ANY burning at ANY time.

TIRES are NEVER to be burned by ANYONE.

Dumping of Tires is ILLEGAL and subject to fines.



Butler County's Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collections:

2018: Saturdays: June 16, July 21, Aug. 18, Sept. 15, Oct. 6, Oct. 20, Nov. 17 and Dec. 15, 2018

By Appointment (pre-registration required) CALL 1-866-815-0016; Location: 129 Ash Stop Rd., Evans City, PA 16033

Butler County Department of Recycling & Waste Management

Sheryl Kelly, Environmental Specialist, Recycling & Waste Mgt. Coordinator

PROP-Certified Recycling Professional

124 West Diamond St. PO Box 1208

Butler, PA 16003

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