

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP

JULY 2018 Newsletter

Road Foreman's Report

Chairman Cypher read the report submitted by Road Foreman William Foertsch. The 'fog seal' repair on the 2016 chip sealed roads has been completed. The repairs to the 2017 paving project roads is 80% complete. The Creek Rd. 'stabilization project' is hoped to be started before the end of July if weather cooperates; an additional extension for an "emergency permit" has been obtained from DEP.

The Supervisors agreed that the road crew should begin looking at mowers to determine needs and costs for a new one for use at the park. The Supervisors also agreed that the road crew should begin looking at options and costs to replace the 'anti-skid' building. They strung cables below the rafters to help strengthen in 2009; now the sun, wind/rain & movement (due to the weather) has deteriorated the fiberglass sheeting, fascia and other boards.

The Supervisors will consider contracting for tree cutting/trimming for several roads with heavy growth and high canopies; they will make a decision next month. The other road berms will be trimmed by the road crew as they always do.

The new 2019 Mack truck should be at Super City this week; the road Foreman plans to go there on Wed., 7/11 for a pre-build meeting with the salesmen from Walsh Equipment & Tri-County Mack.

The Road Crew is currently finishing prep work, patching and crack-sealing to the roads to be chipped sealed (planning for the first half of August.)

XTO Energy has agreed to split the cost 50/50 with the Township to chip seal Burtner Rd. (based on the price of \$2.46 sq. yd.) This will be done along with the chip seal project in August.

Recreation Committee

The Recreation Committee moved their July meeting to Wed., July 11th at 8 PM due to 4th of July Holiday. Therefore there was not report to the Supervisors this evening, 7/9/18. John Cypher noted that the balance of the County Park Renovation Grant from 2016 has been approved for use to recap fall safe surface at the park playground. John Cypher thanked Danielle Sedlak for her work to secure quotes, etc. and also thanks to Lance Welliver, new Butler Co. Parks and Rec. Director for his assistance.

Baseball:www.saxonburgbaseball.comSoftball:www.sagsa.org

Pool: www.sebcopool.com Soccer: www.knochsoccer.org

Planning Commission

Danielle Sedlak, P.C. Vice-Chair., reported on the June 18, 2018 Planning Commission (P.C.) meeting. The P.C. reviewed and approved the Paul & Lisa Smith Land Development on Crider Lane contingent upon addition of signature blocks for plan recording and receipt of the Butler County Planning review letter. The Supervisors voted to approve the Paul & Lisa Smith Land Development with the same contingencies on July 9, 2018.

The P.C. discussed 4 proposed modifications presented by Olsen Craft for the Stoneybrook Phase II Land Development. The P.C. did not have any objections to the four modifications that include: r.o.w. width and cartway width; sidewalks only one side of street opposed to both sides; minimum slope of street at center line; and inlets (set-back or 'eared'...or not). The P.C. took no action on June 18th and the Supervisors took no action at their meeting on July 9, 2018.

The P.C. reviewed and approved a side set-back modification for 427 Great Belt Rd. for an addition to be only 12 ft. from the property line (with notarized permission letter of adjacent owner.) The Supervisors voted to approve this side-set back modification (with a more detailed hardship explanation having been provided.)

The P.C. reviewed and approved a side set-back modification for the replacement of a carport with a new garage at 434 Freeport Rd. (original & current footprint only 2.5 ft. from the adjacent property line.) A notarized letter of permission was submitted from the neighbor. The Supervisors voted to approve this side set-back modification as well.

July 9, 2018 Unfinished Business

As advertised, a public hearing was held during the regular meeting for questions and comment on the proposed Revised Floodplain Ordinance. There were no questions or comments. Following the public hearing, the Supervisors voted to adopt Ordinance #416 revising the Floodplain regulations for the Township.

As advertised, the Supervisors publicly opened and read the 'stone bids' received for this evening's meeting. Only three were received. The Supervisors voted to award to the apparent low bidders on a 'line item' basis as follows: <u>M & M Lime Co.</u> for the #10 Limestone (Item #1 *unit \$12.50 picked-up OR \$16.67 del.*), 2A Limestone (Item #2 *unit \$19.02 del.*), 2RC Limestone (Item #3 *unit \$17.42 del.*) and #3 Limestone (Item #4 *unit \$19.52 del.*); and <u>McClymonds Supply & Transit</u> for the R3 Rip Rap (Item #5 *unit \$21.91 del.*), R4 Rip Rap (Item #6 *unit \$21.91 del.*), #57 Gravel (Item #7 *unit \$18.56 del.*), #3 Gravel (Item #8 *unit \$19.60 del.*), and AS1 Anti-Skid Gravel (Item #9 *unit \$16.56 del.*). I.A. Construction submitted a bid for only four of the nine items; their prices were higher for the 2A & #3 Limestone and for the R3 & R4 Rip Rap, so they were not awarded any of those 'line items'.

July 9, 2018 New Business

The Impact Fee allocation has been received at \$138,067.73. This is \$43,067.73 more than the budgeted \$95,000 I.F. income for 2018. The Supervisors voted to adopt Resolution #417 - Impact Fee Supplemental Budget stating the additional income.

Public Business and Miscellaneous Business - July 9, 2018

John Cypher reported receipt of an e-mail from DEP regarding a complaint from the property owner at 1165 Saxonburg Rd. John noted that the same complaint was received by the Township 2 years ago; the problem was and still is that the neighbor's pipe bridge is deteriorated and it clogs up, causing flooding/pooling of water at 1165. Their driveways cross a small spring fed stream (on private property) along State Rt. 2010 (Saxonburg Rd.) The Township has no jurisdiction or responsibility for the situation. The Supervisors agreed that Chairman Cypher should respond to DEP's e-mail.

The Township received notice on 6/25/18 from II-IV, Inc. that they would test their "community early warning system" on Fri., 6/29 + Sat., 6/30 at Noon. The Newsletter Recipients were e-mailed 6/25/18.

An e-mail was received from Michelle Lesniak, South Butler Community Library Director reporting on library activities and including a summary of June 14th Library Board of Trustees Meeting. Over 200 people attended the Summer Series Kickoff on June 21; their weekly programs began during the week of June 25th with over 100 kids learning about the "Science of Sound". Tues. evenings are 'game night'. Farmer's Market on the Patio every Thursday from 3 to 7 PM. Upcoming Fundraisers: A July "lottery raffle"; a 0.5K (yes, point 5) Run for 'non-runners' at the August 16 Mingle on Main (sponsors are needed) and a 'Booktoberfest' at Cooper Hall on Sept. 28th (with a silent auction...basket donations needed.)

The Supervisors signed a bank acknowledgement that the Laidlaw Sewage Escrow is to 'be returned' to active status. It was noted that <u>all</u> of the escrow accounts are to be held by the Township indefinitely!

Lois Rankin asked whether 25 MPH speed signs were posted on Stoneybrook Dr. (as discussed last month - 6/11/18). The road foreman will look into this.

Lois Rankin asked if the donation check issued to Winfield Vol. Fire Dept. in February (\$1,600) was ever cashed. The secretary said it had not cleared the bank as of the 5/31/18 bank statement; she will check the June bank statement.

Danielle Sedlak reported that she received a 'flyer' from Viki Nulph (Recreation Committee) that the pool will hold their 'Community Day' on Sat., August 18th from 12 to 4 PM. They did not report an anticipated 'attendance' figure. They will have 4 or 5 food trucks, which are self sufficient (own water & electric). Need gates opened and closed for that day's use only. They are still working on traffic flow and parking matters.

Major Expenditures since the June 11th meeting through July 9, 2018:

Groff Tractor - 2nd week equipment rental	\$ 1,550.00
Highmark Blue Shield - health ins. premium May	\$ 3,297.71
HRG, Inc engineering fees	\$ 3,491.49
Purvis Brothers, Inc diesel	\$ 1,070.50

The Newsletter

The Newsletter is only available On-line OR via e-mailing OR can be picked up at the Township Office. Our Web Site is: <u>www.jeffersonbutler.com</u> If you want to have the newsletter e-mailed to you or if you have not received your e-copy, please contact the Township Secretary: <u>jefftwpbutlerpa</u>.@zoominternet.net - **352-2324**.

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

<u>Board of Supervisors</u> – 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.

<u>Recreation Board</u> – 1^{st} Wednesday at 8 P.M. Feb. to Oct. (rescheduled July's to 7/11/18) (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

COLLECTION HOURS FOR THE 2018 SCHOOL TAX BILLING:

August 21, 22, 23, 28, 329, 30

September 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27

Hours are 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. - @ 245 Heller Rd., Butler, PA 16002

Anytime by mail. Other times by appointment only; please call for an Appointment

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Jefferson Township Burning Ordinance

The Township Burning Ordinance limits burning of 'ordinary' (domestic) waste materials (paper, cartons, boxes, leaves, wood and other similar items) <u>by residents</u> 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. <u>PLEASE be considerate of your neighbors and do NOT permit leaves and other 'allowed' materials to be left smoldering after 6 PM.</u> BUSINESSES/COMMERCIAL (ALL non-residential) and MULTI-FAMILY, according to the PA Dept. of <u>Environmental Protection</u>, 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: 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 124 West Diamond St. PO Box 1208 Sheryl Kelly, Environmental Specialist, Recycling & Waste Mgt. Coordinator Butler, PA 16003 Phone 724.284.5305 **PROP-Certified Recycling Professional** Email skelly@co.butler.pa.us Web Site www.recyclebutler.us Do you live in Jefferson Township? You may be eligible to have your windows, furnace, roof or more replaced! The Owner Occupied **Rehabilitation Program** assists homeowners in renovating their homes! APPLY TODAY: financial <u>grants</u> up to \$12,500 to assist eligible low to

Call, Stop-in, or Email: Redevelopment Authority County of Butler 114 Woody Drive - Butler, PA 16001 724.287.6797/1.800.433.6327/TDD: 1.800.545.1833 x772 WWW.housingauthority.com

moderate income homeowners with home improvements including making your home more

Energy Efficient. Also, if

applicable, an additional

\$2,500 is available to make

handicap accessibility modifications to your home.

↓ See "Community Day" Flyer provided by the Pool Association. (e-mailed to newsletter recipient list with this newsletter.)

Don't miss your chance to

improvements before the cold

make some home

weather hits!

 See the July & August "Calendar of Events" for the South Butler Community Library. (e-mailed to newsletter recipient list with this newsletter.) Also available on their website: <u>www.southbutlerlibrary.org</u>