

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP SEPTEMBER 2018 Newsletter

Road Foreman's Report

Chairman Cypher read the report submitted by Road Foreman William Foertsch. The 2018 Chip Seal project is complete; roads have been swept. The third and final berm mowing is complete. The antiskid storage is almost full. Line and Legend painting is scheduled for sometime after Sept. 10th, weather permitting. The area near the #4 ball field has been seeded down and is growing well; also some drainage and fill was added back at the soccer field to make it safer to mow. This area was also seeded down. The 6300 Boom Mower over heated and will need some repairs: antifreeze overflow tank; possible water pump and hoses. Parts should be under \$1,000 and labor will be performed by the road crew. Tractor and mower were purchased in Feb. 1994. The 2019 F550 Truck has been shipped to Super City and the 2019 Mack Truck should be shipped to Walsh/Stevenson Equipment soon. The Supervisors voted to authorize Bill to sign all paperwork for both vehicles. Separate letters will be drafted.

Chairman Cypher noted that the 96 International was paid for and picked up by Wayne Township last week. He also noted that the Dirt & Gravel Roads 'training' is being offered this month (Sept. 19th) in Indiana. The current 'certification' expires in April 2019. The Supervisors voted to authorize Bill to attend if there are no other classes held nearby before April 2019. Mr. Cypher may attend if there is a 'refresher course' offered. Bill is to check Penn State University website to research.

Recreation Committee

The Recreation Committee Chairman, Brian Patten, reported on their Sept. 5, 2018 meeting:

<u>Pool</u>: <u>www.sebcopool.com</u> The Pool Association held their Community Day on August 18th. They reported a nice event despite some rain in the morning causing attendance to be lower. They are planning this event for earlier in August next year. There was discussion on the security system and the park.

<u>Softball</u>: <u>www.sagsa.org</u> The Softball Association did not hold a tournament this year due to lack of interest. They hope to host one next year. Fall Ball Season began on Sept. 8th; they have 3 teams playing (10U-12U-High School.)

Soccer: www.knochsoccer.org No report.

Baseball: www.saxonburgbaseball.com No report.

<u>New Business:</u> The base material (crushed concrete) will be installed soon for the Eagle Scout Project approved earlier this year.

Old Business: Two quotes were reviewed for a set of bleachers for baseball (one from Snider Recreation and a revised quote from National Recreation Systems. Mr. Patten reported that he is still waiting for a quote from GT Grandstands, which will be reviewed by the Recreation Committee and reported to the Supervisors for a decision.

Planning Commission

Leo Rosenbauer, P.C. Chair., reported on the Aug. 20, 2018 Planning Commission (P.C.) meeting. The P.C. reviewed a side set-back modification request at 208 Jones Rd. for an above-ground pool installed by the contractor in the same location as a previous pool on the property. Contractor provided information about needing a permit AFTER work being performed. A notarized letter of permission from the neighbor was submitted. Hardships included: lot is small; pool needs to be located next to the existing deck; septic and other objects in the yard prohibit moving the pool. The P.C. voted to recommend approval of the side set-back

of 15 ft. (a 10 ft. modification) for the 27 ft. round pool on the condition that the deck cannot be any closer to the neighbor's property line than it is presently! The Supervisors voted to approve the 15 ft. side set-back (a 10 ft. modification) for the pool at 208 Jones Rd. under the same conditions required by the P.C.

A revised land development drawing was submitted by Stan Graff Professional Surveying for Paul & Lisa Smith. This was required because the current approved land development indicates an 84' x 84' addition but the building permit application indicates a smaller separate building/garage (84' x 57' with a 15' separation between buildings.) The P.C. voted to recommend approve of the Revised Paul & Lisa Smith Land Development. The Supervisors reviewed the plan and voted to approve the Revised Paul & Lisa Smith Land Development as presented.

Tom Vuselich, owner of the apartment building at 108 Oak Dr. in front of the Forest Glenn Plan, submitted a building permit application for a 12 x 20 roll-off shed (for garden equipment.) The Supervisors directed the township attorney to respond, because the Ordinance (Chap. 4:205 Multifamily #8) does not allow for a 'shed' on the 'multifamily' property nor does it make provision for the Supervisors to grant a variance for such.

Rich Craft and Kevin Miller were present in regards to the Stoneybrook Phase II Land Development. Rob Arnold states in the 8/20/18 HRG letter that he can now support the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval with conditions or contingencies. The Planning Commission voted to approve the preliminary/final submission contingent upon the following: 1) Confirmation of the application for NPDES Stormwater permit and a copy of the permit documentation when received; 2) Provision and execution of the Operations and Maintenance Agreement for the Stormwater facilities with the Township; and 3) Developer's Agreement, incorporating administrative and financial guarantee procedures acceptable to the Township. After a brief discussion at the Sept. 10, 2018 meeting, the Supervisors voted to approve the following modifications for the Stoneybrook Phase II Land Development (approved by the P.C. at their July 16, 2018): 1) Chap. 22-903.10.A - Reduction of minimum street center line grade from 2% to a minimum slope of 1%. 2) Chap. 22-902-11.A - Reduction of street right-of-way from 50 ft, to 40 ft, width for Stoneybrook Dr. only and reduction of cartway width from 24 ft. to 20 ft. on Stoneybrook Dr. south of Audrey Lane and on Audrey Lane to the west of Stoneybrook Dr. 3) Chap. 22-1004.3 - Elimination of the requirement that inlets be set-back ('eared') as shown on the standard details. 4) Chap. 22-1006 - Modification from requirement to put sidewalks on both sides of the street; require sideway only on the east side of Stoneybrook Dr. to the south of Audrey Lane and require no sidewalks on Audrey Lane to the west of Stoneybrook Dr. Then the Supervisors proceeded to approve the Stoneybrook Phase II Land Development_contingent upon the following: 1) confirmation of the application for NPDES Stormwater permit and a copy of the permit documentation when received; 2) provision and execution of the Operations and Maintenance Agreement for the Stormwater Facilities with the Township; and 3) Developer's Agreement, incorporation administrative and financial guarantee requirements (i.e. recording documents and bonding the improvements) in form acceptable to the township engineer and solicitor. A copy/full set of Final Plans and the Stormwater Management Plan and Exhibits must be provided to the Township.

The P.C. discussed the inquiry regarding four lots on Leggens Lane off Saxonburg Rd. which are apparently unable to connect to the public sewer (Saxonburg Authority.) At least two of the lots need additional sewer line right-of-way. No building permit can be issued until the owner/developer remedies the problem; these lots are currently for sale. The Supervisors decided that the CEO can provide information to the attorney and get his assistance in drafting a letter to the property owners. The CEO and Attorney Marshall will also be drafting letters in regards to two shed placed on a property without building permits and in regards to driveway permit requirements for 'other than' a single family dwelling or duplex.

September 10, 2018 Unfinished Business

Fuel bids were advertised for opening at the Sept. 10th meeting. Only one bid (Purvis Brothers, Inc.) was received. The Supervisors voted to award the following to Purvis Brothers: Up to 8,000 gal. On-Road Diesel - OPIS + .0750 differential (*subject to possible additional \$.04 gal. winterization*) = \$2.3679 unit price; Up to 1,000 gal. Unleaded No Ethanol Gas - OPIS + .60 differential = \$2.7742 unit price; and Up to 2,500 gal. Regular Unleaded - OPIS + .12 differential = \$2.1315 unit price.

September 10, 2018 New Business

The Supervisors approved entering into a maintenance agreement for the issuance of a holding tank permit (as allowed 'to abate a nuisance' per Jefferson Township Ordinance #340). The Supervisors directed that a letter be send to the property owner(s) on Freeport Rd. with a copy of the ordinance and the 'Holding Tank Maintenance Agreement' to be signed. A cash bond is required to be submitted to the township.

Public Business and Miscellaneous Business - September 10, 2018

An inquiry was received from a property owner on Blackberry Hill Lane as to its 'private road' status. The Supervisors agreed that Chairman Cypher should respond that: it has always been a private lane; it cannot even be considered for adoption until and unless all of the property owners agree to give property to widen the right-of-way and then to pay for the road to be built to Township specifications (Chap. 21 and 22 of the Jefferson Township Code of Ordinances.)

Major Expenditures since the Aug. 13th meeting through Sept. 10, 2018:

Glenn Heilman - quality control (double seal project)	\$ 1,530.00
HEI-WAY - coldpatch	\$ 2,021.63
Highmark Blue Shield - health ins. premium Oct.	\$ 3,297.71
Purvis Brothers, Inc diesel & gas	\$ 2,033.41
Russell Standard Corp double seal (from General Fund)	\$268,856.97
Russell Standard Corp double seal (from State Fund)	\$255,000.00

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. (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.

TAX COLLECTOR

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

<u>COLLECTION HOURS FOR THE 2018 SCHOOL TAX BILLING:</u>

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

Jefferson Township Burning Ordinance

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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: 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

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