



JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP NOVEMBER 2018 Newsletter

Road Foreman's Report

Chairman Cypher read the report submitted by Road Foreman William Foertsch. About 300 ton of road salt was delivered to the Township to fill the storage to capacity. A little over 600 ton of discounted 2RC stone was delivered and mixed with about 300 ton of sweepings. Snow fence was approx. 60% installed; still waiting for fields to be harvested to finish. The new 2019 Mack truck has been delivered and is ready for use. The 2019 Ford 550 is currently at Stephenson (Walsh) Equipment and should be completed by mid-December. The road crew sealed the West Jefferson Rd. and Golden City Road bridges. The Supervisors voted to revised tree trimming bid to 'trim trees straight up 30 ft. above the right-of-way (on Alwine, Rennick, and Smith Roads.) The road crew has test-demonstrated zero-turn mowers and would like input from the Supervisors regarding: the Ferris 60' deck with suspension, 37HP Briggs/Vanguard and the Hustler Super Z Hyper drive 60" deck, 37HP Briggs/Vanguard both cost a little over \$14,900. The Supervisors tabled the decision for a later date.

Recreation Committee

The Recreation Committee does not meet in Nov., Dec. or January, so there was no report from them. Chairman Cypher noted that he and the codes officer met with County CDBG and Park & Recreation officials to discuss the park on Oct. 25th. The Supervisors voted to proceed with updating the park master plan using the remaining 2014 and 2015 CDBG (Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Admin. Funds.

Pool: www.sebcopool.com Softball: www.sagsa.org Soccer: www.knochsoccer.org Baseball: www.saxonburgbaseball.com

Planning Commission

Leo Rosenbauer, P.C. Chair., reported on the Oct. 15, 2018 Planning Commission (P.C.) meeting. The P.C. spoke with Sister Christina, Mother Superior and their architect who wished to convey information on the proposed expansion of St. Elias Monastery on the adjacent 13 acre parcel.

AT&T is supposed to be submitting new land development information for the cell tower property at 750 Dinnerbell Rd. (for a cement pad and generator). The land development was previously approved by the P.C. and Supervisors with contingencies at prior meetings.

Leo Rosenbauer, P.C. Chair., noted that Miller/Lezzer (Stoneybrook Phase II) are will to provide a plan showing 'all lots' in Phase II as requested by the Township.

November 12, 2018 Unfinished Business

The 2019 Proposed Budget was introduced to the Board of Supervisors last month. The only change made was the one-time donation to the Saxonburg Volunteer Fire Dept. for \$25,000, which was added to budget to be paid in 2018. The Jefferson Township Supervisors voted to authorize advertisement of the proposed 2019 Budget for final review and adoption at the Dec. 10, 2018 meeting.

The Supervisors voted to clarify that the lane signs that will be needed due to 9-1-1's required 'private lane naming & labeling' will cost the property owner(s) approximately \$150 for the materials only; the township will absorb the installation/labor costs.

November 12, 2018 New Business

The Supervisors voted to authorize advertisement of the intent to appoint a CPA again to 'examine all of the accounts of the Township for the fiscal year 2018'. Appointment and adoption of the Resolution will be at the reorganization meeting on Jan. 7, 2019.

The Supervisors discussed Chapter 21.303.4 as requested by the codes officer in regards to Supervisors' review and approval of driveway permit applications. First they voted to deny two permit applications submitted by Pine Run Midstream (one application asked for modification for site distance and both asked for modification from paving the first 50 ft. of the access.) Second they voted to 'revise' Chapter 21 (especially Section 303) and asked that the Planning Commission begin review. Third and finally, they voted to 'waive review/approval' by the Supervisors for those 'residential driveway applications' that are 'not questionable' because it was never the intention to require the Supervisors to approve normal residential driveway applications with no questionable conditions (subject to Attorney Marshall's review and approval) and in effect until the revision to Chapter 21 is advertised and adopted.

The Supervisors voted to ratify the hiring of a new road crew employee. The position was advertised. Austin Taylor began work on 11/5/18 at beginning rate of \$17 per hour, which will be increased to \$18 per hour after obtaining his CDL license.

The Supervisors acknowledged receipt of the Codes Officer Danielle Sedlak's letter stating that she has taken another job (daylight hours) and is ready and willing to remain in the service and employ of Jefferson Township evenings and weekends. The Supervisors had no objections to the change and, in fact, appreciate her willingness to continue. They directed that she be contacted to confirm her intentions.

As announced last month, PennDOT has approved our Multimodal Transportation Grant submitted jointly with Summit Township. Summit Township is acting 'lead applicant' (or sponsor) and they will be signing off on the agreement. Jefferson Township's attorney is preparing an 'Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement' Ordinance which will need to be adopted by both Townships. They voted to move forward with advertisement as soon as the final draft is received from the attorney.

Public Business and Miscellaneous Business - November 12, 2018

Received NOTICE from HRG, Inc. that PennEnergy Resources, LLC is applying for coverage under the Erosion & Sediment Control Permit (ESCPG-2) for earth disturbance associated with Oil & Gas Exploration- West Pad 69, 300 Victory Rd., Saxonburg, PA (at Stasiak property). Project: construction of PCSM BMP's to include converting two existing sediment traps into infiltration basins and the construction of an infiltration berm.

Monica Rummel was present from the South Butler County Library to give an update on their activities. She thanked the Township for the basket 'give-a-way' donated for their Booktoberfest. For more information, their website is www.southbutlerlibrary.org

Chris Balina and Brian Jack were present from the Saxonburg Volunteer Fire Dept. to present a letter of thanks for the \$25,000 one-time donation from Jefferson Township (approved at the Oct. 8th meeting.)

Major Expenditures since the Oct. 8th meeting through Nov. 12, 2018

PSAB MRT - pension aid received from State deposited	\$ 12,412.34
Dillon, McCandless, King, Coulter & Graham - legal - Oct.	\$ 2,363.00
Anderson Equipment Co. - plow shoes/parts	\$ 2,196.06
National Recreation Systems - baseball seating/W.Deaner funds	\$ 4,045.85
Tri-County Mack - new Mack truck	\$ 180,239.47
American Rock Salt - road salt	\$ 17,442.32
Highmark Blue Shield - health ins. premium Oct.	\$ 3,539.04
HRG, Inc. - land dev. reviews	\$ 5,846.00
M & M Lime, Co. - 2RC	\$ 3,510.00

MONTHLY MEETINGS

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

Note: next re-organization meeting is Jan. 7, 2019 at 7 P.M.

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 Wetzal, 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.

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.

TAX COLLECTOR

Nadine Grabe, 245 Heller Rd., Butler, PA 16002 - 352-3288 - Pay by mail or 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: 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

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Butler, PA 16003

Phone 724.284.5305

Email skelly@co.butler.pa.us

Web Site www.recyclebutler.us



During the winter months, as per the Township Ordinances, NO ONE is to park on the cul-de-sacs so that the road can easily be cleaned of snow. Please **DO NOT PUSH SNOW ONTO THE ROADS** when plowing your driveway. Should this cause an accident, you could be named in a claim or lawsuit. In addition, this is a reminder that the Township is NOT responsible for replacing or repairing mailboxes damaged during the plowing/salting process.

Residents living along the Butler-Freeport Community Trail are being asked to be considerate when plowing snow from their property. Some residents are plowing snow onto the trail and in front of the gates, which blocks emergency vehicle access. If there would be an emergency, Emergency Services / First Responders would have difficulty getting to the scene.

THE NEWSLETTER is only available On-line OR via e-mailing OR can be picked up at the Township Office. Our Web Site is: www.jeffersonbutler.com 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: jefftwbutlerpa.@zoominternet.net - 352-2324.

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 grants up to \$12,500 to assist eligible low to 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.

Don't miss your chance to make some home improvements before the cold weather hits!

Call, Stop-in, or Email:
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