

# JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER November 2017

#### **ATTENTION:**

## There will be a vacant position on the Jefferson Township Planning Commission at the end of 2017.

Persons interested in 'volunteering' for this position must submit a letter of interest to the Planning Commission before December 14, 2017 for consideration and recommendation to the Supervisors. The appointee must reside in the Township and be willing to attend monthly meetings (usually the 4th Thursday at 7 PM except for Nov. and Dec.)

## There are two vacant positions for 'elected' auditor for 2018.

The Supervisors have decided to appoint a CPA to begin doing the annual audit. The 'elected auditors' are still needed to set compensation for any 'working' supervisors. The appointee must have resided in the township for at least 1 year and be a registered voter. Letters of interest are due by the Dec. 11th Supervisors' meeting.

(Send letters of interest to Jefferson Township, 157 Great Belt Rd., Butler, PA 16002)

# Road Foreman's Report

Chairman Cypher had no formal report to read this evening (11/13/17). The Road Crew has done some extra work on the Hannahstown Rd. bridge (markers and paving of approaches to make them smoother). They are trying to get the snow fence up, but the wet weather has been a hindrance.

## **Recreation Committee**

The Recreation Committee has no meetings in November, December and January. No report.

# **Planning Commission**

Leo Rosenbauer, Chairman of the Planning Commission reported on their Oct. 26, 2017 meeting. The P.C. reviewed the Rustique Roost Land Development (owned by Mr. and Mrs. Simms) on Winfield Road. They tabled action on the plan, based on the comment letter from the Township Engineer listing 12 deficiencies. No action needed by the Supervisors at the 11/13/17 meeting. The P.C. reviewed the Leo Harbison Lot-Line Revision on Bonniebrook Rd. at Jones Rd. They tabled action on the plan because it was incomplete. His engineer needs to obtain a copy of the Jefferson Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance to determine ALL missing items. No action needed by the Supervisors at the 11/13/17 meeting. The P.C. reviewed and recommended approval for a 12 ft. side set-back modification for a proposed 960 sq. ft. residential garage on Victory Rd. The property owner, Mr. Kohler, submitted a notarized letter of permission from his neighbor, James Hughs. The Supervisors voted to approve the modification as presented at the 11/13/17 meeting. The P.C. spoke again with surveyor Stan Graff regarding the proposed subdivision and lot-line revisions (consolidations) on the Nowicki properties. The P.C. took no action as this is still preliminary discussion and no plans have been submitted. No action needed by the Supervisors at the 11/13/17 meeting. The P.C. plan to discuss the proposed revision to the Burning Ordinance at future meeting(s). The P.C. was informed that a current member does not want to be reappointed to another term on the Planning Commission (by the Supervisors at the Jan. meeting). The Supervisors voted to place a notice in the newsletter asking for 'letters of interest' from persons interested in the position.

# November 13, 2017 Unfinished Business

Last month the Proposed 2018 Budget was introduced to the Board of Supervisors. The Supervisors voted to authorize final review and adoption for the Dec. 11, 2017 meeting.

At the October meeting it was noted that the Township would re-apply for the PennDOT Multi-Modal Grant. Application was made last year, but the State has not awarded those yet. Since the last meeting, Summit Township officials contacted Jefferson Township to consider a joint application this year. The Supervisors agreed individually (by phone call with secretary.) The Supervisors voted this evening to ratify the decision to proceed with a joint application with Summit Township taking the lead. They designated the chairman to sign any of the application paperwork, if needed. A resolution will have to be adopted later to authorize request/application for the Multimodal Transportation Grant.

## November 13, 2017 New Business

The Supervisors discussed the problem of having two vacant auditor positions and the fact that for a few years now, the auditors that have been appointed (because only one was elected) have declined reappointment. The Supervisors voted to advertise their intent to appoint a CPA to do the annual audit beginning in 2018 (with the 2017 Audit). The Supervisors voted to continue looking for someone to accept the vacant auditor position(s), for 1 year, for the purpose of setting the 'working' supervisors' wages for 2018.

## Public Business and Miscellaneous Business - Nov. 13, 2017

- Received NOTICE from HRG, Inc. that PennEnergy Resource, LLC is applying to DEP for Permit Applications to Drill and Operate Unconventional Gas Wells (PER W45 2H well permit modification) on Bicker Rd., Cabot (Winfield Township.)
- Received NOTICE from Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. that PennEnergy Resources, LLC is applying to DEP for a Permit to Drill & Operate an Unconventional Well in Winfield Township, PER W32 Well Pad off Bear Creek Rd.
- Received NOTICE from Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. that PennEnergy Resources, LLC is applying to DEP for a Permit to Drill & Operate an Unconventional Wells ((REVISING 1H-4H previously notified and adding 5H) off Golden City Rd. in Jefferson Township.
- Received NOTICE from Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. that PennEnergy Resources, LLC is applying to DEP for authorization under the ESCGP-2 Permit for a major modification to the PER W71 Well Pad project (off Dinnerbell Rd. in Jefferson Township).
- Received NOTICE from Rex Energy that they are submitting permit applications for drilling or altering a well to DEP for R.E. Gas Development, LLC Hofer Units 1H and 3H on Anderson Rd. in Penn Twp.

#### Major Expenditures since the Oct. 9th meeting through Nov. 13, 2017:

Saxonburg Borough - share of w/c for fire and ambulance	\$13,719.60
C. W. Howard Insurance Agency - public officials ins. for 2018	\$ 5,774.00
Edward Kosinski, Jr final balance on building alterations	\$ 6,549.00
Insight Pipe Contracting - cleaning/video - Great Belt Rd. pipe	\$ 1,500.00
American Rock Salt - road salt	\$16,818.37
Skander Tire Service - 96 Int., 04 Ford and 15 Ford tires	\$ 3,605.14

### 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: <a href="www.jeffersonbutler.com">www.jeffersonbutler.com</a> 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: <a href="jefftwpbutlerpa.@zoominternet.net">jefftwpbutlerpa.@zoominternet.net</a> - 352-2324.

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

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

L. John Cypher, Chairman Lois Rankin, Vice-Chair. Braden Beblo, Supervisor **Planning Commission** – 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 7:00 P.M. except for Nov. 19 & Dec. 17, 2015)

Members: Leo Rosenbauer (Chair.), Danielle Sedlak (Vice-Chair), Evelyn Gross (Secretary), Kathryn Foertsch,

Bill Montgomery, James Jones, Gary Stone, Robert Wetzel, and Robert Williams

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

Members: Brian Patten (Chair.), Roger Cypher, 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

**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 - 724-352-3288 -- 245 Heller Rd., Butler, PA 16002 Anytime by mail. Other times by appointment only. Please call for an Appointment.

## ⇒ Butler County's Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collections:

**2017**: Saturdays: November 18, 2017 and December 16, 2017 (winter dates are weather permitting.)

**2018:** Saturdays: Jan. 20, Feb. 17, Mar. 17, Apr. 21, May 5, May 19, 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

Butler, PA 16003 Phone 724.284.5305

124 West Diamond St. PO Box 1208

Email skelly@co.butler.pa.us

Web Site www.recyclebutler.us

NOTICE: Best Buy Electronics is no longer accepting televisions for recycling in Pennsylvania.

# ⇒ 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.

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