

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP

JUNE 2025

NEWSLETTER

"ANNOUNCEMENTS" are at the end of the Newsletter!

Road Foreman's Report

John Cypher read the report as follows:

- The new restrooms at the park have been back filled and seeded. Work extending the roadway will continue as time and weather allows.
- The first berm mowing for the 2025 season has been completed. Please keep in mind that the second berm mowing should be completed by July 4th and the third berm mowing is planned to finish up around Labor Day.
- Prep work for the proposed 2025 road projects is ongoing, the crack sealing should be approximately half done at this point.
- The Tiger mower accessories on the JD 6330 appear to be leaking a good bit of oil. We believe it may be a hole or crack in the hydraulic tank. The road crew may not be too able to fix it in house. It will be looked at soon.
- Approximately 350 tons of salt should be ordered in before the end of July to fill the salt storage. If we wait till after July we will be looking at new 2025-2026 winter season price and we will not know that till sometime in August 2025. What would the Board and Manager like to do?

The Supervisors voted to order up to 350 tons of salt.

Recreation Committee

RECREATION BOARD REPORT: Recreation Committee was unable to complete their meeting on Wed., June 4, 2025 because they didn't have a quorum.

BASEBALL (Knoch Youth Baseball) ASSN.:

www.knochyouthbaseball.com

POOL ASSN.:

www.sebcopool.com

SOFTBALL ASSN:

www.sagsa.org

SOCCER ASSN:

www.knochsoccer.org.

Planning Commission

The P.C. voted at their May 19th meeting to approve the modification changes from Doug & Joan Hilliard at 145 Hannahstown Road for shed setback 16 feet from the left side of the property line vs. the original submission 8-9 foot distance. The Supervisors voted to approve the modification on 6/9/25.

The P.C. had a lengthy discussion and review of the Jefferson township Ordinance establishing requirements for the installation, operation and decommissioning of Solar Energy Systems. The P.C. recommended to make changes to Solar Array definition and the arrangement of solar cell, solar module and solar array. The P.C voted to recommend approval to advertise Solar Ordinance on 5/19/25. The Supervisors voted at the June 9th meeting to approve and advertise the Solar Ordinance,

June 9, 2025 Unfinished Business and Old Business

Opening of bids for road work opened June 9th at 2pm. One Bid was received prior to 2pm from Russell Standard. It included a bond and is within our budget. The Supervisors voted to approve the bid from Russell Standard.

Markus property issue- Supervisor Beblo has reached out to Mr. Markus twice and has not received a response to date.

Broman property issue- after a lengthy discussion. The Supervisors decided to extend, angle the pipe to get it further away from the edge of the road. Fill and top dress as suggested by road foreman and Supervisor Beblo.

June 9, 2025 New Business

The Supervisors voted to adopt the revised advertised Ordinance #546

Chairman John Cypher attended and reported tonight on the EMS meeting held May 14th in Clinton Township along with multi municipalities. The next meeting is Wednesday June 11th.

The Board of Supervisors discussed a resident concern in replacing trees in place of ones that were removed in the park. The Supervisors decided to take no action at this time.

A draft letter of support was provided to the Supervisors to review regarding the CDBG program funds being reduced or eliminated completely as of 2026. Wendy Leslie emailed and strongly encouraged that we send letters of support to try to help the program being eliminated. The Supervisors decided to approve the support letter presented to be forwarded to Butler County.

South Butler Community Library sent notification of their Booktoberfest on Sunday, 9/28/25. They are looking for raffle donors, sponsors, or financial donations. Set a cost if the township will contribute a basket this year. For more info., go to their website: www.southbutlerlibrary.org Lois Rankin is willing to prepare a 'basket donation' again this year. The Supervisors voted to spend between \$75 to \$85 for the basket and contents.

The Board of Supervisors discussed the Sale of 1999 International Truck Parts. The Supervisors voted to authorize advertisement for bid via Municibid,

A resident called regarding a storm water complaint at 266 Bonniebrook Rd. Township Manager Leo Rosenbauer took a look at it and presented the Board with some photos to review on what is going on with the water. Leo asked if Supervisor Beblo can take a look at it.

The Road Department asked if it was possible to get direct deposit. The Board was presented with a quote from the bank and discussed it. The Supervisors decided not to go with direct deposit at this time.

Public Comment & Miscellaneous Business – June 9, 2025

None.

Major Expenditures since the May 12th meeting through June 9, 2025

Teamster's 261 Employers – health insurance June 2025	\$7,886.82
Penn Fencing	\$2,963.32
HRG Engineering	\$1,824.00
Vogel Disposal	\$1,090.07

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 6:00 P.M.

Members: Leo Rosenbauer (Chair.), Evelyn Gross, Mike Gaston, James Jones,
Brian Noah (Vice-Chair.), Martha Fleming (Secretary), Robert Williams, Dan Driscoll, and Bernie Shulik.

Robert Wetzel is an alternate P.C. member.

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

Members: Brian Patten (Chair.), Roger Cypher, Kristi Wise, Greg Bauer (Pool), Justin Thompson and Josh Harbison
(Baseball- Co reps), James C. Jones (Softball), and Kody Durrett (Soccer)

Location for all meetings listed: 157 Great Belt Rd., Butler, PA 16002 - Any changes are advertised and posted.

Please see websites for the park associations under ‘Recreation Committee’ above.

TOWNSHIP OFFICE HOURS

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

Office phone #724-352-2324 - Fax #724-352-8850 Manager: Leo Rosenbauer

Sec/Treas.: Lois Fennell Sec/Treas. Trainee Angel File

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

ANY QUESTIONS: email or call: jefftwpbutlerpa@zoominternet.net – 724-352-2324

REAL ESTATE /PER CAPITA TAX COLLECTOR

Tax Collector Nadine Grabe, 245 Heller Rd, Butler, PA 16002 - 724-352-3288

By mail anytime. All other times by appointment only. Never leave unstamped envelopes in the Tax Collector's personal mailbox. Secure Drop Box located on the porch at 245 Heller Rd.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ↓↓

⇒ **NOTICE:** Jefferson Township's responsibility during & following storms and excessive rain events is to clear and protect the Township rights-of-way. The Township is NOT authorized to clean up any private property; the only exception would be for Emergency access for 9-1-1 responders! It is also not legal for property owners to place any storm/rain/wind debris from their property along the township road rights-of-way.

⇒ **PA AMERICAN WATER – ‘WaterSource’**

LIHWAP – Low Income Household Water Assistance Program – contact www.compass.state.pa.us or request an application by calling the Dept. of Human Services Customer Service at 877-395-8930 (or for the hearing-impaired call PA Relay at 711).

⇒ **Jefferson Township Burning Ordinance**

The Township Burning Ordinance limits burning of ‘ordinary’ (domestic) waste materials (paper, cartons, boxes, yard waste, wood, and other similar items) by residents to ‘dawn to dusk’; see *on-line ordinance for excluded items*. PLEASE use common sense! Many items that cannot be burned can be recycled. All fires are to be completely extinguished before leaving it unattended.

Recreational fires are permitted by Ordinance #459 (Chapter 7 of the Code of Ordinances.)


PLEASE be considerate of your neighbors and do NOT permit leaves and other ‘allowed’ materials to be left smoldering after dusk.

ALL COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL BUSINESSES, NON-RESIDENTIAL and MULTI-FAMILY are PROHIBITED from ANY burning at ANY time per the Dept. of Environmental Protection.

⇒ **NEED HELP:** Call (dial) 2-1-1 for help or **Contact one of the 'community resources' below:**

- **Food For Kids** Program information: <https://files.constantcontact.com/5061598a001/e62a6eb1-16b1-48d2-ad5c-349fc68f4395.pdf>
- **Food Bank** Information: <https://files.constantcontact.com/5061598a001/2d7ca64b-ee3d-4b4f-8ad9-45aa6cc125a3.pdf>
- **Link for Butler County Food Bank donations:** <https://anrinfo.org/product/butler-county-food-bank-donation/>
- **Butler County Health and Human Services** Resources are available 24 hours a day 7 days a week at, <http://pa211sw.org/> or by calling 211.
- **The Center for Community Resources** is also available 24 hours a day 7 days a week at (855)-284-2494. You can also chat with them at their website, <https://ccrinfo.org/>
- **24 Hour Crisis Services Local Hotline** (800) 292-3866
- **United Way of Butler County** – Check with them for help, but also to give donations that will help Butler County citizens. 724-283-4883 <https://www.butlerunitedway.org/butler-county-emergency-relief-initiative-beri>


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:**
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

