



JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP MAY 2026 NEWSLETTER

"ANNOUNCEMENTS" are at the end of the Newsletter!

Road Foreman's Report

Ford Stepp read the report as follows:

- Trucks were washed following completion of winter maintenance.
- Salt spreaders were washed, oiled and stored for the season.
- Roadways were swept to remove any loose debris from winter maintenance.
- Road crew has been maintaining equipment, street signs and keeping catch basin grates clear.
- Mowing and string trimming at township buildings and park, including inside the pool area during pool closer.
- Crew performed berm cleaning on all roadways on the 2026 road maintenance list in preparation for 2026 chip seal project.
- Replaced two cross pipes in the area of Hamme Lane and added inlet boxes on Ohara Road to improve storm drainage.
- 2024 BWISE TRL inspection at Crystals breakaway switch, shrink tube, connector eyelet, and loom cost \$165.26.

Recreation Committee

RECREATION BOARD REPORT: The Recreation Board met on Wed., May 6, 2026. Lois Rankin read report.

BASEBALL ASSN.: Absent no report.

www.knochyouthbaseball.com

POOL ASSN.: Greg Bauer

www.sebcopool.com

- The pool will not open this year due to pending renovations.
- The Pool Associations is continuing to work on fundraising for both the renovations and the pools operational budget.

SOFTBALL ASSN.: Jim Jones

www.sagsa.org

- High School games are almost finished, and In-house league games are starting.
- They will need to address field drainage problems at some point in the near future. Exact timing to be determined. They are developing a plan at this time.
- SAGSA's tournament will be July 31st to August 1st.
- Jim asked if the restroom cleaning for beginning of August could be moved up to just before their tournament which starts July 31st.
- Jim reported that the parking when both softball and baseball games coincide is challenging, traffic lanes are narrow and people are being parked in. Jim to discuss the situation with Leo, TWP Manager, to identify any possible changes.

SOCCKER ASSN.: Kody Durrett-
www.knochsoccer.org

- The Soccer season is about ½ way over, ending about the 1st week of June.
- Kody reported that the parking lot is better since being addressed by the road crew. Soccer thanks the TWP for the improvements.
- They are planning on replacing the set of stairs that lead to their lower field. They welcome any volunteer involvement. Contact the association if interested in helping.
- **They are currently running a fundraiser – Moe’s SW Grill Taco Kits- now through 5/10 @12:00 Noon. See the soccer website for details.**

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

ACTION REQUEST:

- **Please consider softball’s request regarding scheduling the August restroom to just prior to July 31st if possible.**

Planning Commission

The manager, Leo Rosenbauer reported on the Planning Commission meeting of 4/20/26. The P.C. members recommend the Board of Supervisors to approve the Wiefeling Plan of Subdivision as presented. The Board of Supervisors voted to approve the plan as presented.

CV CSG Jefferson 1 LLC (Nancy Jefferies Community Solar Gardens is in the process of modifying its request for modifications pursuant to comments received from March 16, 2026, P.C. meeting. The P.C. members voted to table the CV CSG Jefferson submittal for this month’s meeting. The Board of Supervisors voted to table CVS CSG Jefferson 1 LLC (Nancy Jefferies Community Solar Gardens).

CVE USPA Winfield 397 LLC (Benzinger Solar Land Development) is in the process of addressing the comments received from HRG, Inc., the Township Engineer, and the P.C. The P.C. members voted to table the CVE USPA Winfield 397 LLC submittal for this month’s meeting. The Board of Supervisors voted to table CVE USPA Winfield 397 LLC (Benzinger Solar Land Development).

Rich Craft, Olsen Craft Associates, LLC, was present to discuss comments received from HRG (dated April 15, 2026) on the Wain Landscaping Land Development Plan. The P.C. members voted to approve the resubmitted plan contingent upon the resolution of outstanding matters via a conference call between Olsen Craft, HRG, and the P.C. Chairman and Vice-Chairman. The Board of Supervisors voted accept the Wian Landscaping Land Development Plan Time Extension #4 (June 14, 2026).

The Board of Supervisors voted to table with Contingencies the Wain Landscaping Land Development Plan. (Contingent upon the resolution of outstanding matters via a conference call between Olsen Craft, HRG, and the P.C. Chairman and Vice-Chairman).

The P.C. members voted to recommend Terene Holding an extension to July 31, 2026, for its Land Development Submission.

The Board of Supervisors voted to accept the Terene Holding, LLC Time Extension (July 31, 2026).

Bruce and Ruth Walker presented a preliminary plan for a Lot Line Revision at 138 and 142 Frazier Road. The P.C. indicated that the preliminary plan appears to meet Township Ordinances and that Walkers can proceed with preparation of a formal submittal for consideration. No action required.

Brad Thoma presented information for a Modification Request for Thoma Meat Market at 748 Dinnerbell Road. The modification would be for a 10-foot building setback from the western property line and southwestern corner of the property instead of the required 40-foot side yard setback. Mr. Thoma stated in the Modification Request and in person that the Thomas have been attempting for many years to acquire additional property from the adjacent property owner but to no avail. The western property line and southwestern corner of the property are adjacent to a 50-foot gas line right-of-way located on the neighboring property and therefore non-buildable for any structures. The P.C. members voted to recommend approval of the requested modification contingent upon: (1) the western and southwestern property lines are surveyed and staked for further township review and (2) Mr. Thoma considers adjusting the size of the future structure to provide a minimum 15-foot setback from the southwestern property line.

The Board Of Supervisors voted to approve with Contingencies the Thoma 2LLC Modification Request (Contingent upon (1) the western and southwestern property lines are surveyed and staked for further township review and (2) Mr. Thoma considers adjusting the size of the future structure to provide a minimum 15-foot setback from the southwestern property line.

May 11, 2026, Unfinished Business and Old Business

The Supervisors voted to table Resolution #555 setting the 2026 compensation for the township manager.

The Supervisors voted to table old shed at 682 Saxonburg Road.

No action taken on 503 Saxonburg Rd. for a shed without a building permit.

The Supervisors voted for the BOS meeting minutes and P.C. minutes to be inserted in their file folders the Monday following each meeting for review and comment.

The Supervisors voted to leave Township heavy construction equipment on the job site vs. returning to the municipal garage on a daily basis at the discretion of the Road Foreman.

The Supervisors voted to move to the 1999 International Truck to Projects in Progress Update List.

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Personal Codes Enforcement Update. (3-27-2026 previously distributed in folders, 4-9-2026 update to be distributed). No action taken.

Mr. Michael Mullis was not present to address the board regarding Chapter 15 – Motor Vehicles & Traffic for Typers of vehicles allowed on Township Roads, and paving Alana Drive vs. Seal Coating. The Supervisors voted to remove this item from the agenda because the resident did not attend the meetings.

The Supervisors voted to accept all bids from any interested contractors and review at the next meeting for a Metal roof on the Baseball Restroom and Concession Stand: *Second* by Braden Beblo.

Request of Edward and Lorraine Theile to prepare correspondence to PADOT regarding the S.R. 00356 cross pipe north of the S.R. 00356 and Hannahstown Road intersection. The Manager was informed that Mr. Theile did contact State Representative Marci Mustello and she in turn contacted

the County and they intern contacted Cory Shaffer at PADOT. He is reviewing internally. No action taken.

Old Attorney files from Dillion McCandless, King, Coulter and Graham – Chairperson Lois Rankin review 1 box with Stoneybrook but didn't get any further.

The Supervisors voted to move the white light on the southbound approach to the S.R. 00356 / Marwood Road / Neupert Road intersection was not working. The manager will request another quote for this service and present to the board and move to Projects in Progress Update List.

Supervisors will review the LTAP study from Sept 16, 2024, on the Great Belt Rd. and Bonniebrook Rd. Intersection. The Supervisors voted to remove this item from the agenda.

Update on Great Belt Road and Bonniebrook Road Intersection – no accidents reported since last meeting.

Pool meeting update – questioned by a resident.

May 11, 2026, New Business

The Township received an email on 4/17/26 from Wendy Leslie, CDBG Coordinator for Butler County, for the 2026 CDBG Allocations. Total amount is \$106,642. It breaks down to \$87,510 for activity and \$19, 132 for admin. *The Board needs to be thinking about what they want to put the funds toward.* The Board voted to table and see if Wendy can look at soccer steps.

Discussion on the 2020 Burning Ordinance #459. The Supervisors voted to post the full ordinance on website with the 724-287-7769 non-emergency contact number.

The Supervisors voted to keep the speed limit of _35_MPH the same on Constitution Avenue as presented in the LTAP Technical Assistance Report for Constitution Avenue.

The Supervisors voted to see if Sarah would be a back-up third-party company to clean and sanitize the men's and women's restrooms in the concession stand, restock supplies as needed, empty trash containers in the restrooms and Ladies Pavilion for pavilion rentals when the Township's outside source is not available.

The Supervisors voted to create a position as a Part Time Employee for the summer (no longer than 90 days) to perform Labor Duties as per the CBU - 2025-2028 Union Contract, Article XI, Section 4, Use of Non-Bargaining Unit Individuals at a rate set by the supervisors.

The Supervisors voted to deny the General Insurance Company's offer of \$170.33 vs. the Township cost of \$699.69 (invoiced) for the damaged Stop Sign at the intersection of S.R. 00356 and Caldwell Drive on April 28, 2025

Public Comment & Miscellaneous Business – May 11, 2026

Marlen Lang turned in a slip to ask the Board, does the proposed solar ordinance update contain language about cleaning up the property if leasing company goes bankrupt, or out of business for any reason? This is in your existing ordinance per Matt Marshal Township Solicitor, and also, we be discussed in executive session.

Chairperson Lois Rankin commented on PSATS and all the data system round table discussion at the state conference in Hershey, feels that we need to have P.C. look at it.

Notice received from Moody and Assoc. that PennEnergy Resources is applying to DEP for permit to drill and operate an unconventional gas well...in Middlesex Twp. ...well pad location is 450 Glade Mill Rd.

The Supervisors voted for the Sec/Treas. and Manager to attend the Secretary Manager Summits on June 23 & 24, 2026. Authorize attendance and payment registration /mileage reimbursement.

Major Expenditures since the April 13th meeting through May 11, 2026

JZ Tree Service LLC – Tree Trimming	\$16,450.00
Teamster’s 261 Employers – health insurance June 2026	\$10,749.12
Dillion, McCandless, King, Coulter, and Graham -April legal	\$1,230.00
Butler County Assessment Office – local tax processing	\$1,335.40

MONTHLY MEETINGS

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

Lois Rankin, Chairperson Braden Beblo, Vice-Chair. Ford Stepp, 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 Hsrbison (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.: Angel File

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

ANY QUESTIONS: email or call: jefftwbutlerpa@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.)

724-287-77-69 is the 911 non-emergency contact number to call prior to an open burn.

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.

Review the entire Ordinance online at jeffersonbutler.com (under MORE/ORDINANCES) or stop at the Municipal Building to pick up a copy.



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.butlerrunitedway.org/butler-county-emergency-relief-initiative-ber/>

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