



JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2016

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Interested persons please contact the Township Office if you desire to become a dedicated volunteer (member 'at large') from the Township to serve on the Recreation Committee.

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP BURNING ORDINANCE

The Township Burning Ordinance limits burning of 'ordinary' waste materials (paper, cartons, boxes, leaves, wood and other similar items) 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 (see *Butler County Hazardous Materials Recycling Dates on page 3*). **BUSINESSES are to get permission directly from the DEP** (Dept. of Environmental Protection) **for ANY burning!** 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. **THANK YOU!**

Public Business or Comment

Becky Shaw, representing Penn United, was present to question and clarify the donations and naming of the park gazebo. The following is a synopsis of the conversation:

Ms. Shaw acknowledged that Penn United sold a piece of property to the Township for \$20,000 in 2009, which was to be paid back to the Township for the park. As time progressed, those involved (Carl Jones and James R. Jones) died and Wayne Deaner was working toward completion and dedication of the gazebo. Russ Kiley, in 2012, was working with Bill Jones to get the gazebo donation to begin the work. It was then, if not before, that Penn United understood that the gazebo would be dedicated in memory of Carl Jones and James R. Jones. She was working closely with Wayne Deaner and thought everything was okay, until the passing of Wayne and the 'naming' of the gazebo in his memory. The problem appears to be in the time line and change of leadership. She urged the Supervisors to honor the past Supervisors' commitment as well as Wayne Deaner's goal.

John Cypher responded that he has a different perspective. He was not a Supervisor most of this time period and upon reviewing the minutes, saw that many people gave donations (funds, materials, labor) and gave credit to Wayne Deaner for completing the gazebo project. He said the Supervisors voted to name the gazebo the "Wayne Deaner Gazebo" last month and suggested discussing alternatives to honor the memory of Carl Jones and James R. Jones (i.e. memorial plaques in or at the gazebo.)

Rodger Davis said he has been Supervisor for 4 ½ years and did not know Carl Jones, but had been able to get to know Jim Jones a little. He said the minutes show 'no vote' to actually name the gazebo for Carl and Jim, but he knows, especially after talking to Donna Deaner, that Wayne's wishes were to get it finished and dedicated to Carl & Jim Jones. He would like to propose dedicating (naming) it in memory of Carl Jones, James R. Jones, and Wayne Deaner.

Lois Rankin came on as Supervisor after the property purchase. She enjoyed working with Jim and had

wanted to see it named in memory of James R. Jones. She agreed that others donated toward it and said a plaque should recognize all who donated.

Rodger Davis moved to rescind the motion made last month naming the gazebo. The motion died for lack of a second. Rodger asked, "What did Wayne Deaner want?" There was further discussion.

Lois Rankin noted the minutes from June 2012, which state: "*Wayne Deaner had presented updated information on the Gazebo project. He contacted Bill Jones at Penn United and Bill said the board had approved \$20,000 for the project; therefore, Wayne got three quotes for a 24 foot Gazebo. The lowest quoted price for a 24 foot Gazebo including delivery and set up is \$15,557. The lowest price was quoted by a company named "Gazebo Creations" located in Gibsonia. They are a COSTARS participating company. Concrete and electrical are estimated to be approximately \$2,500. Thrower Concrete Company has agreed to donate one half of the concrete. Bill Jones contacted Wayne indicating that Penn United would prefer writing the check to Jefferson Township and have them handle the details of having the Gazebo constructed. Penn United would like to have a plaque installed at the Gazebo; they will determine the wording on the plaque. After some discussion, Rodger Davis moved to accept the \$20,000 donation from Penn United and proceed with the 24 ft. gazebo project 'through the Township' and put Wayne Deaner in charge of the project. Seconded by Lois Rankin. All agreed and motion carried. Mr. Jones will be notified.*"

Rodger Davis referenced the minutes from May 2016, noting that Wayne asked that a dedication be held for the Gazebo in memory of Carl Jones and Jim Jones. The Board tabled the matter for consideration. Rodger said it has been made clear what Wayne's wishes were regarding the gazebo. Rodger Davis moved again to rescind the motion made last month naming the gazebo for Wayne Deaner. The motion died for lack of a second.

Recreation Committee

Rodger Davis reported on the August 3, 2016 Recreation Committee meeting. He stressed to the members present that 'communication' will be imperative in the coming months to keep things running smoothly. He noted that \$2,015 has been received in donations in memory of Wayne Deaner. He met with Donna Deaner and learned that Wayne was adamant about needing another set of bleachers at the Pony Field and they talked about Wayne's efforts and wishes regarding the gazebo. Rodger suggested this evening to contact Wendy Leslie to find out if we could get another set of 'handicapped accessible' bleachers for the Pony Field, and then the donations could go to something else in the park.

Baseball: The regular season has finished, successfully. They had a few championship games and held their 7 and 8 year old 'tournaments' on the weekend of July 23rd and 24th. The Baseball Association has graciously approved paying for the two other tables in the gazebo in memory of Wayne Deaner. (Two handicapped accessible tables are already being funded by the CDBG grant.) Brian Patten reported that he is stepping down as Baseball Field Maintenance Commissioner & Recreation Board Representative as of the end of 2016. He is, however, planning to volunteer as a member at large on the Recreation Committee, perhaps as the new president.

Pool: They have had a successful season due to the hot weather! They are organizing for the 50th Anniversary of the Pool next year. They are contacting Butler County Tourism and looking for sponsors to display advertising signs at the pool. They would like to have a "Community Day" in early August.

Softball: They had the annual tournament on July 22-24; there were 28 teams participating. Fall Ball registration is now open for all age groups. The season runs from Labor Day to the end of October.

Soccer: No report.

Park Projects: Leo Rosenbauer is following through on the Butler County Park Renovation Grant awarded to Jefferson Township. The grant money must be spent by November. He got quotes for the basketball back board, hoop and net, from BSN Sports. Butler Co. Parks Director, Gary Pinkerton, was able to get that quote reduced and will get them ordered. Leo obtained quotes for removal (and stump grinding) of 4 trees. The lower (phone) quote was \$1,050 from Moose's Tree Service. He will get that in writing and forward it to Gary Pinkerton to get a purchase order issued. There is one issue: the tree service has a crane that needs to get to the area and Leo asked if the road crew can temporarily remove the yellow bollard at the handicapped access to the Ladies' Pavilion. The other alternative is to remove the post and roll back the fence at the umpire parking area for temporary access.

New Business: None

Old Business: The "Saxonburg Neighborhood" Girl Scout group did a nice job on the Scout Pavilion. Viki Nulph has the paint delivered by Wayne Deaner and plans to get the entrance sign painted soon. Jim Jones reported that she was painting on Monday, Aug. 8th.

Misc. Business: Leo Rosenbauer suggested that perhaps the gazebo dedication could be postponed until the "Community Day" being planned by the Pool Association for next August. He noted two items needing addressed: 1) trim the branch over the Ladies' Pavilion to protect the roof/shingles, and 2) remove the double cherry trees behind the swing set on the other side of the fence (Maurhoff property). John Cypher said this evening that he will talk to Herb Maurhoff.

Rodger Davis introduced Rod Miller, who has expressed interest in volunteering to help with projects at the park. The associations can contact him directly. Rodger urged the Association members that if they see something that needs done...to just do it (i.e. clean up graffiti, pick up trash scattered on ground, etc.)

Viki Nulph suggested purchasing 3 trees to plant in honor of Carl Jones, Jim Jones, and Wayne Deaner.

Action Items: Request that the road crew check on removal of the bollard at the handicapped entrance to the Ladies' Pavilion. If not, may have to temporarily remove a post and roll back fence for access at the umpire parking area for the tree service.

Lois Rankin suggested re-contacting Phil Wain about landscaping at the gazebo. Rodger suggested that the Recreation Committee have input on how to use the donations made in memory of Wayne.

Lois Fennell noted that the 4 tables for the gazebo were delivered on Friday, Aug. 5th. The Board said the road crew could begin putting them together/installing them as time allows. Jim Jones said there are leftover bolts from the bleachers that could be used to secure them in the gazebo.

Road Foreman's Report

John Cypher gave the report submitted by road foreman, Bill Foertsch. The double seal project is scheduled for this week, depending on the weather. Date plaques were installed at all the housing plans.

The new Mack truck in on order. The build date for the cab (or tractor) is Oct. 1, 2016. The Supervisors discussed briefly and voted to 'trade-in' the old Peterbuilt truck.

The Supervisors reviewed a list of LTAP classes and authorized the road crew to attend the ones on 'Drainage' - Nov. 2nd in Westmorland County and 'Stormwater Facility, Operations, and Maintenance' - Nov. 7th in Indiana County. The Supervisors denied authorization to attend the PA One Call Safety Day on Sept. 15th in Monroeville this year.

Kevin Grey from Butler County Bridges confirmed in writing his discussion will Bill Foertsch that the Hannahstown Rd. bridge project is still on the books for approximately Oct. 1st.

There are new issues with the Skid Steer; this time the right drive motor and tracking need repaired. It could cost around \$3,000.

The 202 MF front loader sold on Municibid for \$2,800. A certified check is to be remitted when it is picked up, probably this week. The highest bid on the Trac-paver was \$1,711.00; it did not meet our reserve. That bidder was going to contact Municibid to find out if they could still purchase it at the reserve price.

Bill submitted quotes for line painting and re-painting the legends at the Bonniebrook/Great Belt intersection. The Supervisors voted to paint a single yellow center line on the same roads as last year for \$8,033.96 and to re-paint the legends at the intersection for \$1,100.00 (water-based paint.)

Bill got a price of \$14.69 per ton for anti-skid from McClymonds for this 2016-2017 season. He will be ordering 300 ton to stockpile by the end of this month.

Bill reported that the Co-Stars contract for salt came in at \$55.94 for Butler County through American Rock Salt. That is a savings of \$20.58 per ton!!

Planning Commission

Evie Gross, P.C. Secretary, reported on the July 28, 2016 Planning Commission (PC) meeting. The PC reviewed and approved a front set-back modification request for a proposed porch at 551 W. Main St., Saxonburg. After review of the same, the Supervisors voted to approve the modification for an approx. 39 ft. front set-back for the proposed deck at 551 West Main St., Saxonburg.

The PC reviewed a land development revision for Stoneybrook Drive submitted by Kevin Miller. They proposed to change two quads into four duplexes. It was apparent that the two quads are located in the Phase II, which would require new bonding and a new developer's agreement. The PC voted to approve the change from two quads to four duplexes contingent upon labeling of set-backs, rights-of-way, correctly labeling the building

numbers (#9 and #10 would be #9A, #9B, #10A and #10B) and resolving the matter of the developer's agreement and bonding with the Township Attorney. The Supervisors voted this evening to table any action on the matter pending re-submission of the plan with revisions and other documentation as may be required.

The PC reviewed and approved the revised Lot-Line Revision for Ron Paule for the property at the corner of Rt. 356 and Burtner Rd. There were several changes made to the original plan reviewed by the PC last month: All buildings are labeled and those non-conforming were marked (if applicable); the cabin has been marked 'to be razed'; Lot 1 has been revised (reduced) to 4.440 acres; Lot 2 has been revised (increased) to 3.023 acres; there is only one single family dwelling on Lot 1, which has a garage with frontage on Burtner Rd.; the drainage easements have been labeled; two well locations and three septic field locations have been labeled; and wording has been added to the plan in regards to Revised Lot 1: "*Any future development must comply with all current ordinances or applicable variances (i.e. multi-family should have public sewer and water.*") All of the contingencies/comments listed at the June 23, 2016 P.C. meeting had been met or resolved. The Supervisors voted on Aug. 8th to approve the R. A. Paule Plan (A Lot-Line Revision) as revised.

The Supervisors voted to authorize attendance and registration cost (if any) for township officials wanting to attend the following: The MS4 Class in Cranberry Township on Aug. 23, 2016 from 9 AM to Noon (sponsored at no cost by SPC.) The Subdivision and Land Development Planning Series to be held 6 to 9:30 PM on Oct. 27, Nov. 3 and Nov. 10th (sponsored by Butler County Planning and cost is \$60 per person.) The 'webinars' offered by Penn State Extension for a cost of \$40 each session: 1) Oct. 19th - 12 to 1:15 PM "Who Invited the PA PUC to the Planning Party" and 2) Nov. 16th - 12 to 1:15 PM "Safe Streets for Everyone." The session could be done at the township office and several people could meet here to view it.

August 8, 2016 Unfinished Business

The Supervisors were reminded to continue reviewing the Floodplain Ordinance Revision in order to make decisions on several areas that have 'options' to approve. Once the letter of final determination (LFD) is received from FEMA, the township will need to adopt the revised ordinance with 180 days. The last we heard was that the LFD was expected in Sept. 2016.

The Supervisors adopted revised fee resolutions #384 and #385 to reflect the new fee schedules submitted by Code.sys Code Consulting and Allegheny Inspection Service. The fee schedules are effective immediately for any 'new' permits and does not affect any permits already processed or are awaiting inspections. They also adopted a new general Fee Resolution #386 which needed to be updated because it must now refer to Resolutions #384 and #385 in regards to PA UCC (building code) inspections.

August 8, 2016 New Business

The Supervisors acknowledged receipt of information from the Nativity of the Theotokos Monastery about their "Walk-A-Thon" scheduled for Sept. 17, 2016. Last year, due to bad weather, they decided to stay on their premises; but this year they plan to offer the same route as was proposed last year (in Jefferson, Penn and Clinton Townships.) The Board appreciated the notification.

The Supervisors met with PennDOT Municipal Services Representative, Allen Williams, to learn about the PennDOT Multi-Modal Transportation Grant program. Chairman Cypher noted that it is a 70/30 grant. The Township would be responsible to pay the costs up-front, but the State would reimburse 70% of the costs. Mr. Williams suggested a 'companion' project to that of Summit Township to re-do Bonniebrook Rd. The Supervisors voted to proceed with the application and have Mr. Williams work with the road foreman and the township secretary to determine the scope of work and get the application submitted before the deadline in November.

The Supervisors voted to adopt the resolutions needed for the 2016 CDBG Funding application through the County of Butler. They adopted Resolution #387, designating Butler County to administer the CDBG and authorize signing the contract; the "Three Year Plan" Resolution #388; and the Fair House Resolution #389.

Miscellaneous and Public Business, August 8, 2016

- Received NOTICE from Gannett Fleming, Inc. regarding the Bachelder Gas Pipeline off Mushrush Rd. in Penn and Jefferson Townships (runs to Holy Trinity Well Pad). Responded with written "Municipal Land Use Letter" as requested (i.e. we have no zoning.)
- Received NOTICE from CEC (Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc.) that PennEnergy is applying for a renewal for a Permit to Drill and Operate an Unconventional Well - off Golden City Rd., Jefferson Twp. W-70 (1H).
- Received NOTICE from HRG, Inc. that PennEnergy Resources is applying for Permits to Drill and Operate Unconventional Gas Wells in Jefferson Township at 220 Neupert Rd., Cabot - West Pad 55, Wells 1H, 2H, & 3H.
- Received NOTICE from XTO Energy that they are in the process of applying for a permit for the proposed AK Steel D Unit 1H, 2H, & 3H Wells in Butler Township off McCalmont Rd.
- Received NOTICE from XTO Energy that they are in the process of applying for a permit for the proposed Boyle A Unit 6H well in Clearfield Township, of Old Rt. 422.
- Received NOTICE from Range Resources re: location of Allen Well, 8H, in Clinton Township, Westminster Rd.

Major Expenditures since the July 11th meeting through August 8, 2016:

Advanced Truss, Inc. - bal. due on garage renovation	\$61,511.50
Sharon Moser - return of fire ins. escrow funds	5,332.00
Chase Card Services - gazebo tables ordered & repairs to Skid Steer	6,324.23
Health Assurance - Aug. premium	2,997.17
Air-Vac Equipment Co. - polyflex for crack sealer	5,337.00

The Newsletter

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TOWNSHIP OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday - 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM & Friday mornings - 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM.

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. & April)

L. John Cypher, Chairman Lois Rankin, Vice-Chair. Rodger Davis, Supervisor

Planning Commission – 4th Thursday at 7:00 P.M. except for Nov. 19 & Dec. 17, 2015)

Members: Leo Rosenbauer (Chairman), Evelyn Gross (Secretary), Danielle Sedlak, (Vice-Chair), Bill Montgomery, Kathryn Foertsch, Gary Stone, James C. Jones, Robert Wetzel, and Robert Williams

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

Members: (Vacancy) (Chair.), (Vacancy) (Secretary), Viki Nulph, Greg Bauer (Pool), Brian Patten (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.

The Tax Collector is Nadine Grabe - 724-352-3288

245 Heller Rd., Butler, PA 16002

Hours for the School Tax Collections.

August, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31 September 20, 21, 22, 27, 29 and 30th from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Other times are again by appointment. Call - 724-352-3288.



Butler County's 2016 Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collections:

2016 Dates: August 20, September 17, October 15 and 29,

November 19, and December 17 (winter dates are weather permitting.)

Just for clarification...the contractor cannot take large freon appliances like full-size refrigerators and freezers.

By Appointment (pre-registration required) 1-866-815-0016; Location: 129 Ash Stop Rd., Evans City, PA 16033

Butler County Department of Recycling & Waste Management

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Butler, PA 16003

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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!

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