



# **JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER May 2016**

## **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

**Interested persons please contact the Township Office if you desire to become a member 'at large' from the Township with intent to become Chairman of the Recreation Committee.**

### **Recreation Committee**

Wayne Deaner reported on the May 14, 2016 meeting. They are still in need of a new 'member at large' that would intend to become chairman of the Recreation Committee. He reported that the security camera system is being installed. It was reported that Jefferson Township received a Butler County Park and Renovation Grant of \$5,850 with a local match of \$1,950 for a total project of \$7,800.00.

Baseball: Opening day was Sat., April 30th. They have not yet scheduled any tournaments. The maintenance shed rehab is in progress.

Pool: They have three work days scheduled: 5/14, 5/16, and 5/21. Opening day is Sat, May 28th. Some rehab work will be done in the pump house. They will be contacting sponsors to display advertising signs at the pool.

Softball: The season started for ages 8 to 10 and age 12. Age 15 and 18 start in mid-May. The Saxonburg Fast Pitch Tournament is set for July 22-24th. They had no field or park issues to report.

Soccer: Wayne Deaner reported that there was vandalism at the Soccer concession stand. Thanks to Soccer having security cameras in place, the vandals were identified by the police and repairs are underway.

Park Projects: Jeff Stull of Thrower Concrete donated concrete blocks to place at the Rt. 356 park entrance to discourage unauthorized entry. The Supervisors directed that a thank you letter be sent.

Old Business: The Recreation Committee asked the Supervisors about a dedication plaque or sign identifying Penn United Technologies as the donor in memory of Carl Jones and James Jones. The Board tabled the matter for consideration. The Committee would like to get 4 picnic tables for the gazebo and ask for donations. It was suggested the Township find out if any CDBG funds could be used to purchase one or two for handicapped accessibility. Leo Rosenbauer will remind Classic Signs one more time about re-painting the Rt. 356 park entrance sign. If they don't get it done in a week or so, he'll get the paint for Viki Nulph to do it. The Supervisor directed a thank you letter be sent to Rich Weleski for planting flowers and mulching at the park entrances.

### **Road Foreman's Report**

John Cypher read the report submitted by road foreman, Bill Foertsch. Chairman Cypher reported that the road crew completed the berming project for 2016. All the scrap has been hauled away to Garvin's Auto Salvage, who paid the township over \$2500 for 13 truck loads. The maintenance garage was cleaned out and renovation is underway. The road crew primed and painted the interior wall before the contractor started. The Hustler mower starter had to be rebuilt and a new pto clutch was installed. Signs were ordered to place at housing plans regarding seal coating this summer; a placard will be added when dates have been determined. The Supervisors voted to purchase three new outside motion lights for the maintenance garage man doors to replace broken and damaged ones. The road crew will be patching roads and continuing preparation of roads for chip sealing this summer. They will also do some crack sealing as time and weather allow. The first mowing is planned for towards the end of May. The Supervisor agreed to look into getting estimates to

replace the 2007 Peterbuilt truck with a new 10-ton and will consider whether to trade or sell the Peterbuilt. The Supervisors agreed to check with other townships to see if there is interest in purchasing the old 1959 Massey Ferguson front loader.

## **Planning Commission**

Leo Rosenbauer, P.C. Chair, reported on the April 28, 2016 Planning Commission (PC) meeting. They reviewed the St. Luke's land development proposing a roof over the existing cement pad. After the P.C. made a number of comments that needed to be addressed, they voted to table action on the plan, pending re-submission. They also discussed St. Luke's plans to pave the parking lot (or a portion thereof). They submitted a copy of their 2000 Storm Water Plan, which included a pond that was sized for anticipated improvements (the school facility and a worship center.) The worship center was not built. The P.C. requested that the information be sent to the Township engineer for review to be sure the pond will handle the flow.

Mr. Rosenbauer reported to the P.C. in regards to the re-use of the pad on John Jerich's property for another temporary water tank for fracking wells (by XTO/Mountain Gathering). The Supervisors, upon advice from the Township Attorney, required XTO to verify in writing to the Township that the tank to be built would be within the same footprint (or would be smaller) and that the proposed work would not result in any changes to the Storm Water Management Site Plan. These contingencies were met.

Kevin Miller approached the P.C. with a preliminary drawing proposing to covert two planned quads to four duplexes (same number of units and density.) The P.C. told Mr. Miller to contact the Township Attorney about whether this changes the agreement with the Township (i.e. developer's agreement and bonding of improvements.)

## **May 9, 2016 Unfinished Business**

The only unfinished business item was discussed under the road report - sale of old front loader.

## **May 9, 2016 New Business**

The Supervisors discussed briefly and tabled for consideration whether to quote or bid for gas and diesel this year (July to July contract.)

The Supervisors are agreeable to participating in the annual "Electronics Recycling Event" held in Saxonburg. Lois Rankin said it will likely be in September, but no date has been set yet.

The Supervisors received a letter from Butler County Emergency Services regarding the "All Hazards Mitigation Plan". They want to run it by the Emergency Management Coordinator before a resolution is adopted (to adopt the County Plan.)

## **Miscellaneous and Public Business, April 11, 2016**

- Received NOTICE from XTO Energy that they are applying for a well permit for the proposed Briston B Unit 4H well in Butler Township off Dutchtown Rd.
- Received NOTICE from Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. that PennEnergy Resources is applying for a 'temporary waterline' (above ground) placement along the edge of the well pad access, off Dinnerbell Rd.
- Received NOTICE from Gannett Fleming that they will submit a "water management plan amendment' to DEP for approval to withdraw water from the Paul Smith pond.
- Received NOTICE from XTO Energy that they are submitting a well permit renewal affidavit for the proposed Kiley B Unit 3H well off Becker Rd.
- Received NOTICE from XTO Energy that they are applying for a well permit for the proposed Christensen Unit 5H well off Saxonburg Rd.
- Received Well Location Plat for from Range Resources for the Allen, John 10202 Well 6H/7H off Westminster Rd. in Clinton Twp.

### Major Expenditures since the April 11 through May 9, 2016:

AmeriHealth Casualty Service - w/c premium payment	1,203.91
Advanced Truss, Inc. - 25% deposit on garage renovation	27,315.25
West Penn Power - pre-pd. service for security system	1,855.58
Dillon, McCandless, King, Coulter & Graham - legal fees Feb.	2,550.00
Purvis Brothers, Inc. - gasoline and diesel	1,703.00
Thrower Communications - 50% of security camera system	4,955.00

### 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: [www.jeffersonbutler.com](http://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: [jefftwpbutlerpa.@zoominternet.net](mailto:jefftwpbutlerpa.@zoominternet.net) - 352-2324.

### 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.

*Office Closed 5/26 beginning at 11:30 and on Friday 5/27, as well as Memorial Day Holiday May 30th.*

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

**Board of Supervisors** – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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** – 4<sup>th</sup> 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** – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday at 8 P.M. Feb. to Oct. (no meetings Nov., Dec. & Jan.)

Members: (Vacancy) (Chair.), Wayne Deaner (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 - 352-3288

**HOURS FOR COUNTY/LOCAL TAX PERIODS:**

April 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28 from 4:30 to 7:30 P.M.

and the only Saturday is April 30th from 10 AM to 12 Noon.

Or otherwise by appointment - 724-352-3288.

Nadine will NOT be available to take payments between May 14th and May 22nd.



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

**2016 Dates:** May 21, June 4 & 25, July 16, 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**

**124 West Diamond St. PO Box 1208**

**Sheryl Kelly, Environmental Specialist, Recycling & Waste Mgt. Coordinator**

**Butler, PA 16003**

PROP-Certified Recycling Professional

**Phone 724.284.5305**

**Email [skelly@co.butler.pa.us](mailto:skelly@co.butler.pa.us)**

**Web Site [www.recyclebutler.us](http://www.recyclebutler.us)**

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

## Do you live in Jefferson Township?

*You may be eligible to have your windows, furnace, roof or more replaced!*



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

### **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.*



**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**



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