

BENEZETTE TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
December 2, 2025

The Benezette Township Board of Supervisors held their monthly meeting on 12/02/2025 at the Township Building, 105 School House Rd. Benezette, PA. Present were Supervisors **Amanda Maholtz** and **Dave Weber**. Supervisor **Tom Wilson** was not present. Please see the sign-in sheet for visitors present. **Amanda Maholtz** began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, MEETING FLOW REVIEW & PROTOCOL:

Meetings are tape recorded each month and transcribed to create meeting minutes.

MOTION TO ACCEPT NOVEMBER 2025 TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES:

FIRST: MAHOLTZ SECOND: WEBER YES: 2 NO: 0
COMMENTS: NONE

MOTION TO ACCEPT NOVEMBER 2025 TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S REPORT:

FIRST: MAHOLTZ SECOND: WEBER YES: 2 NO: 0
COMMENTS: NONE

ADOPT TRASH ORDINANCE: Supervisor Maholtz stated the proposed trash ordinance was advertised in the Courier Express for the required seven days and was also posted on the township website.

FIRST: MAHOLTZ SECOND: WEBER YES: 2 NO: 0

COMMENTS: The dumpsite will still be open from 5am – 6pm, weekends included. One of the supervisors will close the dumpsite at 6pm. The supervisors will also be responsible for opening and closing the dumpsite on the weekends.

A resident stated private residents cannot get their own dumpsters from Waste Management. Maholtz stated we will contact Waste Management to try to get a representative to our next meeting. A resident asked how the township is going to enforce the ordinance. Maholtz answered that once everything is under control and the cameras are in place we will be able to review the footage to identify violators and capture license plates.

SUPERVISOR WILSON'S RESIGNATION: Tabled until Special Meeting on December 18th at 4pm, so Tony Copello has a say in who will be appointed.

FIRST: SECOND: YES: NO:
COMMENTS: NONE

FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK: Remove Tom Wilson as a signer on all First Commonwealth Bank Accounts. Tabled until Special Meeting on December 18th at 4pm.

FIRST: SECOND: YES: NO:
COMMENTS: NONE

2026 PROPOSED BUDGET: 2026 budget will be adopted at the Special Meeting on December 18th at 4pm.

FIRST: MAHOLTZ SECOND: WEBER YES: 2 NO: 0

Next Township Monthly Meeting – Monday, January 5, 2026 @ 6:00 pm

COMMENTS: Bob Davis questioned the proposed budget; Wendy told him he and anyone else are more than welcome to make an appointment to go over the proposed budget line by line. This was also advertised in the Courier Express that the proposed budget was available for review by appointment. Supervisor Maholtz explained to Bob Davis that he is looking at the previous budgets vs actuals, which is why there is such a big difference in the numbers. Maholtz stated we can print the expanded version for anyone who requests it.

USED BACKHOE PURCHASE: Supervisor Weber stated he received two quotes on used backhoes; a John Deere and a Case. The Case 580 is a 2019, it has less hours than the John Deere. The trade-in value is \$10,000 if we purchase the Case. The price of the Case delivered to the township is \$44,700. Supervisor Maholtz made a motion for Dave and Mike to look over these pieces of equipment and make the decision on which piece of equipment to purchase in the best interest of the township.

FIRST: MAHOLTZ SECOND: WEBER YES: 2 NO: 0

COMMENTS: A resident asked what the price of the John Deere is, Weber stated the John Deere is \$44,500, it has 1000 more hours, a year older, and no trade-in value. A resident asked if Weber looked at both and Weber has not yet.

A resident states they assume this purchase is already in the budget. Supervisor Maholtz stated yes, the township has the money for the purchase.

MEDIX GRADE TAKEOVER AGREEMENT: This ordinance has been advertised in the Courier Express and will be adopted at the Special Meeting on December 18th at 4pm.

A resident asked if there is a date for the takeover. Supervisor Weber stated it will be 30 days after the township signs the ordinance. A resident asked how much Liquid Fuels money the township will lose; Weber stated the township will lose \$6,800. It takes more than \$6,800 to maintain that road.

CANCEL CONTRACT WITH ADVANCED OFFICE SOLUTIONS: Wendy stated the contract with Advanced Office Solutions is for businesses, not an office with one person printing to a printer. The township has spent \$551.83 from May - November 2025 on the contract plus overage printing fees; \$450.30 for the contract and \$101.53 for overage fees. The township does need a new printer because our printer has reached its life cycle, but we do not need this contract. The township goes through one toner cartridge per year. We can get a toner cartridge for about \$70. The township is not getting anything out of this contract other than giving this company money.

FIRST: MAHOLTZ SECOND: WEBER YES: 2 NO: 0

COMMENTS: A resident asked what the township is moving to if we are keeping the same printer. Wendy answered that the township has ordered a new printer. Advanced Computer Systems will be setting up the new printer.

ROADMASTERS REPORT: In your packets

TOWNSHIP PUBLIC FORUM:

Bob D. asked who the auditors are for next year. He received a letter that he was elected but he doesn't know who else was elected. Wendy will reach out to Kim F. for the results. A resident asked how many auditors are elected, Bob D. answered 3.

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Chuck stated he asked the board two months ago if the town would support some of the issues he brought up to the Game Commission and DCNR. He was in the process of putting a meeting together. Supervisor Maholtz stated she is supportive as a Township Supervisor and she would attend the meeting if she is available. The Supervisors are willing to attend the meeting and talk about the issues. Chuck stated that the town supports needs to be put in the minutes. Maholtz stated the individual Supervisors support. The Supervisors want what is best for the town.

TOWNSHIP PORTION OF THE MEETING ADJOURNED:

FIRST: MAHOLTZ SECOND: WEBER YES: 2 NO: 0
COMMENTS: NONE

BENEZETTE TOWNSHIP SEWAGE AGENDA
December 2, 2025

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COMMENTS: NONE

MOTION TO ACCEPT NOVEMBER 2025 SEWAGE TREASURER'S REPORT:

FIRST: MAHOLTZ SECOND: WEBER YES: 2 NO: 0
COMMENTS: NONE

SEWAGE PUBLIC FORUM:

John R. stated there was a fire in Blue Sky in October. He was asking if the sewage account could be made inactive for the time being due to the resident losing everything in the fire. Bob D. asked what the Sewage Ordinance says in this situation.

Supervisor Weber stated no, once the account is active the account must stay active, and the resident is responsible for paying the sewage bill.

Bob D. asked if there are any current sewage issues, i.e., fines, delinquent accounts, updates.

Wendy stated there are a couple accounts that are being sent to collections on Wednesday because they are delinquent over \$1000. Wendy has reached out multiple times, and they have not paid, so the Township Solicitor can handle these accounts.

SEWAGE MEETING ADJOURNED:

FIRST: MAHOLTZ SECOND: WEBER YES: 2 NO: 0
COMMENTS: NONE

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SIGN-IN SHEET

Tuesday, December 2, 2025

1	Michael Kosty	16	please print
2	Joe Weitz	17	please print
3	John Roush	18	please print
4	Dot Trayer	19	please print
5	Denise Weber	20	please print
6	Rt Di	21	please print
7	Amanda Nowak	22	please print
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