

## Kepple Avenue in Parks Twp. is Reopened

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### OFFICIALS CUT RIBBON FOR RE-OPENING OF KEPPLE AVENUE

Kepple Avenue in Parks Township has been recently reopened after being closed in January 2005 due to a cave in caused by severe winter weather. The extensive repairs totaled over \$475,000 and took the efforts of township, county and state officials to obtain funding. The township contributed money it saved from the capital and state funding portions of its annual budget; they also took out a \$276,000 low-interest loan from the state. The other \$137,000 was obtained through a \$100,000 state grant secured through State Senator Jim Ferlo, a \$10,000 state grant secured through State Representative John Pallone and a \$27,000 county grant that the Armstrong County Commissioners approved.

The street is an important passage in the community; it is part of the route to a school and fire station. The re-opening of Kepple Avenue is the first phase in a two phase project. The second phase involves improving West Penn Road, which will be widened and to correct work to a drainage issue.



Pictured in the photo from left to right are: George Nicksic, Assistant to Senator Ferlo,

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Commissioner Patty Kirkpatrick, Mary Ralston, Parks Twp. Secretary / Treasurer, Senator Jim Ferlo, Commissioner Jim Scahill, Bud Shannon, Parks Township Supervisor, Representative John Pallone

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