

MARTIC TOWNSHIP
LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: July 7, 2014

PLACE: Township Building, 370 Steinman Farm Road, Pequea, Pa. 17565

ATTENDANCE: Duane Sellers, Carl Drexel, Beth Birchall and Richard Drumm, Jr. were present. Ted Irwin arrived later.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL TO ORDER: Duane Sellers called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and then led with the Pledge to the Flag.

MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel, to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2014 Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed (4-0).

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 1, 2014. With no questions, a motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Richard Drumm, to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed (4-0).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment was heard

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Gas Pipeline update/info: Duane Sellers commented that he understands that seismic testing is taking place in various areas. Carl Drexel commented that the board is still gathering information and that the governing authority for a pipeline is outside of the Board of Supervisors authority. Comment was heard from Tim Spiese of 55 Covered Bridge Road, who stated that there is an upcoming meeting scheduled in Conestoga. Also, Williams has announced that they are planning another meeting in Millersville for sometime towards the end of July for the public to comment at; the proposed meeting in Martic is on hold until a date is set for the Williams meeting.

Road Department:

Duane Sellers read the June report:

- The week of June 2, they fixed water runoff issued on Camelia Land and Pencroft Dr S, mowed road banks, fixed side gutters on Hilldale Rd and Bethesda Church W, built a curb and patched a hole in the township driveway.
- The week of June 9, swept roadways scheduled for tar and chipping, Water runoff issue on Oak Glen Rd, chipped trees with Jared's Tree Service on Loop Road
- The week of June 16, cleaned side gutters on Loop Rd, pot holes on Horse Hollow Rd, Old Holtwood Rd they worked on gutters and pot holes, mowed and sprayed rail trail, sprayed guard rails, Tar & Chipping with Martin's
- The week of June 23, fixed curbs on Westview Rd and Township driveway, paved end of Clearview Rd over pipe work, so that PennDOT could finish paving Red Hill Rd, base repair in Lakewood, more tree work with Jared's Tree Service on Martic Forge Loop Rd, continued mowing and spraying various locations.

2014 proposed paving: A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Richard Drumm to advertise for the 2014 paving season, Covered Bridge Rd, Steinman Farm Rd portion (Martic Heights Dr – Hilldale Rd), Martic Forge Loop Rd and Hilldale Rd portion (Bethesda Church Rd W – cul-de-sac).

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The motion passed (4-0).

Code Enforcement Officer's Report shows: 7 building permits, 1 zoning permits, 7 SWM permits, 3 Building U & O's and 3 Zoning U & O's permits were issued in June 2014.

SEO Report shows: 2 inspections, 1 perc and probe and 3 sewage permits was issued in June 2014.

June 2014 invoices: Duane Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Richard Drumm to approve the bills with the addition of Cintas for \$ 97.70 and Justin McCracken for \$100.00(employee reimbursement) which brings the grand total to: \$108,200.26. The motion passed (3-0) with Carl Drexel abstaining in accordance with Section 1103(j) of the Ethics Act and noting that his public disclosure memorandum is on file in the township office.

NEW BUSINESS

2014-2015 PennDOT Winter Maintenance Agreement; a motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel to sign this agreement to plow Martic Heights Dr. for the state. The motion passed (4-0). Comment was heard from Justin Doutrich with the Lanc Newspapers, who asked if the agreement stayed the same as before? Yes it did, per Duane Sellers.

Esther Steele, follow up to the judgment award. Comment was heard from Ms. Steele's attorney, Dennis Shumaker who asked the Board to consider waiving the repayment of the judgment it had against her, due to hardship. Carl Drexel stated that this all could have been avoided if she would have worked with the Township from the beginning; however nothing was done until Judge Mylin got involved. Duane Sellers commented that the Township has been very lenient throughout this process and Judge Mylin granted Ms. Steele three extensions to have the property cleaned up. Ted Irwin commented that the items that are still on her property could be sold and used towards the repayment. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel to file a lien on Esther Steele's property at 324 Hilldale Road, for the \$3,567.71. The motion passed (5-0).

An enforcement notice was sent to Daniel Fisher of 548 Drytown Road, for illegally running a Dog Kennel. Dennis Shenk commented that Mr. Fisher went before the ZHB last year requesting a Special Exception, to allow him to operate his kennel. His request was denied, however he still opened and is operating his kennel. Mr. Shenk noted that there are several dog kennels at two locations on his property along with an office and an established website directing customers to his address. He's estimating there to be about 30-40 dogs on the premises. Mr. Fisher has until July 19th to either apply for an appeal to the ZHB's denial or have all items removed from his property. A motion was made by Ted Irwin and seconded by Carl Drexel to file a civil action against Mr. Fisher if he hasn't done either of the two options by the July 19th deadline. The motion passed (5-0).

A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Beth Birchall to allow the Road Dept to attend 3 LTAP classes this fall. The motion passed (5-0).

330 Hilldale Road barn board's info: Ted Irwin provided an update to the Board. The best price he received was for \$1000 for the boards. After discussion, it was decided that Ted Irwin will go back to the gentleman and ask for a price on the interior beams as well. He will also get prices on siding for the barn and present it to the Board at their August meeting.

Double cul-de-sac on Camelia Lane: The Township has heard back from its solicitor regarding this issue. Since it is part of a recorded subdivision plan, the property owner will need to request a waiver from the Lanc Co Planning Commission and resubmit a revised plan eliminating the second cul-de-sac. The secretary will contact Mr. Maiuri the property owner and explain to him the steps he would need to follow.

Beth Birchall has been contacted by the Township's insurance company regarding its auto and equipment insurance renewal. The premium will be going down, for the upcoming year. She did ask our

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agent to stop out and take pictures and measurements of our insured buildings, since it hasn't been done lately. Carl Drexel asked if the vehicle values have been checked with regards to the fire company's equipment. She will check on this. Comment was heard from Mike Hall of 462 Red Hill Rd.

Wells Fargo Ginnie Maes – Beth Birchall commented that while checking on our Trestle fund in Ginnie Mae, that there was \$100,000 cushion in place. Also, the general fund Ginnie Mae account has a \$150,000 cushion in place. After discussion, a motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Carl Drexel to leave \$50,000 cushion in the general fund account and reinvest the other \$100,000. The motion passed (5-0). Comment was heard from Mike Hall.

Also, regarding Wells Fargo, Beth Birchall received a request from them, for a form to be signed which confirms that the Township does not have any bonds with this institution. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Ted Irwin to sign their requested form and send it back. The motion passed (5-0).

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for August 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

They're being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers
Secretary to the Board of Supervisors
Martic Township