

MARTIC TOWNSHIP
LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: July 1, 2013

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

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL TO ORDER: Duane Sellers called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM, with a moment of silence and then led with the Pledge to the Flag.

MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Richard Drumm, to approve the minutes from the June 3, 2013 Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed (5-0).

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 1, 2013. With no questions, a motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded Carl Drexel, to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed (5-0).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None was heard

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Eric Imboden updated the Board on his Eagle Scout project; to hang bat boxes in the Martic Township Park. He stated that it was a great success and asked the Board's permission to sign off on his paperwork. After several thankful comments from the board, Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Duane Sellers, to approve signing his paperwork and to reimburse Eric for his supplies which cost \$231.89. The motion passed (5-0).

Mike Bursen, the education director with the Lancaster Co. Conservancy; gave an update on Camp Snyder, on Frogtown Road. He supplied a 5 year plan report to the board, for review. He commented that since his visit to the board in April, the several school groups have visited the property, along with some Scout troops. Trout Unlimited has expressed interest in working with the Conservancy. There is a small teacher workshop scheduled for this summer. Kathy Gonick, with the Conservancy, also commented that this property is a launch to the other preserves in Martic, making people aware of them. The Pinnacle and Kelly's Run are expected to be donated, by PPL to the Conservancy in the next month. Then there will be more this fall. Comment was heard from Jake Werhel.

Bob May with Lanc. Emergency Management updated the Board on ambulance services. Martic is now being served exclusively by LEMSA. There have been some changes to the southern end. As of, August 4, 2013, there will be a new station situated at the Buck Company and the Providence truck will be moving to Quarryville. Duane Sellers asked if Martic can begin receiving reports. Mr. May will begin providing these reports twice a year, along with a visit to the Board. Beth Birchall asked if both trucks are out, who is sent. County Dispatch, 911, will always be able to find the location of the caller and send an ambulance. Comment was heard from Bill Birchall regarding the proposed Walmart for the Buck area. Mr. May commented that the second unit at the Buck will be much needed. It was also noted that LEMSA provides a lot of training with the local fire companies.

Ted Irwin commented and gave an extensive explanation of the options available to a government entity, regarding pension options for its full-time employees. With this being said, there were several

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questions that needed answered on a questionnaire that the Township had received from PSATS-Group Retirement Plan.

- Normal Retirement Benefit: ask for a quote on all 3 levels: 1%, 1.25% & 1.5%
- Average monthly earnings will be averaged over the final 36 months.
- Vested 100% after 5 years of service
- Standard form of annuity- Life Annuity
- Participant contributions – if was noted that the township employees, to date, have never been asked to contribute to their pension plans. After much discussion, a motion was made by Ted Irwin and seconded by Carl Drexel to ask for a quote in the 3-5% contribution range. The motion passed (5-0). Ted Irwin will contact PSATS and ask if the range is acceptable. If he finds out that it must be a single number percentage, a motion was made by Ted Irwin and seconded by Carl Drexel to make that number 4%. The motion passed (3-2) with Beth Birchall and Richard Drumm voting against.

ACT 167 – County’s Stormwater Ordinance requirement. The Township’s engineer, Wilson Consulting had asked the Board if they would prefer to pay for the engineering services for the ACT 167 Storm Water Management Plan Update, as a proposal or their flat hourly fee. After review of the submitted proposal, a motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Beth Birchall to accept Wilson’s proposal for engineering services. The motion passed (5-0).

Wilson Consulting had submitted to both Martic and Conestoga, alternative solutions to the Trestle Bridge grant project. After discussion, a motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Richard Drumm, to schedule a meeting with Mark Wilson and Conestoga, to review and finalize the alternatives. The motion passed (5-0).

Planning Commission Report: no meeting was held in June 2013.

Road Master’s report was given by Duane Sellers, who announced that Mike Rankin has accepted a position with another company and is no longer with the Township. Mike has clearly left the Township in better condition, than when he first came to work for the Township. Mike’s expertise in all of the areas that he was involved, is going to be greatly missed. It was noted that they had some rain in the month of June that had them changing plans numerous times. Topsoil was top priority, but with the rain, it almost made it impossible to get done. They took care of a lot of small things that needed attention.

For July the topsoil should get finished and line painting is scheduled for the week of July 8th. This will put the township in real good shape for the remainder of the year, as all major outsourced projects will be done. The salt shed needs emptied out and dug to grade so it can get paved and get back in compliance. Pipes will get replaced. Work on Bethesda Church Road and Covered Bridge Road in Marticville will begin, for the 2014 season, such as milling, reclaiming and paving these roadways.

Zoning Officer’s Report shows: 3 building, 4 zoning, 5 Building Use and Occupancy and 5 Zoning Use and Occupancy permits were issued in June 2013.

SEO Report shows: 1 perc and probe, 1 inspection and 2 septic permits were issued in June 2013.

NEW BUSINESS

June 2013 invoices: Richard Drumm made a motion which was seconded by Duane Sellers to approve the bills with the addition of Cintas Uniforms for \$33.18, Drexel’s Auto for \$32.00 and Montage for \$157.30 which brings the total to: \$ 58,634.25. The motion passed (4-0) with Carl Drexel abstaining in accordance with Section 1103(j) of the Ethics Act and noting that his public disclosure memorandum will be kept on file in the township office.

Beth Birchall commented that she has checked with Susquehanna Bank regarding their direct deposit policy. They would charge a flat fee of \$24.97 per month to administer the direct deposit. Beth Birchall

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made a motion, which was seconded by Richard Drumm to table this issue for now. The motion passed (5-0).

RVFC Auxiliary – gave notice of a food sale on August 2 & 3, 2013.

RVFC – gave notice that both Pequea and Rawlinsville helped at the Relay for Life Fundraiser which was held on June 29th.

Beth Birchall commented that the fire company's merger attorney, Matt Creme is waiting for a court date for sometime in July and then things should be finalizing.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for August 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

They're being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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