

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: June 4, 2012

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

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL TO ORDER: Duane Sellers called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM and led 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 May 7, 2012 Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed (3-0).

Notice was given of an Executive Session, which was held on May 21, 2012 to discuss a personnel issue.

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending June 1, 2012. With no questions, *a motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Carl Drexel, to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed (3-0).*

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ray Scott- 25 Stump Rd. – Commented on the positive changes to the township. Comment was also heard on the municipal mowing contract and the purchasing of tools from Harbor Freight. Duane Sellers, Carl Drexel and Mike Rankin responded.

Chuck Grimasuckas w/ Providence Ambulance, along with Bob May w/ LEMSA – commented on the changes taking place at Providence Ambulance. Providence Ambulance will be merging with LEMSA. Mr. May commented that he intends to be emailing regular update reports to the township. Mr. May explained that they do a membership drive and utilize grants, for funding. At this time they are not considering a more centralized location, but it is something for them to look into.

Tammy & Marvin Weaver- 132 Frogtown Rd. – commented on a fence/property line dispute they are having with their neighbor. Dennis Shenk, Zoning Officer explained that, the township does not handle property-line disputes. He also explained that he visited the property and explained to them that an engineered survey must be done to determine the exact property lines and then if there would still be any further dispute, then they would need to contact Judge Stewart Mylin's office, our local Justice of the Peace. Mr. Weaver requested that the fence be grandfathered in on his property and Duane Sellers explained that the Township cannot do that because it does not want to be drawn into a property-line dispute.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sean Bernheisel commented that his Eagle Scout project is finished at the Township Park. He blazed a pink trail in the Martic Township Park. His supplies were generously donated to him, therefore he incurred no expenses. He requested the Chairman's signature on his Eagle Scout paperwork.

Mike Rankin gave the Road Master's report:

The month of May they were getting ready for the pipes to be replaced, finished mowing the road banks, spent time clearing and grubbing. They also won the auction from the PennDOT Municipal sale for a tandem axle dump truck. It was taken to the garage to be gone over and to make sure that it is in

'ready to go' condition. Next it will be painted and then lettered. They will be getting the new pick-up truck lettered. They also were out spraying weeds on the Pequea route, but they still need to finish the twp.

For June they hope to be replacing pipes, hoping the permits come through. After that they can proceed with paving Stump Rd. Mike had talked with Jordan Martin about tar and chip and was told sometime in July, he is not very happy with this and next year it will be different. They will start the next sections of Hilldale Rd. beginning at Rt. 324 to Maple Springs, then continuing south. This will include clearing and grubbing, shoulder clean-up and base repair. Martin's will be filling our tar buggy for crack sealing, when our roads are chipped.

Comments were heard from: Ray Scott and John Strausser.

Winter Maintenance Agreement: *Duane Sellers made a motion, which was seconded by Beth Birchall to table discussion until the July meeting. The motion passed (3-0)*

2012 auditor's discussion: *Duane Sellers made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel to table discussion until the July meeting. The motion passed (3-0)*

Fire Company merger update: Carl Drexel gave the update on the fire company merger. RVFC is still waiting for the tax issue to be cleared up. Everyone is still on board to move forward with the merger and is very amicable.

Emergency Management regionalization update: Duane Sellers gave the update on the EM regionalization. Lanc. Co. Emergency Management requested a Memorandum of Understanding be signed between Martic, Providence & Pequea townships, appointing Anthony Williams as the EM Coordinator for the three municipalities. Duane Sellers has signed on behalf of Martic; Tony is working on getting signatures from Pequea and Providence.

The Lancaster Conservancy meeting update: Duane Sellers attended the meeting on May 22nd, filling in for Ted Irwin. He was asked to reach-out to Lt. Gibble with the PA State Police to attend the next meeting. It was decided to have more No Parking signs posted along River Rd. Comment was heard from Nate Ruckinger w/ Lanc. Co. Conservancy that they have had volunteers at Tucquan Glen over the weekends directing visitors to other Conservancy owned properties.

Rentals:

364 Steinman Farm Rd. – the Board had asked Denny Shenk, ZO, to submit a list of the repairs that this property should have done, prior to renting it out. Now that they've received this list, Duane Sellers asked if he could get a dollar estimate of the work, for the Board's review.

631 Martic Heights Dr. – Carl Drexel commented that the A/C unit quit working and we had Groff's Plumbing and Heating stop out. It was determined that it had a bad compressor along with a leak in the system and finding parts would be very costly. The outside unit is 16 years old, while the unit in the attic is 22 years old. Carl had Groff's submit a proposal on replacing the system. To replace both the air handler and the outside unit, the cost would be \$4,335.00. *A motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Beth Birchall to have Groff's replace the A/C unit. The motion passed (3-0).*

The Planning Commission report: No meeting was held in May.

Strausser Engineering's request for 7355 River Road, Conestoga. The majority of the site is in Conestoga Twp., Strausser's requested that Martic waive the requirements for plan processing and transfer the review, process and record the plan to Conestoga Twp. *A motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Carl Drexel, to send a letter waiving the plan processing and to give the authority to Conestoga. The motion passed (3-0).*

Zoning Officer's Report shows: 1 minor land, 10 new construction, 3 other permits, 10 site inspections & 3 U & O's were issue in May 2012. Comment was heard from Mike Rankin, is the township making sure that when a driveway permit is issued, that we are requiring the ends to be paved? Denny Shenk responded that yes, the township requires the first 8' to be paved.

The SEO Report shows: 1 perc & probe & 3 permits were issued in May 2012.

NEW BUSINESS

May 2012 invoices – *Duane Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Carl Drexel to approve the bills with the addition of Cintas Uniforms for \$31.65, which brings the total to \$29,092.01. The motion passed (3-0)*

Rawlinsville Volunteer Fire Company fire police notified the township that they were asked to help with traffic control at the SECA 500 Walk on June 16, 2012 in Quarryville.

Secretary requested vacation for the week of July 15th. Due to a lack of quorum, the request has been postponed until the July meeting. Mike Rankin requested to have July 5, 2012 off for vacation. *Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel to allow him to take off. The motion passed (3-0).*

A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Duane Sellers to declare English the official language for all township business. The motion passed (3-0).

Duane Sellers commented on a notice the township has received regarding a Federal Regulatory Commission Notice of Application. This notice addresses the fact that on March 19, 2012, PPL Holtwood, requested removal of 11 parcels totaling approximately 1,260 acres of land in order to convey the land to the Lancaster County Conservancy. This notice allows for the filing of Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene. After comment: *A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel, to have Duane Sellers respond, on behalf of the township. The motion passed (3-0).* Comment was heard from Kevin Boyer, John Strausser, Ray Scott, Doug Metzler, Dennis Shenk, Chuck Erb and Nate Ruckinger w/ the Conservancy.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for July 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

They're being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm by a motion from Beth Birchall.

Respectfully submitted,

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