

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: October 4, 2021

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

ATTENDANCE: Beth Birchall, Duane Sellers, Carl Drexel, and John Ulaky, were present.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

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

MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

Carl Drexel made a motion, which was seconded by Beth Birchall, to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2021, Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed 4-0.

Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel, to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2021, Budget Workshop. The motion passed 4-0.

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending September 30, 2021. A motion was made by John Ulaky and seconded by Carl Drexel, to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion passed 4-0.

John Ulaky made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel, to approve the bills for payment totaling \$78,226.71, which includes the State's Fireman Relief payment and the Township's donation to the Rawlinsville Volunteer Fire Company. The motion passed 4-0.

SUPERVISOR'S PLAN REVIEW:

1190 Holtwood Road – BRDR Holdings / Risser Grain Subdivision plan. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel that the BRDR Holdings – Risser Grain, revised Final Subdivision Plan submission, that Martic Township grant the waiver request of Section 400 – Subdivision and Land Development, to prepare and process a Preliminary/Final Subdivision plan for LSF Ag Group, LLC and BRDR Holdings to subdivide a 28-acre parcel of land containing an AG business from a parent tract of 149.786 acres, which will be in Drumore Township and to defer to the Drumore Township Board of Supervisors the full plan review only and thereafter be returned to Martic Township for final signatures. The motion passed 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None was heard

AMBULANCE:

Bob May with Lancaster EMS gave an update on the Ambulance situation in Martic Township and surrounding townships. Emergency medical services is still in a national crisis. Low pay, no retirement and little or no new recruits who are looking to make this service a career. It is a high-risk job because you are dealing with civil unrest, along with mental health patients. When a patient's insurance is billed for their services, the law states that the insurance company must submit payment to the patient, who is then to forward that payment onto the ambulance that provided those services. Unfortunately, most patients do not understand this and keep the payment. Because of the lack of reimbursement and lack of municipal support their organization is in dire straits. He has now begun to look into an EMS Authority, which he feels does have its merits. Beginning in 2022, Lancaster EMS is requesting that every municipality, served by them, provide an equitable annual financial stakeholder share. This number was calculated by the number of 9-1-1 EMS responses within the municipality, as a percent of

total responses for all municipalities. For Martic Township, they requested \$10,092 and last year Martic gave \$15,000. Martic is the only township in Lancaster County that is fully supporting ambulance services. Lancaster EMS is considering pulling its services from the townships that are not providing annual support. Comment was heard from Cindy Kreider, 22 Quail Run, stating that maybe when they send out their annual support letters, they include a newsletter, which lets people know the information that was just presented.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Road Department: Dave Williams gave the report for September.

Week of September 5th

Observe Labor Day Holiday. Fix pipe inlet area on Nissley. Fix area on Pennsy at Trout Run. Clean gutter on Pennsy. Meet Conservancy representative on Wendy Dr. to discuss drainage issue. Take flat tire to shop for repair. Open pipe inlets on Stump. Clean stone off road on Stump. Repair washouts on Pennsy. Pick up tire from shop. Investigate water runoff complaint on Bridge Valley. Mow Stump, West View, Fox Hollow and House Rock.

Week of September 12th

Take T-91 to shop for repair. Open grates in Lakewood. Repair washouts on Rail Trail. Get rid of bee's nest on Rail Trail. Fix washout on Nissley. Replace missing delineators on Magnolia and Creamery. Fix pipe inlet areas on Tucquan Glen and Pencroft North. Remove flood debris from Tucquan Glen and Pencroft South. Pick up T-91 from shop. Check pipes in Holtwood. Pick up mower parts and repair mower. Mow Rail Trail, Hilldale, Frogtown and Loop.

Week of September 19th

Pave pipe crossing on Pennsy. Pave low shoulder on Hilldale. Install asphalt curb on Steinman Farm. Road check. Fix washout on Pencroft North. Open pipes on Old Holtwood, Street, Hilldale and Pennsy. Widen Marticville Rd. at Rail Trail entrance. Check roads during heavy rain and wind event. Open pipes, cut trees and clean debris off multiple roads.

Week of September 26th

Road check. Open pipes on multiple roads. Clean mud off of Horse Hollow. Fix pipe inlet on Frogtown. Pick up filters for backhoe. Change oil and service backhoe. Investigate parking complaint on Lake Aldred. Grease skid loader. Change cutting edge on snow plow for John Deere tractor. Fix low shoulder on Ridge. Open pipes, clean gutter and fix low shoulder on Magnolia. Clean stone off of Maple Spring, House Rock and Clark Hill. Replace spreader light on T-90. Winterize roller. Mow Bradys Hill, Douts Hill and Short.

Victor Ressler – 817 Susquehannock Dr / RVFC President, thanked Martic's Road Crew and Dave Williams for the 2nd dry hydrant, which was placed on the Wissler property.

Dave Williams commented that he received an email from the sales rep for the 2023 Peterbilt Truck which the Board approved ordering at their July 6th meeting. Unfortunately, with the shortage of supplies in the trucking business, Peterbilt has dramatically increased production costs. Martic has the option to either cancel its order or proceed with the order at an anticipated higher price. He also stated no one will be able to order or receive trucks in 2022 and possibly 2023. Duane Sellers stated that we will need the new quote, in writing, and we will need it for the budget meeting.

Dave Williams commented that we still have the 2000 Int'l 2554 4x2 single axel dump truck. The gentleman who was interested in purchasing the truck sent us an email that he is dealing with Covid, but he is still has interest. No further communication has been received. Beth Birchall stated we should give him until the November meeting.

Zoning Officer Report: 8 building and 6 zoning permits were issued; along with 2 Use and Occupancy and 4 Certificate of Use permits.

Sewage Enforcement Officer Report: 3 inspections were done.

Rail Trail

Carl Drexel commented that PennDOT has placed the 4-way STOP signs at Route 324 and Red Hill Road. The warning signs are gone; however, the new STOP signs have the amber flashing lights on top of them. John Ulaky commented that those flashing lights belong to PennDOT, and he anticipates them being removed after 30 days. He recommends the Township purchasing 2 solar flashing lights to replace the ones that PennDOT will remove. A motion was made by John Ulaky and seconded by Carl Drexel to purchase and replace those lights. The motion passed 4-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Township's Feasibility Study results. Jim Caldwell w/ Rettew Associates, along with Michael Esterly from Professional Design & Construction, LLC (PD&C) presented the Township's facilities feasibility study. This study demonstrated the cost differences between renovating and bringing the Township's current facility up to code, which includes making it ADA compliant, verses building new structures, using the plans that Drumore Township used when they built. Duane Sellers stated that no decision was being made at this meeting, but that this is just the beginning of the process. A project like this would take years to complete, as there are many variables to consider. Comments were heard from: Sara Crill, 176 Hilldale Road, Ryan Anastasio, 44 Creamery Road, Victor Ressler, 817 Susquehannock Drive, Stephen Fisher, 96 Creamery Road, Elam Miller, 300 Douts Hill Road and Frank Peiffer, 59 Creamery Road.

Duane Sellers called for a short recess at 8:45 pm. The meeting reconvened at 8:48 pm

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 10-04-21 ACT 50 of 2021, Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act, As this ordinance was duly advertised and posted, Duane Sellers read the caption of the ordinance and called for a roll call vote. The Ordinance passed by roll call vote. 4-0.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building for a budget workshop and then again on Monday, November 1, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers
Martic Township Manager