

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: July 3, 2017

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

ATTENDANCE: Beth Birchall, Duane Sellers, Carl Drexel and Don Snyder were present. John Ulaky was absent.

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.

Duane Sellers announced that an Executive Session was held on June 8, 2017, between the two Zoning Hearings, to discuss the litigation on Donald Hess.

MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

Don Snyder made a motion and was seconded by Carl Drexel, to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2017 Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed 4-0.

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 1, 2017. With no questions or comments, a motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Don Snyder, to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed 4-0.

Fulton Bank presentation:

Fran Haldeman, from Fulton Bank's Cash management division, spoke on bank interest and performances in the different accounts that Fulton has to offer. There would be fees, however they are negotiable.

Mike Wiggins – Fulton's investment, spoke on our current Ginnie Mae investments, some have a 20 year maturity. They could offer something similar, but with a shorter maturity.

Andrew Gordon- Fulton relationship manager- commented that they also offer an investment team to help. It was mentioned that Manor Township as well as Quarryville Borough utilizes Fulton's services. Barb Stokes 888b Hilldale asked which types of investments they might recommend. They offer certificate of deposits and similar items.

OTHER BUSINESS – PUBLIC COMMENT:

Robert Derr of 576 Marticville Road commented on his next door neighbor's property at 574 Marticville Road. A letter was sent about the unmowed grass and the condition of the house with a 30 day limit. The limit was not up. The property owner, after receiving the letter, did mow the property. Denny Shenk is trying to contact the property owner about the condition of the house.

Kevin & Rachel Myers of 573 Marticville Road commented on the amount of speeding on Marticville Road (Rt. 324). They asked if it is possible to have more police patrol this area. After discussion, Duane Sellers will contact the PA State police to alert them to the issue. Comment was also heard from Robert Derr.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Donald Hess enforcement 1146 Marticville Road: Duane Sellers gave an update. Contractors are reluctant to estimate the cost to clean up the property at 1146 Marticville Road, without making an inspection of the property. The township's solicitor has contacted Mr. Hess' attorney and based on the Judge Ashworth's Order, which was rendered on April 28, 2017 and authorized the Township to enter onto the Property, remove all of the items from the Property and dispose of such items as trash; the Township will be entering the property on Thursday, July 13th to conduct an inspection to determine

compliance with Judge Ashworth's Order. The Township will then mark all items to be removed. Rain date, the following date. Then on July 20, 2017, the Township will enter onto the Property again so that any contractors interested in submitting a bid, may conduct an inspection and view the items to be removed. The Board of Supervisors will then be opening and reviewing any proposals at their August 7th meeting.

James & Mary Louise Hostetter, 850 Susquehannock Drive – Stormwater Management Financial Security release request. Final inspection was conducted by Wilson Consulting Group's Brian Gilbert on June 6, 2017. The total original financial security for this project was for \$16,395.84. After the first inspection, some money was released and \$6,420.29 was recommended to remain. After completion of the final inspection, WCG recommended a release of the remaining surety with conditions. A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Don Snyder, to approve the release of the remaining surety for 850 Susquehannock Drive, the James and Mary Louise Hostetter property, conditioned upon completion of the projects final certification by a qualified person and that the drawings and as-built plans are recorded. The motion passed 4-0.

Jonathan Kloppmann, 225 Magnolia Drive, request for Comcast to re-evaluate Magnolia Drive for service. The Township had sent Comcast a letter requesting they evaluate Magnolia Drive for service. Comcast, after surveying the road, stated that it would only pass 7 dwelling units, which did not meet the required build obligations found in the Franchise Agreement. Comcast declined the construct cable service for Magnolia Drive. Mr. Kloppmann disagreed with Comcast's evaluation and requested that Martic request that Comcast revisit and re-evaluate the roadway. After discussion, a motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel to have Mr. Kloppmann contact Comcast direct, as they feel the Township has already done its due diligence regarding the issue. The motion passed 4-0.

PSATS Pension update: The manager was asked to clarify the costs for the Township for each diversified plan. After checking, the cost for the Township would be approximately \$6,000 for each plan vs the new fee of approximately \$12,654 if the Township chose to do nothing. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Don Snyder to switch the Township's Pension plan to the 60% - 40% diversified plan. The motion passed 4-0. (See June minutes for clarification)

Clearview Road – Lanc County Conservancy parking issues, no parking: A resident has complained that when the LC Conservancy met on their new property, on Clearview Road, cars were parked all over his property. Duane Sellers commented that this is a continuing problem with Conservancy owned properties. The visitors to the properties are inconsiderate of privately owned properties. After discussion, a letter will be sent to the LC Conservancy asking them to be more sensitive to the other land owners and note that typically unintended consequences develop when they open their properties up to the public. Also, a motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Beth Birchall to contact the Township's solicitor to see if an addendum can be added to our current No Parking ordinance, to declare No Parking on any Township roadways. Comment was heard from Barb Stokes and Todd Simone. The motion passed 4-0.

Road Report: Todd Simone read the road report for June 2017 as submitted to the Supervisors.
6/1- Final layout on Pinnacle Road. D/O T07 Insp. Shoulder work and bank widening on Pinnacle Road. R.O.W mow.

6/5-6/9- Block garage clean out. Salt spreader rack p/u. R.O.W. mow. Sign work. Crystal Drive road work/widening complete. Street Road base repair complete. Pinnacle Road widening start and base repair. Final layout on Street Road. R.O.W mow. Sign work.

6/12-6/15- Street Road cross pipe replacement. Mow rail trail. R.O.W. with boom mower. Pinnacle Road widening started. Sprayer cleaned and repaired. Tire repairs to R.O.W. mower. Sign inventory.

6/19-6/22- Spray guiderails throughout township. Safety Day expo in York. Sign work. Sweep roads.

Sat. 6/24- Tree removal from road way on Pennsy Road. Large red oak with root rot. 2 guys 2 Hrs

6/26-6/29- Street Road widening. Tree clean up. Road prep. Pinnacle Road widening. Sign work. Tar and Chip: Creamery Rd., McKelvey Rd., Pennsy Rd. Shoulder work.

Double Yellow Lines will be painted this week (7/5-7/7) on Tar and Chip Roads!! @16,895 LF

Henry Stoltzfoos' Pipe plan on Pinnacle Road, by the new school house. A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Beth Birchall to install the catch basin at the new school house using 6 sections of pipe to extend the drain past the schoolhouse. The motion passed 4-0.

New "Stop Ahead" sign on Hilldale Road just north of and approaching Martic Heights Drive and on Martic Heights Drive, east of and approaching Hilldale Road at 3-way "STOP". There is already one coming west on Martic Heights Drive.

ROAD COUNT: Bethesda Church Rd. East - 200, Oak Glen Road. – 512, Lakewood Dr. – 292, Stump Rd. – 165

All Bid Road Work and Tar and Chip has been completed.

Beth Birchall asked if Todd could touch base with Dave Walters, RVFC, regarding the emergency contact list, so that the Township is contacted when emergencies on our roadways occur.

Zoning Officer Report shows: 2 building permits, 1 sign, 6 zoning permits along with 4 building use and occupancy and 1 zoning certificate of use permit were issued in June.

The SEO Report showed 1 inspection, 1 perc/probe and 3 septic permits were issued in June.

June 2017 bills: Carl Drexel made a motion which was seconded by Don Snyder, to approve the bills for payment from the general fund totaling \$20,208.24. The motion passed 4-0. A motion was made by Don Snyder and seconded by Carl Drexel to approve the Long's Asphalt Inc. invoices for payment from the State Fund (Liquid fuels) totaling \$213,190.73. The motion passed 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

PLGIT investments: Information was received from PLGIT regarding new investment options for short-term reserves. Beth Birchall commented that she would like some time to look into this and requested that further discussion be tabled until the August meeting. Carl Drexel commented that he would agree, however since account applications were sent to be filled out, he made a motion to have the Treasurer go ahead and fill them out, just in case there is a deadline. The motion was seconded by Don Snyder. The motion passed 4-0.

Lanc County Assoc of Township Supervisors' summer meeting & dinner on August 29th. The fee is \$23.00/per person. A motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Don Snyder to have John Ulaky, Carl Drexel, Beth Birchall, Don Snyder, Duane Sellers and Karen Sellers attend the LCATS summer dinner/meeting and pay the fee. The motion passed 4-0.

Rawlinsville Fire Company Auxiliary notifications: July 8th and August 5, 2017 for Food Sales.

Duane Sellers and Carl Drexel met with some fire company personnel. There is more to the fire company than just fighting fires. The fire company plans on putting out to the public more information regarding everything they do.

Duane Sellers commented that the rail-trail bid packet is ready to go out. This is in association with the approved grant that both Martic and Conestoga Township will receive to resurface the trail, our parking lot and signage. Unfortunately, this will not include the issues with the Rt. 324 crossover. Duane Sellers also commented that regarding the pipeline crossing the rail-trail. Williams will be boring under the trail, so as to not disturb the new surface. Comment was heard from Barb Stokes.

Ross Insurance gave the new quote for Township insurance. The total increase of insurance will be \$59,549. This is partly because of accidents that have occurred in the Township in the past several years which is affecting the general liability. Also workers comp coverage will be increasing. Beth Birchall will ask that Ross Agency re-evaluate 364 Steinman Farm Road, since it was updated and renovated after the fire last year. In question is the replacement value for the block garage behind the office. She also stated that a new updated active fire fighters list must be submitted.

Bridge Valley Lane is a private lane with two houses located on it. The fire company questioned whether or not the Township should send the property owners letters requesting they widen the lane so that, if needed, a fire truck could get down it. After discussion, since this is a private lane, the fire company should be the one who sends out the letters.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for August 7, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

They're being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm by a motion made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Don Snyder.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers
Martic Township Manager