

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: July 1, 2024

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

SUPERVISORS ATTENDANCE:

Beth Birchall, Jay Kreider, Charles Stouff, Kevin Boyer, and Ryan Fisher were present.

CALL TO ORDER:

Jay Kreider called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led with the Pledge to the Flag and a prayer was said.

MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

Ryan Fisher made a motion, which was seconded by Kevin Boyer, to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2024, Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending June 30, 2024. A motion was made by Jay Kreider and seconded by Charles Stouff, to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed 5-0. Beth Birchall explained that the Ginnie Maes has been put out for bid by Wells Fargo. She will give the Board an update once she knows.

Charles Stouff made a motion, which was seconded by Kevin Boyer, to approve the bills for payment totaling \$207,865.61. The motion passed 5-0. Comment was heard from Duane Sellers 161 Hilldale Road.

Ryan Fisher made a motion, which was seconded by Charles Stouff, to approve the bills for payment, from the State Fund, for the 2024 Paving project, totaling \$50,634.40. The motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Victor Ressler – Rawlinsville Fire Company President stated that their next Public Safety Meeting will be held on July 22, 2024.

Ryan Anastasio, 44 Creamery Road stated that Pequea Twp has a truck for sale. In attendance, Jeff Kreider, Pequea Township's Supervisor stated that it has a lot of mechanical issues.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Road Department: Dave Williams read the report for June.

Week of June 2nd

Road check. Cut downed trees on Hilldale, Street, and Old Holtwood. Repair low shoulder on Hilldale, Spraying guide rails, signs, and delineators on multiple roads. There was mowing done on multiple roads.

Week of June 9th

Road check. Install new delineators on Street and Bradys Hill. Work on the berm machine and try to find a replacement belt. Oil and Chip Pennsy. Cut trees on Hollow Woods. Install dry hydrant at Olde Forge Campground. Callout for trees and wires down on Old Pinnacle. Closed Old Pinnacle until Frontier can install new poles and remove wires from the roadway. Clean debris off of the roadway and reopen Old Pinnacle. Mowing on multiple roads.

Week of June 16th

Dave was on vacation. Road check. Clean up the downed tree on Ridge. Took T-84 to shop for inspection. Callout for tree and wires down on Covered Bridge. Closed Covered Bridge Road until PPL

could get wires reinstalled. Mowing on multiple roads. Helped Strasburg Township with pipe installation. Installed new belt on berm machine. Cleaned shop.

Week of June 23rd

Dave was on vacation. Road check. Mowing was done on multiple roads. Pressure washed and did preventative maintenance on trucks and equipment.

Discussion was held on purchasing a pounder head for a post driver for installing guide rails. Unfortunately, the only company that installs guide rails is backed up for 2-3 months. Other Townships have been having the same issues. We can rent the post driver from Buck Rentals but need a bigger head. Comment was heard from Duane Sellers and Carl Drexel, 725 Martic Heights Drive. After discussion, a motion was made by Jay Kreider and seconded by Kevin Boyer to purchase the head. The motion passed 5-0.

Ryan Fisher asked about the tires for the truck. We will be replacing the tires.

The Freightliner truck is ready to be picked up either this week or next. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Kevin Boyer to have Dave Williams pick it up and sign the documents. The motion passed 5-0

Camelia cul-de-sac: Dave Williams has found more documents from when the cul-de-sac was placed, however nothing indicates that the Township took ownership. If we were to move forward with taking ownership, core samples would need to be provided by the current owner. After discussion, a motion was made by Jay Kreider and seconded by Beth Birchall to have Dave Williams contact the owner and Jay will contact our attorney for the process and cost. The motion passed 5-0.

Carl Drexel asked for a status update on the 2nd truck which was ordered. Dave Williams stated that the last he heard, it was scheduled to be built on November 8, 2024. Therefore, we will not have it for the winter.

Zoning Officer Report: 4 building permits, and 4 zoning permits were issued in June.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None was heard

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 07-01-24 Fire Company – Participating Members Activities for Workers Comp. Passed by Roll Call vote, 5-0. This is done annually for the worker's comp policy.

Emergency Management – Mike Hall spoke to the Board regarding his qualifications to serve as the Martic Emergency Management Coordinator. Mr. Hall was appointed at the June Supervisors meeting as the new EMC. Mr. Hall lives at 462 Red Hill Road and is a Township resident. He has assisted the previous EMC for the past several years and has been certified. He has met with Lanc Co Emergency Management and they are working on a 5-year plan. He would also like to bring our flood mitigation plan up to date. Comments were heard from Duane Sellers and Carl Drexel.

AG Preserve Board has requested to add land to the Township's established Area: 569 Marticville Road, 88.8 acres, and 567 Marticville Road, 91.1 acres. The property owners are Bryan and Julene Harnish. A motion was made by Jay Kreider and seconded by Beth Birchall to approve the request and opt for the 180-day procedure. The motion passed 5-0.

Rettew has submitted a Stormwater Management design addendum for the Municipal building project. After discussion, a motion was made by Jay Kreider and seconded by Beth Birchall to approve the addendum. The motion passed 5-0.

Selective Insurance Umbrella Liability quote options. Beth Birchall explained that it is time to renew our insurance for the year. We are covered for up to 3 million, however, they have given us two more options which would raise those limits. After discussion, a motion was made by Ryan Fisher and

seconded by Jay Kreider, that the Township move forward with the 3 million, however, Ryan will contact our agent at BCF Group for more information on our liability exposure, with the option to increase the umbrella policy if necessary. The motion passed 5-0. A comment was heard from Duane Sellers.

Workers Comp Insurance is also renewing. The Township thought we might have another option for our Worker's Comp coverage, which includes Rawlinsville Fire Company. Unfortunately, the only option available to us is through AmTrust.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for August 5, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by Ryan Fisher and seconded by Beth Birchall at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers
Martic Township Manager