

MARTIC TOWNSHIP
LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Work Session

DATE: September 16, 2026

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

ATTENDANCE: Beth Birchall, Ryan Fisher, Kevin Boyer, Duane Sellers and Charles Stouff were present. Also attending was Matt Sipel, Road Foreman and Adam Johnson, Rettew, along with several members of the Amish community.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL TO ORDER: Ryan Fisher called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and led with the Pledge to the Flag.

Parochial School Privy Design was discussed. Dennis Shenk, Zoning Officer and Adam Johnson, Twp engineer, put together design/requirements list that they feel is necessary. Adam Johnson explained that both the zoning officer, the building inspector, along with himself, were at the school for inspections and found numerous issues. What was installed and the plan the Supervisors approved, did not hold true. The Zoning Hearing Board, when rendering their conditional approval, directed the school board to design and present a plan to the Board of Supervisors to approve. This did not happen. The first new requirement is to place 2/50 gal insulated tanks on the roof that could be filled with water for hand washing. Comment was heard from Elam Beiler 1161 Lancaster Pike, Drumore and a member of the school board, asked who decided on 50-gallon tanks? The problem they will have is accessing the tanks to keep them clean. Menno Stoltzfus, 865 Marticville Road, apologized and commented on the 5 gal buckets that were hanging from the rafters and had no water in them when the inspection took place. Aaron Stoltzfus, 180 Magnolia Drive stated that they have done research and you can get 75-80 hand washing from a 5-gallon bucket and should only need filled every couple of days. Adam Johnson stated that the thought process is bigger tanks would last longer. Duane Sellers stated that the design requirements is an attempt to sufficiently cover the Zoning Hearing Board requirements and something they as Supervisors could approve. Comments were also heard from Andrew Beiler Jr, 541 Clearfield Rd, Levi Beiler 499 Frogtown Road. After discussion, they are proposing a 5-gallon insulated tank, in each privy. Something that can be cleaned out and easily filled. Levi Beiler will install one in the one privy, set it up to operate and have Dennis Shenk, Adam Johnson and Pete Kingsley, Commonwealth Code, out to inspect and take pictures. The Board will then review the photos and hear comments from the inspectors, to see if the set-up is going to work. The Supervisors review will take place at their October 5th meeting. With regards to the list of other items, they are fine with implementing them.

NPDES – Municipal project update. Adam Johnson stated that the 1st technical review came back to the Township last week. Rettew is in the process of working on the changes, updates. He did have two comments that he wanted the Board to be made aware of. The first item was when they prepared the permit application, they felt that the existing stormwater management basin could be enlarged. Since DEP is questioning the reasoning, they will scrap the idea to make it bigger and leave it alone. The seconded item is the proposed discharge location above the Sellers' pond. DEP would like 150' area 'forested'. According to the Township's agreement with Sellers, the plan was to bury the pipe deep and plant grass for the horse's pasture. Adam stated that they will let DEP know that they will improve the water quality further up and closer to the building site but will be leaving the design at the pond and pasture alone.

Regarding the municipal project, Beth Birchall asked permission from the Board to move the PLGIT Capital funds into the PLGIT Savings fund to meet the RCAP requirements. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Ryan Fisher to move the funds. The motion passed 5-0.

The 2027 Township budget discussion began, with an emphasis on the Road Department. Input was

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heard from Matt Sipel, the Township's Road Foreman.

Matt Sipel would like to apply for a Local Share Account grant to purchase a new mowing tractor. He will begin working on the paperwork and have the application requirement of a Resolution, to the Board for an upcoming meeting.

The Supervisors also discussed the 2027 State Fund budget (Liquid Fuels).

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for October 5, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers
Martic Township Manager