#### MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE October 6, 2025

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.

#### **MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT**

Kevin Boyer made a motion, which was seconded by Ryan Fisher, to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2025, Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

Kevin Boyer made a motion, which was seconded by Charles Stouff, to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2025, Budget Meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending September 30, 2025. A motion was made by Kevin Boyer and seconded by Charles Stouff, to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed 5-0.

Charles Stouff made a motion, which was seconded by Kevin Boyer, to approve the bills for payment totaling \$296,830.96, which includes a check for Anna Stoltzfus for \$200 who weeded the flower beds at our 364 Steinman Farm Rd rental. The motion passed 5-0.

Ryan Fisher made a motion, which was seconded by Kevin Boyer, to approve for payment from the State Fund (Liquid fuels) \$58,680.50 to Long's. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Jay Kreider and seconded by Kevin Boyer to recess the Supervisors meeting and to open the Public Hearing to review and adopt the Comcast Cable Franchise Ordinance and Agreement. The motion passed 5-0.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING for Comcast Franchise:**

Township manager, Karen Sellers read:

The Board of Supervisors acknowledged receipt at the September 2, 2025, meeting.

Proof of the legal advertisement has been received.

The proposed Ordinance and Cable Franchise Agreement was made available for public inspection at the Township building and at the office of Lancaster Newspapers.

Jay Kreider asked for any public comment. With no comment being heard Jay Kreider made a motion, which was seconded by Beth Birchall to close the Public Hearing and reconvene the Supervisors meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

# ORDINANCE 10-06-2025A - Comcast Franchise Ordinance and Agreement

Beth Birchall moved, which was seconded by Jay Kreider, that Ordinance 10-06-25A, granting a nonexclusive franchise to Comcast of Southeast Pennsylvania, LLC, be enacted and that the Comcast Television Franchise Agreement, pertaining to internet service with Comcast, be approved. I furthermore move that the officials of the Township be authorized to execute on behalf of the Township, the Ordinance and the Cable Franchise Agreement. A roll call vote was called for and the roll call passed 5-0.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Beth Birchall commented on Data Centers and what she is hearing and reading. As Martic has never had to plan for anything like this in the past, she would like the Township's Attorney to weigh in on

what, if anything Martic should be doing to manage the development of them. Comment was heard from Bill Birchall Tucquan Glen Rd.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Road Department:** Report for September was on the counter for everyone to pick up. Week of August 31<sup>st</sup>

Observe Labor Day Holiday. Road Check. Investigated complaint on Drytown Road. Remove bees' nest on Rail Trail. Cut a tree on Pennsy. Change engine oil in backhoe. Pick up parts for backhoe. Troubleshoot problems with T-05. Take tools out of T-05 and took to shop for repair. Repair workbench in shop. Mowing and boom mowing on multiple roads. Trimming around signs and guide rails.

# Week of September 7th

Road Check. Blow loose stones from multiple intersections. Cut tree on Street. Repair washouts on Hilldale. Repair low shoulder on Tucquan Glen. Matt and Dave took pesticide recertification classes. Equipment maintenance. Picked up supplies for finishing work on Wendy Drive Project. Clean up weeds from rental property landscaping work. Mowing and boom mowing multiple roads.

# Week of September 14th

Install new speed limit sign on Fox Hollow. Pick up topsoil for Wendy Drive Project and complete finish work on the project. Winterize weed sprayer. Measure roads for line painting. Repair light bar on T-84. Put big rocks in washout on Douts Hill. Picked up mulch for landscape work at rental property and office. Pick up shop supplies. Meet with Long's Asphalt to mark Stump Road Paving Project. Mowing and boom mowing on multiple roads. Road check. Service chain saws. Winterize roller.

## Week of September 21st

Make and install notification signs for Stump Road. Road check. Push fallen trees off of Old Pinnacle, Old Holtwood and Hilldale. Repair signpost bracket on Maxwell. Pick up new truck from Rivers Truck Center. Check proper operation of new truck and equipment. Traffic control on Douts Hill due to tree falling and bringing down Frontier wire. Fix washout on Pennsy. Open stormwater runoff on Hilldale. Fix washouts on Creamery. Clean out scrap metal from garage by office and take to scrapyard. Help with two-way radio installation in mowing tractor and new truck. Repair loader. Meet with resident to discuss dead tree removal on Stump.

## Week of September 28th

Cut dead tree on Stump. Road Check. Fix washouts on Pencroft South. Paving Project on Stump for 2 days. Spread and roll millings from Stump on dirt portion of West View. Locate underground pipe connecting ponds on Steinman Farm.

We did receive the Western Star truck. Setting up the radio in the truck took some time. They still need to pickup the plow and side boards, which were forgotten. October 14<sup>th</sup> the lettering will go on the truck.

Wendy Drive is done. Just touching up a few spots. Stump Road was paved and done.

The Local Share Account grant is open again for next year. We applied for this grant last year and are still waiting to see if we will receive this money. If we apply again, he would like to put it towards pipe replacement on Hilldale Road, between Tucquan Glen sports farm driveway. Since a stream is involved we would need to involve our engineer and receive permits from the state. After discussion, a motion was made by Charles Stouff and Jay Kreider to apply for the LSA again and contact our engineer to get started on the survey. The motion passed 5-0.

**Zoning Officer Report:** 9 building, 5 zoning permits were issued.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Ordinance 10-06-25B Stop Sign Ordinance. Beth Birchall moved that the amended traffic ordinance # 12-1-97 be updated to include stop signs at Maxwell Road and Lake Aldred Terrace, Maxwell Road and Ridge Drive. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-0.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

2026 Non-Uniform Pension Minimum Municipal Obligation was received from PSATS. A motion was made by Charles Stouff and seconded by Jay Kreider to pay the 2026 MMO for the Non-Uniform Pension at \$23,428. The motion passed 5-0.

1063 Hilldale Road – Consent Agreement due to Enforcement. An enforcement was sent on June 24, 2025, to 1063 Hilldale Road regarding the numerous unregistered vehicles, assorted junk, etc. As no appeal was filed and the property was not cleaned up by the date granted, the case went before magisterial District Judge Mankin on September 30, 2025. Landowner agreed under oath that they violated the Zoning Ordinance and agreed to clean up the property and reimburse the Township for the fees paid to our solicitor. They would sign a Consent Agreement and pay the Township. As of the date of this meeting, the Consent Agreement was received, however no reimbursement payment. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Ryan Fisher to conditionally approve the Consent Agreement and only sign it after a payment has been received. The motion passed 5-0.

# **RVFC Worker's Comp Notices:**

None

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for October 20, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Rawlinsville Fire Company to discuss the DCED findings report. Also on October 14, 2025, at 6:30 pm at the Municipal Building for a Budget meeting. Along with the next monthly meeting to be held on November 3, 2025, at 7:00 pm at the Township office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm by a motion from Beth Birchall and seconded by Kevin Boyer. Before the meeting was closed, a motion was made by Charles Stouff and seconded by Jay Kreider to reopen the meeting to hear additional Public Comment. The motion passed 5-0 to reconvene.

Dwayne Long 476 Martic Heights Dr and Becky Brown 480 Martic Heights Dr commented on the people speeding on Martic Heights Drive. They also commented that trucks have twice caught the Frontier lines, and the second time pulled the pole down. They have called the State Police about both of those instances. After discussion, there is nothing the Township can do about Frontier and their lines, as they have been called several times about them, but we can ask the PSP to have a presence to help discourage speeding.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm by Ryan Fisher and Kevin Boyer. The motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers Martic Township Manager