

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: August 3, 2026

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

SUPERVISORS ATTENDANCE: Beth Birchall, Charles Stouff, Kevin Boyer, Ryan Fisher and Duane Sellers were present.

CALL TO ORDER: Ryan Fisher 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 Charles Stouff, to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2026, Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 31, 2026. 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 Duane Sellers, to approve the bills for payment totaling \$296,035.30. The motion passed 5-0

LANCASTER CONSERVANCY – Brandon Tennis & Keith Williams

Keith Williams spoke about the Climbers Run project. Everything is underway, it is closed to the public and they are hoping to be completed by next year.

Brandon Tennis spoke about the prescribed burn they have scheduled. This will take place at the Clark Preserve, as well as at the Reed Run preserve. It is called a low complexity burn and is being performed by the PA Game Commission. Notifications have gone out to the RVFC, Martic and neighboring properties. The purpose is to keep the properties a meadow and not allow woody vegetation to take over.

Lancaster Riverhills Master Plan is moving forward. They are currently pulling together regional plans, adding in comments from the public survey that is taking place. To date, 300 people have responded to the survey.

SUPERVISORS REVIEW:

266 Douts Hill Road – SWM plan. Stephen G. Stoltzfus has requested a portion of his Financial Security be released. Adam Johnson with Rettew was out and did an inspection and has recommended that \$31,195.80 be released, which would leave a balance of \$3,466.20. Once he has the As-Built, he will recommend the remainder be released. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Charles Stouff to release \$31,195.80 back to Stephen G. Stoltzfus. The motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Keith Williams 226 Frogtown Road – commented that he runs with Wakefield Ambulance and they had 3 calls in Martic, all ALS units, that had response times of 12 minutes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Road Department: Report for July was on the counter for everyone to pick up. No questions or comments were heard.

Week of July 5th

Entire township road check. Storm cleanup from weekend storms. Continue with road bank mowing. Cleaned storm grates throughout the township. Trim back bamboo on Pennsy, Tucquan Glen and

Pencroft Roads. Prepare items for Municibid. Misc. shop work. Met with Duane Sellers to look at access for removal of foot bridge in the Martic Park. Took T-101 truck to Cassel's for lettering. Met with Kevin Boyer regarding the potential Horse Hollow Road abandonment. Emergency call for fallen tree on Frogtown Road.

Week of July 12th

Entire township road check. Mill and pave sections on Hilldale and McKelvey Roads. Continued with road bank mowing. Measured roads for line painting. Repaired gravel sections of Tucquan Glen Road. Worked on clearing access to the foot bridge in the Martic Park.

Week of July 19th

Emergency call for downed tree on Douts Hill Road. Entire township road check. Removed foot bridge from the Martic Park. Completed storm water swale installation at 112 Hollow Woods Drive. Continued with road bank mowing. Attended the Conservancy's meeting regarding their prescribed grassland burns at Clark Nature Preserve. Met with Ryan Fisher regarding the potential Horse Hollow Road abandonment.

Week of July 26th

Entire township road check. Worked on preparing roads for line painting. Continued with road bank mowing. Met with Long's paving regarding remaining paving work to be completed this summer/fall. Misc. shop work. Met with resident on Lakewood Drive regarding the installation of a "watch children" sign.

Matt Sipel had placed the listed six items for sale through Municibid:

1. 2012 GMC 2500HD Crew Truck = \$10,000
2. 1999 Ford Escort Wagon = \$1,975
3. 1988 Ford 6610 Mowing Tractor = \$8,809.00
4. Swenson Tailgate Salt Spreader = \$345.00
5. Smith Salt Spreader = \$190.00
6. Smith Salt Spreader = \$210.00

A motion was made by Ryan Fisher and seconded by Kevin Boyer, to except the bid amounts for all the items that were for sale on Municibid. The motion passed 5-0.

Request from Fredrick Alldred 123 Horse Hollow Road, to vacate the portion of roadway in front of his property. Mr. Alldred explained that he would like the Board to consider vacating a portion of the roadway beginning at 123 Horse Hollow Road. Matt Sipel explained that there is already a granted easement for our trucks to turn around, on the Conservancy property, which is past Mr. Alldred's property, however we have never used it. There have been obstacles placed on the roadway to deter the public from driving back the road. Duane Sellers stated that Horse Hollow Road is a public roadway and obstacles must be removed until we determine if vacating is an option. Brandon Tennis with the Conservancy stated they would not be fighting this but would need an easement across Mr. Alldred. After further discussion, a motion was made by Beth Birchall, which was seconded by Charles Stouff to contact our attorney to weigh in. The motion passed 5-0.

Matt Sipel commented that Martic's portion of Drytown Road is scheduled to be paved, weather permitting. Line painting will take place after all seal coating and paving projects are completed with the addition of Deer Lane. Possibly late August or September for the line painting.

Zoning Officer Report: 9 building permits were issued.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

59 Den Mar Drive – Consent Agreement for Zoning Enforcement. The property owners paid their fine with a personal check, and the check did not clear due to non-sufficient funds. The Township has notified the property owners; however, they have not responded. After discussion, a motion was made by Ryan Fisher and seconded by Kevin Boyer, to contact our attorney for the next steps to take and if needed place a municipal lien against the property. The motion passed 5-0

NEW BUSINESS

River Road lot (430-53815-0-0000) for Zoning Violations as two campers are set up on this lot and are living there. A motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Ryan Fisher to authorize our attorney to move forward with Enforcement. The motion passed 5-0. Duane Sellers stated that this is not something the Supervisors enjoy doing, however when people choose to ignore our zoning regulations and keep pushing back, the Board's hands are tied.

RAWLINSVILLE FIRE COMPANY

QRS – discussion continued. Leon Smucker Vice President of RVFC stated that they are in service and arrive before any medics, typically 90% of the time. Moving forward, they would like their QRS added to the Lancaster Dispatch CAD. Duane Sellers stated that if Martic were to sign off on this, he wants to know, from a legal standpoint, if this opens Martic up to a legal liability. He agrees with the intent to take care of our residents, but we need to know that there will be no repercussions for the Township. Ryan Fisher stated that he is a bit confused by the public announcement he saw from RVFC. Leon Smucker stated that they are ready to respond and just making people aware of that. Beth Birchall stated she heard back from the insurance company. For liability insurance, they are covered. For Worker's Comp insurance, there would be an additional fee of \$670.00/yr. Tyler McCardell 295 Bethesda Church W, EMS medical director stated he would like the Board to endorse the QRS. Beth Birchall stated that they need to track their expenses for the QRS vs the fire company and we will need a cost from them for the Township budget meeting. Ryan Fisher also stated that we need to have our attorney weigh in before the Township moves forward. He asked if they were going to be speaking with Providence and Drumore Townships? Yes, they will be going before them. Comment was also heard from Keith Williams and Caleb Simon with RVFC. A motion was made by Ryan Fisher and seconded by Duane Sellers to contact our attorney to ask her opinion. The motion passed 5-0.

Caleb Simon Assist Chief, stated they began reviewing their boxes for the Lanc County Run Cards. Quarryville Fire Company did this about a year ago. Since several of the current run cards request multiple pieces of apparatus from only a few of the neighboring departments. They believe it is more practical to request fewer units from each individual department while including a greater number of departments. With the update they would also be adding an additional unit to the initial dispatch. Their goal is to create run-cards that provide the quickest and most dependable response. They requested that Martic Township review and approve the updated cards. Comment was heard from Tyler McCardell and Leon Smucker. After discussion a motion was made by Ryan Fisher and seconded by Duane Sellers to sign the updated Run-Cards. The motion passed 5-0.

Quarryville Police have been asked to help at the Solanco Parade on Wednesday, September 16, 2026.

Ryan Fisher commented on the upcoming budget meetings. Neither dates work for his schedule. He suggested we readvertise and change the dates to the next day. After discussion a motion was made by Ryan Fisher and seconded by Kevin Boyer to advertise and reschedule the Budget meetings to September 16, 2026, and October 14, 2026, at 6:30 pm. The motion passed 5-0.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for September 1, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm, by a motion from Beth Birchall and seconded by Kevin Boyer. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers
Martic Township Manager