

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

**DATE:** July 6, 2021

**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.

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

Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Don Snyder to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2021 Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed 4-0.

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending June 30, 2021. A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Don Snyder, to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion passed 4-0.

Don Snyder made a motion which was seconded by Carl Drexel, to approve the bills for payment totaling \$44,109.10. The motion passed 4-0.

### **SUPERVISOR'S PLAN REVIEW:**

Planning Commission met on June 17, 2021.

Lot Line Change plan – John & Kay Lahr, 699 Martic Heights Drive and Homes for Life, LLC/David Holm, 693 Martic Heights Drive. Plan prepared by Robert Visniski with RAV Associates, Inc. After discussion, a motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel, that the Board of Supervisors approve the Lot line change plan, For John Lahr, 699 Martic Heights Drive and Homes for Life, LLC/David Holm, 693 Martic Heights Drive, prepared by RAV Associates, Inc. subject to the following conditions:

1. All comments from the Township's engineer and solicitor, as well as the Lanc Co Planning Commissions, have been addressed.
2. All required certifications shall be appropriately signed and sealed when the Plan is submitted for signature to the Township.
3. Applicant shall provide proof to the Township that the Plan and the new deeds with perimeter legal descriptions for Lots 1 and 2 have been recorded at the Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds office, within 30 days after release of the Plan for recording. The motion passed 4-0.

Richard & Gladys Drumm, 40 Pencroft Drive N, Holtwood. Subdivision and Stormwater Management Plans, prepared by Regester Associates. As the plan is currently under review by the Township's engineer, these plan reviews have been tabled until the August Board of Supervisors meeting.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None was heard.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Road Department:** Dave Williams gave the report for June.  
Week of June 6<sup>th</sup>

Repair Ford 6600 mowing tractor. Cut low limb on Tucquan Glen. Clean gravel off Tucquan Glen-Hilldale intersection and Frogtown Rd. Take delivery of precast box at Oak Glen project site. Cut trees on Steinman Farm and Tucquan Glen.

Install new sign and spread mulch on Rail Trail. Meet with Solar Farm Representatives.

Fix washout on Magnolia. Clean gravel off Magnolia and Stump. Mow Pinnacle, Hilldale, Rail Trail, McKelvey, House Rock, Loop, and Maple Springs. State Police call out for tree on Ridge.

Week of June 13<sup>th</sup>

Pave pipe crossings on Magnolia. Clean gravel off Pencroft North and Tucquan Glen. Fix low shoulder areas on Pennsy. Cut trees on Old Holtwood and Bethesda Church. Cut trees with tree cutter on Hilldale and Lake Aldred. Block opening in fence on Rail Trail at Trestle. Weed spray guide rails and signs on multiple roads. Fix water drainage problem on Rail Trail. Prep area for new sign on Rail Trail. Clean gravel off Pencroft South. Mow Drytown and Bethesda Church.

Week of June 20<sup>th</sup>

State Police call out for tree on Ridge. Road check. Cut tree on Bethesda Church. Check T-04 and take for inspection. Meet PennDOT representative to inspect visibility issues at 324 & Frogtown and 324 & Pennsy. Check roads for trees and limbs following storm. Boom mow Crystal, New Village and Pinnacle. Pick up T-04 from shop. 2 days installing box and pipe at Oak Glen.

Week of June 27<sup>th</sup>

Pave around box and build curb at Oak Glen. Seed and mulch at Oak Glen. Patch Nissley. Asphalt repair on Fern Trail. Patch large hole at Hilldale & Drytown. Remove fallen trees from Nissley and Loop. Fix low shoulder area on Loop. Weed spray guide rails and signs on multiple roads. Cut tree on Tucquan Glen. Cut trees on Rail Trail and on Pennsy Rail Trail access road. State Police call out for tree on Pencroft North. Mow Tucquan Glen, Short, Steinman Farm, Martic Forge Loop, Frogtown, Covered Bridge, Stump and Lakewood. Resident call out for tree on Tucquan Glen and tree on Pencroft North.

2000 International 2554 single axel dump truck – a motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel to advertise this truck for sale and include the plow and spreader, on Municibid and set a reserve fee of \$15,000. The motion passed 4-0. Comment was heard from Victor Ressler, 817 Susquehannock Drive.

As discussed in previous meetings, new trucks, are extremely hard to find and the prices are going up daily. The 1996 International still needs to be replaced. A motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Don Snyder to proceed with ordering and locking in the price for a 2022 Peterbilt, complete with a plow and spreader with a fee of \$172,655. The motion passed 4-0. This truck would not be available until 2022.

**Zoning Officer Report:** 3 building, 8 zoning permits were issued; along with 6 Use and Occupancy permits.

**Sewage Enforcement Officer Report:** 1 permit, and 3 inspections were done.

**RAIL TRAIL**

Trestle Bridge repair bid results: 4 bid packets were received through PennBid. The Township’s engineer, James Wilson opened the packets, on June 3, 2021, as advertised.

- 1. JD Eckman, Inc.: \$2,971,595.50
- 2. Rylind Construction: \$3,278,000.00
- 3. Road-Con, Inc.: \$3,594,437.25
- 4. Eastern Highway Specialists: \$3,638,605.00

The PA Department of Community & Economic Development, has reviewed the bid packets and recommended awarding the contract to the low bidder, JD Eckman. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Don Snyder to award the Trestle Bridge Rehabilitation project to JD Eckman,

Inc. The motion passed 4-0. With the addition of the Final Design Fee and Construction Engineering Services, the total would be \$3,108,203.90.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Township's Feasibility Study results. The Township has yet to receive the study, therefore discussion was tabled until the August meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

63 Hilldale Road – Michelle Vonnieda LaGrassa, as she did not show up at the meeting, this item was dismissed.

Equipment and Auto Insurance – EMC Insurance. Beth Birchall commented on the new insurance carrier for the Township. If the Township renews this insurance with Travelers, the new fee would be \$80,833. However EMC offers the same insurance for only \$57,695. A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Don Snyder to switch to EMC for the equipment and auto insurance. The motion passed 4-0.

Resolution 07-06-21 – Workers Comp authorization for operational support for RVFC volunteers. The Resolution passed by roll call vote: 4-0.

Lancaster Co Assoc. of Twp Supervisors is resuming their annual dinner meetings. A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Beth Birchall to pay the fee of \$21.00/per person to attend. The motion passed 4-0. Four people will plan on attending.

RVFC Fire Police: Recognition that they helped at the Refton fire companies June 26, 2021 Mud Sale and are planning on helping at their October 16, 2021, Chicken and Waffle dinner.

A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel to add to the agenda, discussion of the American Rescue money. The motion passed 4-0.

The Township has received the first payment for the American Rescue Plan, \$272,767. It was recommended that a separate account be opened to help track and expenses paid from it. The treasurer will open a PLGIT account to put the money into. Townships are still trying to determine what it may be used for, and we have until 2024 to use it. At this point the only thing we know for sure is that the use of money must be directly connected to COVID.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for Monday, August 2, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers  
Martic Township Manager