

MARTIC TOWNSHIP  
LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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

**DATE:** January 23, 2013

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

**ATTENDANCE:** Duane Sellers, Beth Birchall, Ted Irwin, Carl Drexel and Richard Drumm, Jr. were present.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Duane Sellers called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM and led the Pledge to the Flag.

Software demonstration and presentation by Cork Shunk with CS-Graphx:

- Permit Manager - desktop Permit/parcel tracking application with integrated parcel map- GIS viewer
- Permit Reports – desktop application with additional reporting features
- Parcel Map – separate desktop GIS viewer application
- Permit Utility – program group file utility application
- Updater – program group file utility application
- FEUpdater – program group file utility application

A motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Beth Birchall to have Mr. Shunk with CS-Graphx submit a proposal for the permit manager software. The motion passed (5-0).

Duane Sellers commented on the Township garage electric issues. After losing power to the Garage/Shop it was discovered that the lines into the shop are too small for the amount of power needed for the road department's equipment. After discussion, it was decided to have the secretary contact our insurance agent to determine the replacement value of both the garage and the township office. It was also decided to contact Jim Montgomery, the township electrician, to evaluate the garage area and to determine if the 200 amp service is ample and/or can it be expanded on? What benefit is there in the Township owning the wire vs PPL? Would it be a benefit to go to 400 amps for a possible upgrade? By going to a 400 amp service, would it change our status to commercial? A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel to have PPL run a new service line to the Garage/Shop area with its own 200 amp service, separate from the office. The motion passed (5-0). Also, associated with the electrical issues, the middle bay area lost the heater and the light above the outside door. Two proposals were sought, Groff's Heating and A/C gave as their proposal, \$2,938.00 to replace the unit. Solanco Propane also submitted a proposal which included two options: retro fit repair kit could be purchased and fix the current unit, which would include parts, labor but no warranty for \$745.00 or purchase a new burner and valve, parts, labor and includes a 1 year warrant for \$960.00. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Duane Sellers to have Solanco Propane replace the unit and to ask them to reposition the heat deflectors to get the most from the heater. And to also request a propane quote. The motion passed (5-0).

Duane Sellers commented on his visits to East Drumore Township and Providence Township's new garages and commented on the pros and cons of different things that they have done. If Martic is looking toward the future, we need to start taking notice of what we might do the same or differently, to help save money. He also suggested that this Board should start to consider putting money into an account, each year, so that when the time comes there will be money set aside for a new building. Also, it was mentioned that when the time comes we should look into whatever grants might be available.

A motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Beth Birchall, to advertise for the March meeting the ordinance which would allow the Township to join with PLGIT. The motion passed (5-0).

Regarding money for investments, Beth Birchall commented that the township has money which we need to find suitable investment opportunities for. In the past, the township invested in Ginnie Maes, however there are none currently available with a 4% or higher rate. The suggestion from our financial

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investor is to consider short term CD's. Beth will check to see if there are any CD's available with a 30 day limit. This would give us time to see what might be available through PLGIT.

A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Richard Drumm to sign the township's portion of the Riehl Accessory Dwelling Agreement/ 350 Drytown Road. The motion passed (5-0).

Rawlinsville Fire Company has notified the Township that they may be taking an engine to a charity function on January 24, 2013 from 1-6 pm.

Carl Drexel and Beth Birchall commented that the fire company merger is underway, with a possible completion date of April 1, 2013. The property down at Pequea will eventually belong to the Township, once PPL does the transfer. A possible use of the building might be to store the fire company's river rescue equipment or for them to possibly have a cooperative with Conestoga. The future use of the building has yet to be determined.

330 Hilldale Road rental – our tenant called the Township to say that a vent rusted and broke on the furnace. She was going to call Groff's to come out and fix it. Also, when the furnace was cleaned by Groff's it was noted that the furnace is in poor condition.

631 Martic Heights rental – septic issues, tenant now knows how to maintain the filter, which FINS previously forgot to mention needs to be cleaned every few months. Also, the tenant was saying that they still were having issues with it backing up. FINS was recalled to take a look at.

364 Steinman Farm Road rental – Ted Irwin picked up fire alarms for this property. He will contact the tenant and schedule a time to install them.

Carl Drexel asked about the light on the Township sign. Initially we were told it would be 2-3 weeks and that time should be about up.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for February 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

They're being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers  
Secretary to the Board of Supervisors  
Martic Township