

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: November 7, 2022

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

ATTENDANCE: Beth Birchall, Duane Sellers, Carl Drexel, Jay Kreider and Charles Stouff were present.

CALL TO ORDER: Duane Sellers called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led with the Pledge to the Flag and a prayer was said.

MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Jay Kreider, to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2022, Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel, to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2022, Budget Meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending October 31, 2022. A motion was made by Carl Drexel 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 Jay Kreider, to approve the bills for payment totaling \$108,646.63. The motion passed 5-0. Carl Drexel made a motion, which was seconded by Charles Stouff to pay to JD Eckman, \$1,140,516.37, for the Trestle Bridge invoice. The motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jim Reynolds, 36 Deerfield, commented that he knew the Township would be placing rocks in his neighbor's road right-of-way. Since he had not been done yet, he asked as to when that would be happening. Dave Williams stated that it is on his list of things to do, but it is not an urgent matter and high on his priority list. He agreed to look at it again.

RAIL TRAIL / TRESTLE BRIDGE:

Jim Hearn gave an update. Boulders have been placed at the abutment of the bridge, unfortunately people are climbing on to them to look over. E-Bikes and speeding on the trail. Duane Sellers recommended that Jim Heard contact the other Townships to try and set similar regulations for E-Bikes.

He has been asked about providing a porta-potty on Martic's portion of the trail. Many issues with providing porta-potty such as vandalism, non-trail users stopping in to use it and budgeting for the cost of one. After discussion, Jim Hearn will ask LC Solid Waste Authority to see if they want to place one and pay to maintain it. Carl Drexel commented on the trail surface. JD Eckman has a meeting scheduled to look at the surface, but it currently is not the best bike riding surface.

324 Crossing: Carl Drexel commented that Cri-Lon will be resetting the pipe, since Wilson has reshot the grades. The pipe needs to be another 9" lower than it currently is.

Carl Drexel commented on a future pedestrian bridge over 324. People and bike riders are not stopping at the Stop signs to cross over 324. Jim Hearn commented that everyone must follow traffic signs. The best solution is to keep the trail visitors off the roadway by having them use a bridge. With all the grant funding available a bridge is more realistic.

Comments were heard from Jim Reynolds, Sara Crill, 176 Hilldale Road and Bill Birchall, 303 Tucquan Glen Road.

SUPERVISORS REVIEW:

40 Pencroft Drive North- Gladys Drumm/Joshua & Margaret Eckman. Brian Gilbert with Solanco Engineering has completed a successful Storm Water Management final inspection and has recommended releasing the Financial Security, which the Township is holding for this project. A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Charles Stouff to release the Financial Security for this

project. The motion passed 5-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Road Department: Dave Williams read the report for October Week of October 2nd

Road check. Get cold patch. Repair lights on T-06. Service backhoe. Pick up filters for truck service. Clean shop. Install school ahead signs on Martic Heights. Road check after heavy rain. Mark One-Call notification area on Oak Glen. Patch pipe crossing on Creamery. Investigate fluid spill complaint on Four Oaks. Reshape dirt section of Clark Hill. Mow New Village, Old Holtwood and Drytown. Clean gutters and open pipe on Drytown. Took mower to shop.

Week of October 9th

Pave new pipe crossings on Pennsy, McKelvey and Creamery. Open water runoff swale on Pencroft N. Picked up excavator to open pipe on Pencroft N. Excavate, seed and mulch pipe outlet area on Pencroft N. Return excavator. Repair backhoe. Clean gutters on Lake Aldred. Open pipe on Hilldale. Mow multiple roads. Service T-84. Pick up parts from Hunter Peterbilt. Pick up pipe for Oak Glen.

Week of October 16th

Install new Ridge Drive signs. Mow Rail Trail. Remove vine from gate at Trestle Bridge. Repair stop sign on Bethesda W. Repair intersection sign on Hilldale. Install no parking sign on River. Weedwack intersections on multiple roads. Open area for water runoff on cul-de-sac on Wendy. Cut trees and clean gutter on Wendy. Extend pipe on Bethesda W. Take T-90 to shop. Patch pothole on Hilldale. Repair mower. Grease backhoe. Mow multiple roads.

Week of October 23

Road check. Install new street name signs on Nissley and Pinnacle. Pick up T-90 from shop. Perform maintenance work on backhoe. Picked up filters and service T-90. Cut tree on Pinnacle. Mow Bethesda W., Loop, Horse Hollow and Frogtown. Install additional no parking sign on River. Repair loader tires. Patch potholes on dirt section of Tucquan Glen and Horse Hollow. Cut low tree limbs on Clark Hill. Install no motor vehicle signs on rail trail crossing. Patch potholes on Frogtown.

Horse Hollow Road project- Dave Williams has heard back from DEP that they will require no permits for the proposed bank stabilization. He is waiting to hear back from the Lanc Co Conservation District to see if they require anything else. Unfortunately, since the project began in 2021, the approved contractor's price has increased by 10%. Since LCCD is funding the project, Dave is waiting to see if they will approve the additional 10% cost increase. The contractor has tentatively set early December to do the work. Comment was heard from Jim Reynolds.

Zoning Officer Report: 3 building, and 4 zoning permits were issued.

Sewage Enforcement Officer Report: 3 permits were issued, and 4 inspections were done.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Southern Lanc Co Inter Municipal Council Comprehensive Plan. The Lanc Co Planning Commission has contacted all the school districts involved to provide comment. Martic's Planning Commission will be meeting in November, and he will be asking for the recommendation to the Board to adopt the new Plan. Mr. Marvin from Bart Township has offered to handle the joint advertisement. A motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Beth Birchall to have Mr. Marvin handle the advertisement. The motion passed 5-0. Mr. Marvin has also spoken with Groff's Printing in Quarryville about printing the copies of the Comp Plan. After discussion, a motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Jay Kreider to have Mr. Marvin order copies for Martic. The motion passed 4-1, with Beth Birchall opposing. She would rather use another printer.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Charles Stouff and seconded by Beth Birchall, to advertise that the draft General Budget and the draft State/Liquid Fuels Budget for 2023, is available for public review. The motion passed 5-0.

197 Pencroft Drive North – Consent Agreement amendment: A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel to authorize the execution of the amended Consent Agreement between the Township and Brandon Schlabach, Pencroft Structures, LLC. The motion passed 5-0. Comment was heard from Elam Miller, 300 Douts Hill Road and Sara Crill.

Food Truck at the Rail Trail parking lot. Charles Stouff commented that he was approached by the owner of the Frogtown Café to see if she was exploring the possibility of having a Food Truck at Martic's parking lot for the Rail Trail. He thinks this is a great opportunity to support a local business. Carl Drexel asked do we limit it to just the Frogtown Cafe and what do we do if someone else approaches the Township to place one? Duane Sellers stated he is concerned with trash and do we now have to provide picnic tables. Jay Kreider stated he has concerns about allowing one. Scott Sellers, 306 Steinman Farm Road commented about the traffic it would bring, just to buy food and he does not feel it would stop at one food truck. Sara Crill suggested charging a fee. Jim Hearn stated that is not a good idea, as the trail was partially built using state funding and they would not look favorably on it. Victor Ressler, 817 Susquehannock Drive commented that if the Township approves this it should also consider offering amenities, such as a port-a-potty.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm, by Beth Birchall.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for December 5, 2022, at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers
Martic Township Manager