

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: January 3, 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.

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.

REORGANIZATION

Temporary Chairman: Carl Drexel made a motion, which was seconded by Jay Kreider to appoint Beth Birchall as Temporary Chairman. The motion passed 4-0 with Beth Birchall abstaining.

Temporary Secretary: Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel to appoint Karen Sellers as Temporary Secretary. The motion passed 4-0 with Duane Sellers abstaining.

Chairman: Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel to appoint Duane Sellers as Chairman. The motion passed 4-0 with Duane Sellers abstaining.

Vice Chairman: Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Jay Kreider to appoint Carl Drexel as Vice-Chairman. The motion passed 4-0 with Carl Drexel abstaining.

Treasurer: Carl Drexel made a motion, which was seconded by Charles Stouff to appoint Beth Birchall as Treasurer. The motion passed 4-0 with Beth Birchall abstaining.

Manager/Secretary: Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel to appoint Karen Sellers as Manager/Secretary. The motion passed 4-0 with Duane Sellers abstaining.

Road Foreman: Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Charles Stouff to appoint Dave Williams as Road Foreman. The motion passed 5-0.

Zoning Officer & Building Code Official: A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Beth Birchall to appoint Dennis Shenk as Zoning Officer and Building Code Official. The motion passed 5-0.

Construction Code Officials: Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel to appoint Commonwealth Code Inspection Service, Inc as the Construction Code Officials. The motion passed 5-0.

SEO Officer: Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel to appoint Marvin Stoner as the SEO Officer. The motion passed 5-0.

Chairman of the Vacancy Board: Carl Drexel made a motion, which was seconded by Beth Birchall to appoint Ryan Fisher as Chairman of the Vacancy Board. The motion passed 5-0.

Mileage reimbursement: Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel to reimburse mileage at .585 cents/mile as per the IRS notification. The motion passed 5-0.

Emergency Management: Carl Drexel made a motion, which was seconded by Charles Stouff to appoint Tony Williams for Emergency Management coordinator and Mike Hall and Bill Birchall as his assistants. The motion passed 4-0 with Beth Birchall abstaining.

SLCIMC Meeting Representatives: Beth Birchall made a motion which was seconded by Charles Stouff, to appoint Duane Sellers as SLCIMC Meeting Representative and to appoint Jay Kreider as the alternate representative. The motion passed 5-0.

Point of Contact list: Duane Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Carl Drexel to have Beth Birchall and Jay Kreider as the Fire Company point of contacts. The motion passed 5-0.

Carl Drexel made a motion which was seconded by Jay Kreider to have Beth Birchall and Duane Sellers as the employee/employer relations point of contacts. The motion passed 5-0.

Duane Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Beth Birchall to have Charles Stouff and Carl Drexel and the Rail Trail property point of contacts. The motion passed 5-0.

Beth Birchall made a motion which was seconded by Jay Kreider to have Carl Drexel and Duane Sellers and the Residents Concerns point of contacts. The motion passed 5-0.

Township Fire Company: Duane Sellers made a motion which was seconded by Carl Drexel to acknowledge and recognize as the Township's fire company, Rawlinsville Volunteer Fire Company. The motion passed 5-0.

Fire Companies Activity Lists: Beth Birchall made a motion which was seconded by Carl Drexel to approve Rawlinsville Volunteer Fire Company's 2022 activities list as submitted to the Board and to include December 17, 2022 for a chicken barbeque and September 14, 2022, for the Solanco Parade which includes the use of the RVFC fire police. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Carl Drexel which was seconded by Beth Birchall to declare English as the official language for all township business. The motion passed 5-0.

MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

Beth Birchall made a motion, which was seconded by Carl Drexel to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2021, Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending December 31, 2021. A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Duane Sellers, to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed 5-0. A motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Charles Stouff to move from the Ginnie Mae general account \$72,029.60 into the corresponding PLGIT account. The motion passed 5-0.

Jay Kreider made a motion which was seconded by Duane Sellers, to approve the bills for payment totaling \$ 40,559.51. The motion passed 4-0 with Carl Drexel abstaining in accordance with Section 1103(j) of the Ethics Act and noted that his public disclosure memorandum is on file in the township office.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Steve Lehman, 561 Martic Heights Drive – alleged that the Zoning Officer has committed zoning violations regarding signs and buildings. He alleged that the Zoning Officer does not follow through with reports to the Supervisors. And he feels the Zoning Officer does not treat people equally. Duane Sellers confirmed with Mr. Lehman that he was making allegations against the Zoning Officer, which he did. Mr. Lehman was thanked for his comments.

Brian Parker 166 Old Holtwood Rd – asked if there have been any updates on the proposed hydrogen plant. Duane Sellers explained that the township has heard nothing. As the property would need to change hands, the Township has received nothing regarding any such transactions. He thinks it may be a dead issue.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Road Department: Dave Williams read the report for December.

Week of December 5th - Cut tree on Tucquan Glen. Road check due to high wind. Maintenance on backhoe. Repair low shoulder area on McKelvey. Remove dead tree from shoulder on Deer Ln. Pick up drag for use on Rail Trail. Install new curve sign on Short. Help welder weld truck frame on T-07. Clean gutters on dirt section of Tucquan Glen.

Week of December 12th - Cut tree on Magnolia. Open pipe on Magnolia. Clean gutters on Nissley. Change tire and replace light on T-07. Take T-07 to shop for inspection. Excavate gutter and install stone to eliminate water problem on Hilldale. Cut trees with tree cutter on Crystal. Cut trees on Lakewood Dr., Frogtown and Martic Forge Loop, Open pipe on Hilldale.

Week of December 19th - Limited crew due to vacation time being used. Road check. Blow leaves on Holtwood and Old Pinnacle. Repair driveway entrance on Hilldale that was disturbed repairing water problem. Clean break room and garage. Salt icy spots. Observe Christmas Eve and Christmas Day holidays.

Week of December 26th - Plowing and salting for minor snow event. Salting icy spots. Clean out trucks. Wash trucks. Wash loader. Investigate oil leak on T-04. Repair pressure washer. Cut trees on Pinnacle. Wire brush and paint spare big truck tire wheel. Observe New Years Holiday.

Zoning Officer Report: 2 building, 0 zoning permits were issued; along with 5 Use and Occupancy and 1 Certificate of Use permits

Sewage Enforcement Officer Report: 0 permits issued

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None was heard

NEW BUSINESS

None was heard

The Board of Auditors will meet on Tuesday, January 4, 2022, at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building for their Organizational meeting.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for February 7, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers
Martic Township Manager