

MARTIC TOWNSHIP
LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Work Session

DATE: October 10, 2023

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

ATTENDANCE: Duane Sellers, Beth Birchall, Carl Drexel, Jay Kreider and Charles Stouff were present. Also attending was Dave Williams, Road Foreman. Visitors: Ryan Fisher and Kevin Boyer

ORDER OF BUSINESS

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

Bob May with Lancaster EMS gave an update on the Ambulance situation in Martic Township and surrounding townships. Emergency medical services are still in a national crisis. In 2013 there were 613 different ambulance services, in 2021 it was down to 405. It is a high-risk job because you are dealing with civil unrest, along with mental health patients. When a patient's insurance is billed for their services, the law states that the insurance company must submit payment to the patient, who is then to forward that payment onto the ambulance that provided those services. Unfortunately, most patients do not understand this and keep the payment. Because of the lack of reimbursement and lack of municipal support their organization is in dire straits. Lancaster EMS is requesting that every municipality, served by them, provide an equitable annual financial stakeholder share. This number was calculated by the number of 9-1-1 EMS responses within the municipality, as a percentage of total responses for all municipalities. For Martic Township that number is Martic \$15,000. They offer several services that they are not reimbursed for. Of the 911 calls, 61% are not reimbursed. Also, boat rescues, along with DOA, to name a few. Lancaster EMS is considering pulling its services from townships that are not providing annual support. Martic has always provided the requested support amount. Comments were heard from Kevin Boyer.

The 2024 Township budget discussion continued, with emphasis on the Road Department. Input was heard from Dave Williams, the Township's Road Foreman. Comments heard from Ryan Fisher and Kevin Boyer

2024 Liquid Fuels budget was discussed.

2024 American Rescue Plan budget was discussed.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for November 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers
Martic Township Manager