

**MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL MEETING – AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND BUDGET**

DATE: March 15, 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 7:30 PM and led with the Pledge to the Flag and a Prayer.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND BUDGET:

Discussion began on how go utilize the funds we will be receiving through the American Rescue Plan Fund.

Jim Hearn, Martic's Rail Trail committee chairman began with explaining the history of the crossover and how unsafe it currently is for trail users. The Township is exploring funding options for the engineered improvements. As the trail will not only be utilized by Martic's residents, but county and statewide users, it was decided to send a letter to the Lancaster County Commissioners for help with the improvement costs. The estimated cost will be \$150,000, which includes the Highway Occupancy permit fee and the cost for the engineers, who would apply for the permit on behalf of the Township. The Township's road crew would do some of the work and the rest would come from township funds, which would be 25% of the estimated cost. After discussion, a motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Carl Drexel to ask for \$112,000 from the Lancaster County Commissioners. The motion passed 5-0. At this time, Martic will not plan on using ARP funds towards this project.

Linda Walter and Chris Waite, representatives of the Quarryville Library presented to the Board a wish list for the library. As the library, due to Covid, has not been able to fund raise for the last couple of years, this has impacted their finances. Several repairs to their facility have been impacted due to low finances and replacement supply issues.

Carl Strickler, Chief of the Rawlinsville Volunteer Fire Company presented to the Supervisors a list with their current open expenses and future purchase plans. They are currently refurbishing a truck and hope to replace two pieces of equipment with either new or used. Several items are out of date such as their 'jaws of life' which is 30-40 years old. The Dive Team needs rescue gear and suits. Comment was heard from members of the fire company, Troy Hatfield, Victor Ressler and Jared Byrnes.

After presentations, discussion began on creating a budget for the ARP funds we already received, \$272,767.97. A motion was made by Duane Sellers and seconded by Carl Drexel to budget ARP funds for the Trestle bridge repair, Road Work, Truck Equipment, Quarryville Library, LEMSA, RVFC, Martic Pantry, Mt. Nebo Kitchen Cupboard and Township Employees with the amounts discussed. The motion passed 5-0.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for April 4, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Sellers
Martic Township Manager