

MINUTES OF THE MARTIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: February 4, 2019

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

ATTENDANCE: Beth Birchall, Duane Sellers, Carl Drexel Don Snyder and John Ulaky 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.

An Executive Session was held on January 23, 2019 regarding Zoning litigation for Eli Stoltzfus / Living Stones.

An Executive Session will be held immediately after this meeting regarding UCC litigation for Eli Stoltzfus / Living Stones.

MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

Beth Birchall made a motion and was seconded by John Ulaky, to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2019 Supervisors Meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

Beth Birchall presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending February 1, 2019. A motion was made by John Ulaky and seconded by Carl Drexel, to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed 5-0.

Don Snyder made a motion which was seconded by John Ulaky, to approve the bills for payment totaling \$ 59,085.74. 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.

EMERGENCY SERVICES:

PA State Police – 2018 annual report: Lt. Vincent D'Angelo, Patrol Section Commander of Troop J presented to the Board the annual police report. He gave the statistics over the last year and said things are very much the same as in the previous year. There were more traffic stops, with speed and failure to stay in your own lane, as the top reasons. There were 5 total DUI arrests and 2 of the 5 were drug not alcohol related. There was 1 overdose death in 2018. As always, if anyone sees something suspicious, please call 911 and report it. Comment was heard from Lydia Martin w/ LC Conservancy.

Rawlinsville Fire Company – 2018 annual report: Carl Strickler, RVFC Chief, presented information to the Board. 2018 Incidents reviewed: 412 total for the year, 27 EMS related, 103 vehicle related and 64 total fire responses. Breakdown by municipality showed 171 calls in Martic Township with Providence having 81. Most of their calls were in Martic. Mutual aide was given 71 times and received 43 times, with 285 emergency calls and 127 non-emergency related. Non-emergency includes training, which is above the standard once a week. Comment was heard from Greg Hripto, 91 Oak Glen Drive regarding mutual aide. Their truck was shipped off for the refurbishment project. It could be done in ~ 6-9 months.

DONEGAL TROUT UNLIMITED: presentation by Greg Wilson the DTU Committee Chairman and Lydia Martin, member. DTU has been helping with culvert passage issues in Martic Township. They replaced a culvert for a resident that his driveway crossed a stream. They also are working in Climbers Run on a project. Their main goal is to help native trout and other fish species to be able to travel the streams unhampered. DTU has been in contact with Todd Simone, regarding 5 culverts in Martic Twp that crosses roadways. Lydia Martin stated that the money is always 'up-front' before a project begins.

Duane Sellers stated that the Township really appreciates the help. Comment was heard from Bill Webber, 42 Clearview Road.

OTHER BUSINESS – PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lydia Martin w/ LCC stated that there will be a Public Trails forum, on March 16, 2019 from 8:30 – 11:00 am, to discuss Trail management, etc. This is open to the public.

PLANNING COMMISSION/SUPERVISORS review:

The Martic Township Planning Commission met on January 17th to review the proposed ordinance amendments.

Paul W. Hostetter poultry Operations Stormwater Management plan is complete. Final inspections were done on January 7 & 25th by Brian Gilbert with Wilson Consulting Group for this Stormwater plan. Brian Gilbert is recommending full release from the Letter of Credit, being held with Fulton Financial for the Paul W. Hostetter Poultry Operation Stormwater financial security. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Don Snyder to grant this release. The motion passed 5-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance 2-4-19 A Zoning Ordinance amendment: which will revise regulations governing uses permitted in various districts; to regulate short-term rentals; and to revise definitions. John Ulaky questioned the 2-acre minimum requirement. As any request to operate a short-term rental must go before the Zoning Hearing Board, an applicant may argue their case not only as a special exception, but also ask for a variance relief, which is for a physical characteristic hardship of a property, such as acreage size. With no further questions, the Zoning Ordinance amendment passed by Roll-Call vote: 5-0.

Ordinance 2-4-19 B Storm Water Ordinance amendment: which will add regulations governing high tunnels and make certain administrative changes. With no further questions, the Storm Water Ordinance amendment passed by Roll-Call vote: 5-0.

Eli B. Stoltzfus and Living Stones Masonry / Appeal of Zoning Hearing Board – a motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Carl Drexel to authorize the solicitor to file a Notice of Intervention in the ZHB appeal. The motion passed 5-0.

Road Department:

Tod Simone read the report for January 2019:

1/2 – 1/3 - Guide rail repair on Steinman Farm Road and Tucquan Glen RD – equipment repairs

1/7- 1/10- Guide rail repair on Tucquan Glen Rd and began stone project.

1048 ton of 2A modified was placed using grant funds from the LC Conservation District
And with the help of manpower and equipment from Providence Twp.

1/14-1/17- Truck repairs, chain work, follow-up ice treatment. Sign work

1/21-1/24- Repaired trailer, ice & high wind issues throughout Township. Salt delivery Equipment repair. Washed trucks, saw blade trimming

1/28-1/31- Sign work, equipment repairs, get trucks ready for snow/ice/wind event.

Municibid: Broom; highest bid was \$350.00. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by Don Snyder to sell the broom to the highest bidder for \$350.00. The motion passed 5-0. Snow Blower had a reserve amount of \$5,000. The highest bid was \$3,009.00. Bill Webber questioned why the Township was selling it as it was only just purchased 2 years earlier. Duane Sellers stated it is not working out as well as they had hoped it would. For our needs it should be front mounted and larger. After discussion, a motion was made by Carl Drexel and seconded by Beth Birchall to hold onto it and try and resell it later. The motion passed 5-0.

Proposed Road work for 2019:

Seal Coat- Old Holtwood Road: portion (Drytown Rd – Hilldale Rd) it was last done in 2000.
House Rock Road: portion (River Rd – West View Rd) last done in 2010
Douts Hill Road: portion (Creamery Rd to Martic Heights Dr) last done in 2004
Estimated cost: 36,218.51 sq yds @ \$1.35 = \$48,895.00

Bid Paving- 2019 goal is to pave and save as much of Lakewood development as fiscally possible. He plans to write the bid, pending approval as specific and accurate as possible to do what is only necessary to restore and protect the roads in Lakewood. At this time, he cannot determine what areas and how much will require base repair. That number will influence the amount they can cover in the end. The plan is to overlay all the roads in the development. They are all well over their life expectancy and show it. Some areas will require paving fabric to add support where adequate base is not present. He has obtained and reviewed core samples for all roads in Lakewood. The reason for planning to do all the roads at once is to maximize efficiency and minimize disruption. Furthermore, any delay in making repairs will increase the likelihood they will have to reconstruct some roadways. Ultimately, he will continue to keep you updated on the status of the roads and will change the bid accordingly. He will prioritize the roads by condition as close to the end of winter as possible. He will keep the Board posted as he obtains information. His estimate at this point is \$650,000 - \$1,200,000. Duane Sellers commented that the Township has heard back from our solicitor, regarding stormwater issues in the Lakewood development. Stormwater is not a township issue but falls on the property owners. The Township is only responsible for stormwater within the road right-of-way.

2019 Stone: Bid quantities and types will be the same as 2018.

A motion was made by Beth Birchall and John Ulaky to authorize the advertisement of the 2019 Road Bid packets. The motion passed 5-0.

Zoning Officer Report shows: 5 building and 1 zoning permit, along with 5 Use & Occupancy and 6 Certificate of Use permits were issued in January.

The SEO Report shows: 1 investigation and 1 permit were issued in January.

NEW BUSINESS

Zoning Officer, Dennis Shenk, would like to attend the LC Zoning and Building Associations Building Code update training course on February 19, 2019 for continuing education credits at a cost of \$70. A motion was made by Beth Birchall and seconded by John Ulaky to allow him to attend the course. The motion passed 5-0.

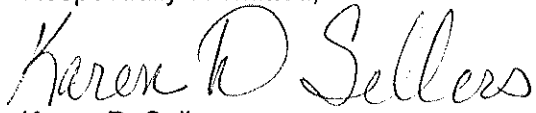
The Road Department would like to attend a LC Assoc of Township Supervisors public works workshop on February 19, 2019 @ East Drumore Township. As there is no cost to attend this workshop, the Supervisors acknowledged that the Road Department will be attending this workshop.

2019 PSATS Conference attendees: A motion was made by John Ulaky and seconded by Carl Drexel to have Beth Birchall attend the 2019 PSATS Conference on April 14 – 17, 2019, if she is able too. The motion passed 5-0.

The next meeting of the Martic Township Board of Supervisors is scheduled for March 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm with a motion by Beth Birchall and seconded by Don Snyder.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen D. Sellers". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Karen D. Sellers
Martic Township Manager