

**MAY 10, 2007 MINUTES
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Deputy Mayor Fisher at 7:08 p.m.
SUNSHINE LAW COMPLIANCE read by Deputy Mayor Fisher.
FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL: Mr. Tibak, Mr. Bolzan, and Mr. Fisher, Mr. Lavery, Mr. Nader and Ms. Reilly. Let the record reflect that Mayor Inscho will arrive later due to a previous appointment. Mr. Petersen is also expected to arrive a bit later.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Mr. Bolzan, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call unanimous to approve Minutes of March 22, 2007 and April 5, 2007.

PROCLAMATION: Deputy Mayor read a Proclamation designating May as Older Americans Month.

Let the record reflect that Mr. Petersen arrived.

REPORTS:

MR. TIBAK – Reported that the website is currently being updated.

MR. PETERSEN: He noted that the Land Use Board wrote a letter with their comments and concerns to the Highlands.

MR. BOLZAN: He noted that he attended the Independence Township Meeting with Mr. Fisher. He stated that Mr. Bing and Mr. Jones from the School Board were also present. A proposed mediation session was agreed upon by Independence and they are awaiting a final date for this meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Please find written report attached.

It was noted that Wilson is complying with the Stop Work Order.

Mr. Petersen noted that the work on Marble Hill should not begin until school is out and this was agreed by the engineer.

MR. ROMANOWITCH: He noted that the Spring Clean Up was a success. Thirteen containers were used by Grey and five for metal. He considered this a good clean up.

MR. FISHER: He reported that the school held their reorganization meeting and Mr. Jones is President, Peggy Falborn is Vice President and Jennifer Cassini is our liaison.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

Alice Bechok – Lewis Lane – questioned the status of the Lisbon Capri. Mr. Petersen stated that the township is about ready to raise part of it – perhaps the old bar can be used as a pavilion. He said that they want to use the “footprint” again. They must wait for JCPL to take power out.

Amy Vander Haar - She stated that she wrote a letter to the Express Times and the Warren Reporter but neither newspaper placed her letter in their paper. She wrote a letter to them about her “Chance of a Lifetime” experience at the King Tut Museum in Philadelphia. She proceeded to read the letter stating what a remarkable experience this was for her. She was then commended by the Committee for this presentation.

Phil Brady – Hillcrest – He noted to the Committee that he received a response from the County Board of Health in reference to his letter. He then asked what he should do. Mr. Lavery stated that perhaps he should write a letter back to the Board of Health to clarify some of the questions asked.

At this time, Mr. Petersen noted that if the septic goes bad there is a reserve system in place. He noted that we are awaiting Mr. Wilson’s engineer to rectify the problem.

Virginia Brady – Hillcrest – She stated that Mr. Wilson is in violation with DEP. She noted that this information is on the website.

Gene Naccarato – Hillcrest – He asked how long Mr. Wilson has due to the fact that the last rain storm caused his ponds to discolor and he had to deal with mud. The Engineer stated he has until May 21, 2007.

Closed to public discussion.

Let the record reflect that during Public Discussion, Mayor Inscho arrived.

Mayor Inscho was asked if he had any report. He asked Ms. Reilly to canvass tax collector positions in the County to determine their hours and line items. She will have this report ready for the May 24, 2007 workshop session.

RESOLUTION 07-21 – Allowing Fireworks on Community Day – Motion made by Mr. Tibak seconded by Mr. Bolzan with roll call unanimous to adopt said resolution.

RESOLUTION 07-22 – Audit Resolution – Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to adopt said resolution and direct all Committee members to sign said resolution.

BUDGET OF 2007 – Public Hearing – Ms. Reilly read the first paragraph of the resolution adopting the Budget. Open to public – no public discussion – closed to public.

RESOLUTION 07-23 – Adoption of 2007 Budget – Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to adopt said resolution.

BLUE LIGHT PERMIT: Motion made by Mr. Tibak, seconded by Mr. Bolzan with roll call as follows to allow blue light permit for Mr. Erik Cussen.

ROLL CALL:	Tibak	yes
	Petersen	yes
	Bolzan	yes
	Fisher	yes
	Inscho	abstain

LETTER – From Mr. and Mrs. Veszi asking township if they would consider selling Block 20 Lot 19 to them. Mr. Lavery will research this matter since we may need to obtain an appraisal, etc. He will get back to the Committee at the next meeting.

ORDINANCES:

07-06 – EXCEED MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK. 2ND reading. Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Petersen, open to public – no public – closed to public, roll call unanimous to adopt at 2nd reading.

07-07 –AMEND SALARY ORDINANCE – 2nd reading – Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Bolzan, open for public discussion, no public discussion, closed to public – roll call unanimous to adopt at 2nd reading.

07-08 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LIBERTY KNOWN AS TERRACE DRIVE LOCATED BETWEEN LOT 3.01, BLOCK 56 AND LOT 3, BLOCK 56 AND LOT 1, BLOCK 56 AND LOT 1, BLOCK 57 AND LOT 2, BLOCK 57 AND LOT 3, BLOCK 57 VACATING A PORTION OF A RIGHT OF WAY. 2ND reading. Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Petersen, open for public discussion –

Mr. Conway – Mt. Lake – asked when this Ordinance goes into effect and was told immediately after publication.

Marlene Kitchen – Mt. Lake – She noted that she is the one most affected by this Ordinance. She asked if the deeds will be changed. Mr. Lavery said no. It gets filed at the Court House. She then asked if survey marks could be put on the lines. The engineer had no problem with this.

She then complained about spot lights which were installed by the property owners. She was directed to contact the zoning official about this situation.

Don Lutz – Mt. Lake – He stated that Ms. Kitchen is referring to “us”. He claims he was told by the State Police to put up the spot lights, etc.

Closed for public discussion. Roll call as follows for final adoption of Ordinance 07-08.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Tibak	yes
	Mr. Petersen	yes
	Mr. Bolzan	abstain
	Mr. Fisher	yes
	Mr. Inscho	yes

07-09 – Penalties for Storm Water Ordinance – Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to adopt at first reading. Second reading and public discussion will take place on June 7, 2007.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Motion made by Mr. Tibak, seconded by Mr. Bolzan with roll call unanimous to pay all bills on bills list.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call unanimous to enter into executive session to discuss potential litigation, contractual matter, and one personnel matter.

REGULAR SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call unanimous to enter back into regular session at 8:26 p.m.

Mr. Lavery stated that during executive session the following was discussed but no official action was taken:

Potential litigation matter

Contractual matter

One personnel issue with Department of Personnel

Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Bolzan with roll call unanimous to add bills of Medina to bills list.

Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call unanimous to reduce Bennett’s surety bond if he pays his escrow up to date. Mr. Lavery will write him a letter pursuant to this action.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to adjourn said meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

**Willa L. Reilly, RMC
Municipal Clerk/Administrator**