

MINUTES  
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING  
AUGUST 2, 2007

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 7:07 P.M.  
SUNSHINE LAW COMPLIANCE read by Mayor Inscho.  
FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL: Mr. Tibak, Mr. Petersen, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Inscho, Mr. Lavery, Mr. Vollmar and Ms. Reilly.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 28, 2007 – Motion made by Mr. Tibak, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to approve said Minutes.

NOMINATION FOR VACANCY ON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE: Mayor Inscho read from a letter submitted by the Liberty Township Republican Committee recommending the appointment of Mr. Dan Grover to fill the remainder of Mr. Bolzan's term. Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to appoint Mr. Grover to this position term ending December 31, 2007.

SWEARING IN OF MR. GROVER – Mr. Grover was sworn in by Attorney Lavery.

Mayor Inscho then noted that Mr. Bolzan was in the audience and that he did a terrific job while serving on the Committee.

REPORTS:

MR. VOLLMAR – Engineer – Please find a copy of his report attached.

Discussion of a Pedestrian Grant offered by the State of NJ ensued. Mr. Petersen suggested that an Ad Hoc Committee be formed to discuss ideas to make application for this grant money. The Ad Hoc Committee will consist of Mr. Petersen, Mr. Grover, Mr. Romanowitch and our township engineer. They scheduled a meeting for Monday, August 6, 2007 at 7:30 a.m.

Mr. Petersen also questioned Mr. Vollmar about someone dumping asphalt on the Bennett property off of Marble Hill. Rick will also confer with Mr. Snyder about this issue to determine if there is a violation involved.

MR. LAVERY:

He noted that he received telephone calls from Mr. Wilson about the construction site and he informed Mr. Wilson that he must satisfy the engineer before continuing work.

Bid Specs for DPW Truck – He noted that he revised the bid specs for this project.

MR. TIBAK:

He noted that he is in process of updating the website and if anyone has anything to put on the site to please let him know.

MR. PETERSEN:

He said “hats off” to Steve and the DPW guys for the work they did to stabilize the bridge on Buzzards Glory. He asked Mr. Lavery if the township could put signs up stating a weight restriction and foot travel only”. Mr. Lavery suggested that this be done by Ordinance and he will prepare a draft and have it available for the next meeting.

MR. ROMANOWITCH:

He reported that the Township contracted with Petersen’s Tree Service and fifteen trees were taken down. Most of them were located on Marble Hill Road. He stated that Lewis Tree Service took down another tree on 94 Lakeside Drive West for JCPL.

Drains on Marble Hill have been taken care of the road is ready to be paved within a week or so.

EILEEN GREASON:

She reported that the Recreation Commission was offered to use a soccer field located in Oxford since they do not utilize it. Two goals are needed there.

The Beach water quality has been excellent! Not mowing made a difference as far as the geese are concerned. Attendance has been 20 – 30 during the week and 40 – 50 during weekends

She reported that 99 children enrolled in the Summer Program. They have had an Earth Day which was a success and are now planning a Beach Day next week.

The Boat Launch has brought in \$1,370 thus far and \$520.00 of that money was used for the portable rest rooms.

She noted that the Mt. Lake Community Association is going to celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary and the first Ruth Ballou Award will be given.

Mayor Inscho then asked Mr. Bolzan if he had anything he wanted to say. Mr. Bolzan stated that he was sure Mr. Grover would do a good job as township committeeman.

MR. FISHER:

He stated that Steve and the DPW did a wonderful job at the Bridge.

He noted that the mediator was approved by both townships and the school. He also noted that Mr. Bing called him yesterday about a conference call between the attorneys but that our attorney was on vacation. He noted that it was a “spare of the moment thing”. Mr. Fisher stated that there must have been some missed communication because our attorney was in his office and not on vacation.

He informed the Committee that an Ad Hoc Committee was being formed consisting of Mayor Inscho, Mr. Bolzan, Mr. Berkowitz, and himself.

Jennifer Cassini – GMR School Board Liaison informed the Committee of some issues which were discussed at the last meeting:

Maternity Leave  
New Principal for Central School  
No Child Left Behind  
Approval of some special education issues

MAYOR INSCHO: He thanked the staff and committee for the flowers sent to him and his family due to the recent loss of his beloved Mother.

He then read from a letter sent by Assemblywoman Karrow in reference to her efforts to try to improve the COAH laws.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: None

ROSENKRANZ AWARD: Mayor Inscho read the letter from Ms. Kayl asking that the award will be taken over by the Township along with the bank account. Mayor Inscho noted that Ms. Reilly conferred with our CFO about this and it can certainly be done. The money can be placed in the Recreation Trust Fund. Ms. Kayal stated that there are procedures to follow when giving the award. She will outline this and give to the Township.

REQUEST FOR CLEAN COMMUNITIES MONEY FROM PTO: Mayor Inscho noted that Ms. Reilly conferred with our CFO about this request and was informed that there is money available for them to do this. \$725.00 will be earmarked for the PTO to have an assembly entitled “Our Home Planet Earth”.

RESOLUTIONS: CONSENT AGENDA – ONE MOTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

07-33 Special Ruling for Lisbon Capri License  
07-34 Extend 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter tax payment for 2007  
07-35 Reduce property values due to calculation error  
Motion made by Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call as follows to approve the above resolutions.

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

End of Consent Agenda

MT. LAKE FIRE COMPANY NEW MEMBER REQUEST AND BLUE LIGHT PERMIT REQUEST. John Allen, Jesse Shores, and James Faulborn new members and Garrett Petersen and John Peters Blue Light Permits. Motion made by Mr. Tibak seconded by Mr. Fisher with roll call as follows to approve the above

ROLL CALL Tibak yes  
Petersen abstain  
Grover yes  
Fisher yes  
Inscho abstain

CONSTRUCTION REFUNDS REQUESTED BY MR. PRICE FOR THE FOLLOWING: \$2,017 from Mr. George Rowe to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Miccak and Mr. Tim O'Brien in the amount of \$322.00.

Discussion ensued as to an escrow amount owed by Mr. O'Brien for a lot line adjustment to the Land Use Board. It was decided to place the \$322 into an escrow and once the lot line adjustment is complete the balance be returned to Mr. O'Brien.

Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call unanimous to return \$2,017 from Mr. Rowe's building permit to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Miccak and place the O'Brien amount of \$322 into an escrow for the variance.

ORDINANCE 07-10 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE – Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call unanimous to approve on first reading. Second reading and public discussion will take place on September 6, 2007.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Motion made by Mr. Tibak, seconded by Mr. Fisher with roll call as follows to approve all bills on Bills List.

ROLL CALL Tibak yes  
Petersen yes  
Grover abstain  
Fisher yes  
Inscho yes

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

REGULAR SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call unanimous to enter back into regular session at 8:23 p.m.

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

Pending litigation  
Contractual Matter with The Lodge  
Pending Litigation in the Kristoff matter

Ballot Endorsement: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call unanimous to direct Ms. Reilly to write a letter the County Clerk asking that Mr. Daniel Grover's name be placed on the November ballot for Liberty Township Committee.

Mr. Lavery also informed Mayor Inscho that the Liberty Township Republican Committee write a letter to the County Clerk endorsing Mr. Oliver as well.

Mayor Inscho also noted that Mr. Tom Quinn of Medina Engineering will replace Mr. Rick Vollmar as our township engineer and he welcomed him aboard.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Willa L Reilly,  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator