

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP WORKSHOP MINUTES  
OCTOBER 23, 2008

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Inscho.  
SUNSHNE LAW COMPLIANCE read by Mayor Inscho.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Grover, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Inscho, Mr. Skoog and Ms. Reilly. Mr. Tibak and Mr. Petersen were absent this evening.

REPORTS: The following made reports this evening:

MR. ROMANOWITCH – The striping of the roads are being completed. The DPW will install a sand pipe for the Mt. Lake Fire Company.

EILEEN GREASON: She noted that in her capacity as Recreation Aid she will be in the office on Saturday mornings and Wednesday evenings. She noted that the concession stand is up and running and doing well. She also noted that Allied may take over the weed control at the Lake. She is looking into this.

MAYOR INSCHO: He noted that a meeting was held with representatives from White and Independence Township to talk about shared services for the building department. There are many questions which need to be answered but it is looking good

He thanked everyone involved in the Joan Kneckel Memorial Walk stating that they had a great turn out and that the event was very successful!

He noted that the Holiday Dinner for the Warren County League of Municipalities conflicts with the township meeting date of December 4, 2008. Therefore it was decided to change the township meeting date to December 3, 2008 instead of December 4, 2008.

He reported that the Fall Cleanup went very well. There were ten dumpsters, four of which were metal. He noted that next year all taxpayers will receive two tickets in their tax bills to allow them to take items to the dump two times per year for free.

In reference to the waste water letter he received, he noted that he would get the form and confer with our engineer about it.

He reported also that as of now, there will be no charge for State Police coverage by municipalities.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

Lynn Rutkoski – Lake Just It Rd. – questioned the status of the Casino and The Lodge.

At this time, Mayor Inscho asked Greg Sipple for his input as to the status of these two situations. Mr. Sipple gave a brief scenario of how the Open Space Committee was

instrumental in working with the Township Committee in purchasing these two properties. He stated that the Township's Master Plan no longer exists but has been taken over by the State of NJ Highlands Master Plan instead and that the State could dictate what is allowed near a lake buffer, etc. Mr. Sipple suggested bidding out for the sale of The Lodge.

Mr. Grover stated that they must start thinking about what to do with the Casino., He appreciated all the feedback given to him from the Open Space team.

Mayor Inscho suggested going to Trenton to have a meeting with the Highlands staff in order to answer the many questions everyone has. He stated that he would set up this meeting.

No further action taken at this time on this issue.

Chris Donnally – Marble Hill – He asked the status of Hidden Lake Estates. Mayor Inscho said he heard it may go up for auction and the township would like to purchase it. It could be used for recreational purposes.

No further public discussion at this time.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Fire Truck Bid – Motion made by Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Grover with roll call as follows to reject all bids for fire truck.

ROLL CALL	Grover	yes
	Fisher	yes
	Inscho	abstained

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Temporary Assistant for Tax Collector – Motion made by Mr. Grover, seconded by Mr. Fisher with roll call unanimous to employ Hanna Schuler to assist the tax collector at the rate of \$12.00 per hour until the end of this year.

LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES HOLIDAY MEETING – This will be held on 12/4/08 and Mayor Inscho stated that if anyone wishes to attend to let Ms. Reilly know in order for her to RSVP.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Fisher with roll call unanimous to enter into executive session at 7:42 to discussion sale of township property, shared services, pending litigation.

REGULAR SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Grover with roll call unanimous to enter back into regular session at 8:56.

Mayor Inscho explained that during executive session the following was discussed but no official action taken:

The Lodge  
The Casino  
Open Space  
Shared Services  
School issues  
Bennett

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Fisher with roll call unanimous to adjourn said meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Willa L. Reilly, RMC  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator