

MINUTES
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
March 5, 2009

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 7:06 P.M.
SUNSHINE LAW COMPLIANCE read by Mayor Inscho.
FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL: Mr. Tibak, Mr. Petersen, Mr. Grover, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Inscho, Mr. Skoog and Ms. Reilly.

APPROVAL OF MIUTES: Motion made by Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Inscho with roll call as follows to approve Minutes of 1/22/09 and 2/5/09:

ROLL CALL	Tibak	yes to 2/5/09 but abstains from 1/22/09
	Petersen	yes to both
	Grover	yes to both
	Fisher	yes to both
	Inscho	yes to both

REPORTS: The following made reports

MR. FAIRFIELD – He noted that he will meet with our tax assessor to do revisions to the tax maps. He said there were very few revisions to be made.

He conferred with Eric Snyder about the Wastewater Plan.

He referred to a letter he received from the County Engineer about putting rumble strips on areas of County Rt. 611 and Hope Road. He has reservations about this due to safety issues for motorcycles, etc. He would like to see them conduct a study. He was directed to write a letter to them stating his concerns.

COMMMITTEEMAN PETERSEN: He thanked Steve and the DEP for the terrific work they did during the snow storm.

COMMITTEEMAN FISHER: He noted that the Great Meadows Regional School Board moved their meeting from March 9, 2009 to March 16, 2009. No reason given.

DPW STEVE ROMANOWITCH: He noted that the GMC mason truck was repaired. The rear bearing went out and the clutch adjusted. It is under warranty.

LYNN RUTKOSKI – RECYCLING COORDINATOR: She reminded the Committee that she is awaiting the recycling ordinances.

MAYOR INSCHO: He proudly noted that a rebate check has been received from our insurance carrier in the amount of \$764.84 for policy year 2005-06.

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: He asked Ms. Reilly to inventory purchases for the OEM office.

One Time Stipend in the amount of \$2,000 for new tax collector Pat Noll for all the extra time and work she has done in straightening out the tax office. Motion made by Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Inscho with roll call unanimous to approve this stipend.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

Lynn Rutkoski noted that some of the scouts will be preparing to become Eagle Scouts and she asked who they could come to with questions. Mayor Inscho said they would be welcome to call any member of the Committee with questions. Mr. Fisher also stated that Congresswoman Karrow would also be a wonderful contact for them. Ms. Reilly will give Mr. Rutkoski Congresswoman Karrow's telephone number.

Trooper Marshatier from NJ State Police Barracks in Washington was present this evening. He made a report on the number and types of incidents in Liberty Township. This will be condensed in writing and given to the Township. Mayor Inscho thanked him for coming this evening.

RESOLUTIONS:

09-12 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS ON COUNTY ROUTE 519 AND COUNTY ROUTE 611 PROJECT FUNDED THROUGH THE NJTPA HIGH RISK RURAL ROAD PROGRAM IN HARMONY, HOPE, INDEPENDENCE, LIBERTY AND WHITE TOWNSHP, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY. Motion made by Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Inscho with roll call unanimous to adopt said Resolution and have Engineer Fairfield write a letter to accompany this resolution stating our concerns about the county wanting to install rumble strips on county roadways. Mr. Fairfield will prepare a letter and send it to Ms. Reilly to include with this resolution.

09-13 – RESOLUTION IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR PLAN CONFORMANCE GRANT NEW JERSEY HIGHLANDS COUNCIL. Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Grover with roll call unanimous to approve said Resolution.

09-14 – RESOLUTION TO CANCEL TAXES – Motion made by Mr. Tibak, seconded by Mr. Grover with roll call unanimous to approve said Resolution.

ORDINANCE:

09-01 – AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK. Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Fisher with roll call unanimous to adopt said Ordinance at first reading. Second reading and public discussion will be conducted on April 2, 2009.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH SCHOOL: Discussion ensued as to why this agreement is needed. Mr. Fisher will check with the school concerning some issues about the availability of the use of the gym, etc. Mr. Petersen stated that he feels this agreement is not needed. Mr. Grover feels it just more paperwork. No action taken at this time.

PAYMENT OF BILLS ON BILLS LIST: MOTION MADE BY Mr. Tibak, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to pay all bills on bills list.

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

REGULAR SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Grover with roll call unanimous to enter back into regular session at 8:00 p.m.

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

Contractual
Pending Litigation

Minutes of Executive Session will be made available when determined no harm to public.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Willa L. Reilly, RMC
Municipal Clerk/Administrator