

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES  
JUNE 4, 2009

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Inscho at 7:03 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, Mr. Fairfield and Ms. Reilly.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

April 23, 2009 – May 4, 2009 – May 7, 2009 – May 13, 2009 – Motion made by Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call as follows to adopt said Minutes.

Mr. Tibak	yes to all
Mr. Petersen	yes to all
Mr. Grover	yes to all
Mr. Fisher	yes to all except abstains from May 4, 2009
Mr. Inscho	yes to all

REPORTS:

Engineer Fairfield – he reported the following:

Mentor Group Home applied for a driveway permit and basketball court. They were advised to submit an engineer's sketch, etc.

He noted that the folks on Lakeside Drive who are repairing a 12 foot wall must obtain a permit.

He noted that he will review the request from Liberty School for a Bus Stop sign and make a report at the next meeting.

Mr. Petersen asked if the Highlands are involved in any way at the Mentor Group Home and Mr. Fairfield said he will advise them to contact the Highlands. Mr. Fisher asked if they are within 1,000 feet of the river and Mr. Fairfield said he would check into this as well.

Committeeman Tibak – he reported the following:

Community Day planning is all set to go.

The Recreation Commission is looking into doing the background checks for coaches and everything should be ready at our next meeting to take a vote.

He also noted that they are obtaining quotes for the boat dock.

Committeeman Grover – he reported the following:

He is checking into the electric light issue at the Casino.

He noted that he received the requested maps from Comcast and found areas which are not covered by Comcast. He will be looking into this further.

Committeeman Fisher – he reported the following:

The Supreme Court ruled on the new funding formula for schools. It changes some of the ways the funding is done. Makes more money available. It will be reviewed again after three years. He would like to invite our feasibility consultants to come to a meeting to explain how this funding formula affects us. It was unanimously decided to invite our consultants to a meeting on July 2, 2009 and begin the meeting at 6:30 instead of 7:00 p.m. Ms. Reilly was directed to invite Great Meadows Regional Board of Education and the Independence Township Committee to this meeting.

DPW Supervisor Mr. Romanowitch – he reported the following:

Cross drains have been installed and working on intersection of Townsbury and Pequest Road. The DPW will be working around Mt. Lake most of next week to prepare for Community Day.

Mayor Inscho – He reported the following:

He called DEP about waiving the septic bill at The Lodge since it is not being used at this time.

He noted that the auction of The Lodge will probably take place near the end of July.

#### PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

Lisa Thomas – Lakeside Drive – She asked if there is going to be a liquor license available for whoever is buying The Lodge. Mayor Inscho said that there are three licenses available.

Mr. Egan – Lewis Lane – He wanted to know figure the township committee was considering in the bidding process. Mr. Skoog explained that the Committee has the right to reject any bid.

Mr. Petersen said it would be foolish for the Committee to announce what they had in mind. He said they don't care where it starts but care where it ends up.

End of public discussion.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Ratify waiving fees for Warren County to install Keimel shed. This was done by telephone poll on May 11, 2009. Motion made by Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Grover with roll call unanimous to ratify waiving this fee.

Letter to Gov. Corzine opposing his cutting funds for EMT Training – Ms. Reilly was directed to write a letter stating that the Committee is against this.

Letter from Blaiirstown Mayor asking to be lead agency for Construction Office Shared Services. Discussion ensued that this would be an inconvenience to our residents. Mr. Grover offered to meet with their mayor to discuss this. Ms. Reilly was directed to contact Blaiirstown and set up a meeting with Mr. Grover and their mayor.

Mr. Lake Fire Company – Red Light Permit for Mr. Jalosky and Blue Light Permit for Mr. Charner. Motion made by Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Grover with roll call as follows to grant these requests:

Roll Call	Mr. Tibak	yes
	Mr. Petersen	yes
	Mr. Grover	yes
	Mr. Fisher	yes
	Mt. Inscho	abstained

#### RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 09-32 – Liquor License Renewals – Motion made by Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Grover with roll call unanimous to adopt said Resolution.

Resolution 09-33 – Insertion of Any Special Item of Revenue – Motion made by Mr. Tibak, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to adopt said Resolution.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Motion made by Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Grover with roll call unanimous to pay all bills on Bills List.

At this time Mr. Thomas read a statement. (See attached).

He also asked the status of the check the township is holding for the new fire truck.

Mr. Skoog was asked if all the paperwork was in order and he said yes. Motion made by Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Grover with roll call as follows to direct Mr. Lifer cut a check in the amount of \$120,000 (\$60,000 for year 2008 and \$60,000 for year 2009) toward the purchase of the fire truck and give to the Mt. Lake Fire Company. Ms. Reilly will notify Mr. Lifer of this request.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At this time Mayor Inscho announced that the Committee make a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss a contractual matter with the Mt. Lake Fire Company.

President Joe Thomas of the Mt. Lake Fire Company stated that the members of the Fire Company want this session to be public and not discussed in Executive Session.

Mr. Skoog explained that since it was a contractual matter it had to be discussed in Executive Session. Motion then made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to enter into Executive Session to discuss contractual matter with the Mt. Lake Fire Company.

REGULAR SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to enter back into regular session at 7:41 p.m.

Mayor Inscho explained that during Executive Session a contractual matter was discussed with the Mt. Lake Fire Company and no official action was taken at that time. Minutes of this session will be made available when determined no harm to the public.

Motion made by Mr. Grover, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call unanimous to direct Mr. Skoog to negotiate some of the figures in the shared services agreement for the fire truck.

Motion made by Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Tibak with roll call as follows to adopt the Hold Harmless Agreement

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Willa L. Reilly, RMC  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator