

AUGUST 27, 2009 WORKSHOP MINUTES
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 7:00 P.M.

SUNSHINE LAW COMPLIANCE read by Mayor Inscho.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL: Mr. Tibak, Mr. Petersen, Mr. Grover, Mr. Inscho, Mr. Skoog and Ms. Reilly Let the record reflect that Mr. Fisher arrived at 7:20 p.m.

REPORTS:

MS. REILLY – She noted that Mr. Fairfield will be discussing the request by Liberty School for a Bus Stop sign at the meeting next week.

COMMITTEEMAN TIBAK – Noted that it was good to see Mr. Petersen sitting next to him this evening after all he went thru in a truck accident.

He noted that the Recreation Commission would like the cracks in the basketball court to be repaired. This will be looked into.

COMMITTEEMAN PETERSEN – He thanked everyone for the cards, prayers, flowers, etc. that he received after his accident. He wanted everyone to know how much this was appreciated.

He then noted that perhaps by Fall part of the demolition of the Lisbon Capri will begin. He noted that the new roof on the garage near the beach is being completed.

COMMITTEEMAN GROVER – No report at this time.

DPW SUPERVISOR MR. ROMANOWITCH – He noted that various drains around the township are being repaired. He stated that the roof on the stone building near the Fire House will be replaced once they finish the roof of the garage by the Lisbon Capri. He also noted that the bridge on Lakeside Drive North was hit. He contacted the county engineer about this and the State Police.

He noted that he received a complaint from Mr. Pursel about a retaining wall problem near his home. This matter will be looked into.

He noted that Mr. Cerny's last day will be September 4, 2009. The DPW will return to regular hours on September 8, 2009.

At this time Mayor Inscho, on behalf of the Committee, stated what a terrific job Mr. Cerny does on the DPW. He noted that he does an outstanding job as does the entire

DPW! It was decided by the Committee to allow Mr. Cerny to continue his employment with the township until the end of September, 2009 allowing him to work when taking down the old soap factory building.

ATTORNEY SKOOG – He reported that he attended a Highlands meeting. He said the proposed resolution consists of 123 pages and is being updated daily.

FRANK JOSEPH – He represented the Mt. Lake Community Association as well as the Water Shed Advisory Board. He thanked the Committee for all of their assistance in keeping the lake a valuable resource! He then presented the Committee with a framed map of the lake. He also gave the township the Ruth Ballou Environmental Activism Award Plaque which names Duane Copley, Eileen Greason and Rob and Alice Bechock. A name will be added each year. Also, a plaque stating Outstanding Service to the Mountain Lake Community Association was also given to the township to display.

COMCAST – Mr. Smith was present to answer questions pertaining to Comcast. It was noted that the original agreement noted that the entire township would be covered but it is not. Mr. Smith asked what areas were not covered.

Ken Pandorf from 32 Jenny Jump said he has been trying for years to get service. Mr. Smith responded by saying there are line extension policies involved. Mr. Skoog noted that the Ordinance dated back in 1996 specifically states that all residents of the township on public roads will get service and does not mention any line extension policy.

Mr. Grover stated that he does not feel comfortable granting an agreement unless all residents are served. He asked Mr. Smith to come back to the Committee with a plan to service all residents.

Mr. Skoog again noted the language in the Ordinance is quite forthright and Mr. Smith should have enough time to have an answer for the public hearing on October 1, 2009.

Mr. Inscho also asked that the Mt. Lake Volunteer Fire Company receive free cable instead of having to pay each month. Mr. Smith said he would look into this.

Mayor Inscho thanked Mr. Smith for attending this evening.

Mayor Inscho then asked the Committee to review the proposed meeting packet for next week and if any changes to let Ms. Reilly know.

He also asked that the proposed Recycling Ordinance be sent to the Land Use Board for their review. Ms. Reilly will give this to Ms. Dossena.

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

REGULAR SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to enter back into regular session at 7:50 p.m.

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

Comcast Cable
Service Electric Cable
Bert Bennett pending litigation matter

Minutes of this session will be made available when deemed no harm to public.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Willa L. Reilly, RMC
Municipal Clerk/Administrator