

A Special advertised meeting of the Township of Liberty was held in the Municipal Building, 349 Mountain Lake Road, Great Meadows on 21 December 2010. The meeting was opened by Mayor John Fisher with Adequate Notice of Meeting and the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:10 p.m.

Present: Mayor John Fisher; Deputy Mayor John Inscho; Mark Tibak; Dan Grover, and Ronald Petersen

Also, Present: Wassim Nader, Municipal Engineer; and, Roger Skoog, Municipal Attorney

At 6:11 pm a motion by John Inscho to adopt the following Resolution carried.

Resolution #2010.56

WHEREAS, The Open Public Meetings Act P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, This public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exists; and

WHEREAS, The governing body may wish to discuss any of the following conditions; confidential provisions of Federal Law or State Statute; information that may impair receipt of federal funding; invasion of individual privacy; collective bargaining agreement; real property negotiations; litigation; and, personnel and personnel policy. Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public.

- ✓ Potential Litigation
- ✓ Personnel
- ✓ Personnel
- ✓ Contractual Agreement

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the public be excluded from this meeting.

Vote: aye - Tibak
aye - Petersen
aye - Grover
aye - Inscho
aye - Fisher

John Fisher,
Mayor

At 7:33 pm, a motion by John Inscho to reconvene the public meeting carried.

Mayor Fisher stated that during executive session matters of potential litigation, personnel, personnel discipline and contractual agreement were discussed. Action to follow. Minutes of this session will be made available when deemed no harm to the public.

Following explanation by Dan Grover, a motion by John Inscho to adopt the following Resolutions carried.

Resolution #2010.57
Resolution for Local Government Energy Audit

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, Office of Clean Energy administers the Local Government Energy Audit Program, an incentive program to assist local government agencies to conduct energy audits and to encourage implementation of energy conservation measures providing opportunities to save energy and lower utility bills; and,

WHEREAS, One of the responsibilities of the Governing Body of Liberty Township is to work hard to control taxpayer costs; and

WHEREAS, The Governing Body of Liberty Township has decided to perform a Equivalent Level II Energy Audit as required by the Program; and,

WHEREAS, The facilities to be audited are in Warren County, New Jersey, are owned by Liberty Township, and are served by a New Jersey regulated public utility; and,

WHEREAS, The Governing Body of Liberty Township has not previously applied for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG), New Jersey Smart Start Rebate, or New Jersey Smart Start Energy Efficiency Incentive of \$20,000.00 available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA); and

WHEREAS, It is acknowledged that acceptance into the Program is dependent on the Scope of Work and cost proposal, and that Program rules will have to be met in order to receive incentive funds; and,

WHEREAS, Upon acceptance into the Program, the Governing Body of Liberty Township shall complete Facility Data Forms and Scopes of Work for each facility to be audited, solicit quotations from the authorized contractors, and submit the appropriate applications; and,

WHEREAS, The Governing Body of Liberty Township understands that construction work cannot proceed until an Application Approval Notice is received from the Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED The Governing Body of Liberty Township approves the submission of an application for participation in the Equivalent Level II Energy Audit, Smart Start Rebate Incentive Program, and Smart Start Energy Efficiency Incentive Program of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

Vote: aye - Tibak
aye - Petersen
aye - Grover
aye - Inscho
aye - Fisher

John Fisher,
Mayor

Resolution #2010.58
Resolution for Direct Install Program

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, Office of Clean Energy administers the Direct Install Program, an incentive program to assist local government agencies to replace inefficient mechanical & electrical systems and to encourage implementation of energy conservation measures providing opportunities to save energy and lower utility bills; and,

WHEREAS, One of the responsibilities of the Governing Body of Liberty Township is to work hard to control taxpayer costs; and

WHEREAS, The Governing Body of Liberty Township has decided to solicit contractors to provide direct install replacement and incentive as required by the Program; and,

WHEREAS, The facilities to be audited are in Warren County, New Jersey, are owned by Liberty Township, and are served by a New Jersey regulated public utility; and,

WHEREAS, The Governing Body of Liberty Township has not previously applied for the direct install incentive available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA);

WHEREAS, It is acknowledged that acceptance into the Program is dependent on the Scope of Work, incentive level available, cost proposal, and that Program rules will have to be met in order to receive incentive funds; and,

WHEREAS, The Governing Body of Liberty Township understands that construction work cannot proceed until a Application Approval Notice is received from the Program; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By The Governing Body of Liberty Township approves the submission of an application for participation in the New Jersey Smart Start Direct Install Incentive of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities;

Vote: aye - Tibak
aye - Petersen
aye - Grover
aye - Inscho
aye - Fisher

John Fisher,
Mayor

PERSONNEL – Following discussion in executive session, John Inscho stated that he would contact the Municipal Labor Counsel regarding the employment of a new-part time employee and the May 2010 revised employee pension program.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, a motion by John Inscho to adjourn the meeting carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Diane M Pflugfelder RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk/Administrator
Minutes Approved 6 January 2011