

A special scheduled workshop of the Township of Liberty was held in the Lodge, 11 Lakeside East, Belvidere, NJ on 28 July 2011. The meeting was opened by Mayor John Inscho with Adequate Notice of Meeting and the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:13 p.m.

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

Absent: John Fisher

Also, Present: Roger Skoog, Municipal Attorney

NEW BUSINESS

Auction of Lodge, 11 Lakeside Drive East, Belvidere, New Jersey

Mayor Inscho expressed his disappointment that there where no interested parties in the auction of Lodge on this date and his thank you for those public members in attendance for their continued support. Comments were received from all committeepersons present and the intention to potentially conduct an future auction was expressed.

PUBLIC COMMENT was opened at 6:17 pm.

Alice Bechok – Ms. Bechok inquired into the status of cleaning up the Casino site.

Lynn Gilmore – Ms. Gilmore questioned the sale of the Lodge by use of a Relator and the justification of the minimum bid of \$250,000.00.

Lisa Thomas – Ms. Thomas asked about the lodge deed restrictions.

Judy McDonnell – Ms. McDonnell inquired into plans to improve the Casino site

Lisa Thomas – Ms. Thomas questioned the general store site maintenance and requested a portable rest room facility be placed at the Lodge site for pubic use.

At 6:36 pm a motion by John Inscho to adopt the following Resolution carried.

Resolution #2011.70

*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.

- ✓ Personnel and Personnel Policy

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

Vote: absent - Fisher

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aye - Petersen  
aye - Grover  
aye - Tibak  
aye - Inscho

John Inscho,  
Mayor

At 6:46 pm, a motion by John Inscho to reconvene the public meeting carried.

Mayor Inscho stated that during executive session matters of personnel were discussed. Action to follow.

A motion by John Inscho to adopt the following Resolution carried.

Resolution #2011.71  
Appointment of Municipal Tax Assessor

*WHEREAS*, With the retirement of Lydia Schmidt as the Municipal Tax Assessor of Liberty Township, Warren County, a vacancy has occurred in the office of Municipal Tax Assessor; and

*WHEREAS*, In accordance with NJSA 40A:9-146, there is hereby created the office of Municipal Tax Assessor and the Municipal Tax Assessor shall be appointed by the Liberty Township Committee; and

*WHEREAS*, The Liberty Township Committee had publicly advertised and conducted interviews for the position of Municipal Tax Assessor; and

*WHEREAS*, The Liberty Township Committee recognizes Penny Holenstein as well qualified for the position of Municipal Tax Assessor of Liberty Township.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED* By the Township Committee of the Township of Liberty, Warren County, New Jersey, Penny Holenstein is hereby confirmed as the Municipal Tax Assessor of the Township of Liberty, Warren County effective 28 July 2011, with an expiration of term 30 June 2012.

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

TOWNSHIP MEETING – Due to potential lack of available quorum it was agreed to reschedule the regular township committee meeting of 1 September 2011 to 8 September 2011.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Diane M Pflugfelder RMC/CMC  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator  
Minutes Approved 4 August 2011