

A regularly scheduled workshop of the Township of Liberty was held in the Municipal Building, 349 Mountain Lake Road, Great Meadows on 27 September 2012. The meeting was opened by Mayor John Inscho with Adequate Notice of Meeting and the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:13 p.m.

Present: Mayor John Inscho; Deputy Mayor John Fisher; Dan Grover; Ronald Petersen, and Peter Karcher

Also, Present: Roger Skoog, Municipal Attorney; and, Diane M Pflugfelder, Municipal Clerk/Administrator

REPORTS

COMMITTEEPERSON PETERSEN

Ron Petersen reported that the Stormwater Management work on the area of Jenny Jump State Park, above the Lewis Lane area, had been completed and proven successful in recent storms. The Mayor will pursue the continuation of Lewis Lane with current property owners to assist with this stormwater management program.

Overlay plans are tentatively scheduled for Lakeside Drive North and Lakeside Drive West in November 2012.

Improvements on the garage at the beach site have been completed.

The tree issue on Hillside Terrace has been resolved.

COMMITTEEPERSON GROVER

Dan Grover stated that he would present the draft pavilion plans at the next meeting of the Township Committee.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Steve Romanowitch, CPWM, presented the following verbal report:

- ✓ A cross drain on Lakeside Drive North will be repaired prior to the paving project.
- ✓ The last day for John Cerny, seasonal employee, will be 28 September 2012.

MAYOR INSCHO

John Inscho reported that an additional party has contacted him with an interest in the Lodge.

He also reported that the Recreation Center water test had failed for coliform and treatment would begin 28 September 2012.

REPORTS

Lieutenant Terri Genardi, Jenny Jump State Park Police, and additional Sergeants attended the meeting to discuss policing of Jenny Jump State Park all-terrain vehicle activity and the resulting damage. Ron Petersen explained the municipality's areas of concern, the vegetative destruction and Stormwater remediation. Lieutenant provided basics of their patrolling plan and contact information for those Sergeants responsible for this area.

OLD BUSINESS

MUNICIAPL WASTE QUOTES

Municipal Waste Quotes were obtained from four local companies. The information will be used for contract renewal comparisons.

NEW BUSINESS

MUNICIPAL CODE – CHAPTER 1

Discussion ensued on the updating of Liberty Township Municipal Code, Chapter 1, General Provisions. Action is to follow at next meeting of the Township Committee.

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANTS

Discussion followed on the 2012 NJDOT Funding for the two-inch milling of Lakeside Drive West and Lakeside Drive North through the Morris County Co-op. It was agreed to pursue and 2013 NJDPT Grant for portions of Quenby Mountain Road.

SESI BILLING

Discussion ensued on the authorization and legal commitment to pay a SESI bill of 18 June 2012. The Municipal Attorney will investigate for the next meeting of the Township Committee.

BEST PRACTICES

Following review of the Best Practices Worksheet CY2012/SFY2013, a motion by John Fisher to adopt the document carried.

NJ ENERGY RECEIPTS

Dan Grover expressed concern over the 2013 tax revenue lost from the loss of NJ Energy Tax Receipts. The Tax Assessor is to be contacted for specific information.

PUBLIC COMMENT was opened at 7:52 pm.

Lisa Thomas – Ms. Thomas inquired into the availability of an electrical source for public use.

Lynn Gilman – Ms. Gilman inquired into the private vs. public ownership of Wood Road and the availability of public access on said road. She also questioned the party of large vehicles upon Roads around Mountain Lake.

At 7:58 pm a motion by John Inscho to adopt the following Resolution carried.

Resolution #2012.061

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.

- ✓ Litigation - Dierlam Settlement
- ✓ Personnel - Committee members

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

Vote: aye - Karcher
aye - Petersen
aye - Grover

John Inscho,
Mayor

aye - Fisher
aye - Inscho

At 8:11 pm, a motion by Mayor Inscho to reconvene the public meeting carried.

Mayor Inscho stated that during executive session matters of litigation settlement and personnel were discussed. No action to follow.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Diane M Pflugfelder RMC/MMC
Municipal Clerk/Administrator
Minutes Approved 4 October 2012