

AGENDA  
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP WORKSHOP

27 April 2017  
7:00 PM

Municipal Building  
349 Mountain Lake Road  
Great Meadows, NJ 07838

Sunshine Notice  
Flag Salute  
Roll Call

Reports:  
Committeepersons  
Mayor

Unfinished Business  
Laketoberfest, 24 September 2017  
Proposal for Merger of Liberty/Independence Recreation Programs

New Business  
Pavilion Reservation Request, LTRC for Mt Lake Community Association

Resolutions  
National Day of Prayer

Public Comment  
Executive Session

Adjournment

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A regularly scheduled workshop of the Township of Liberty was held in the Municipal Building, 349 Mountain Lake Road, Great Meadows on 27 April 2017. The meeting was opened by Mayor John Inscho with Adequate Notice of Meeting and the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Mayor John Inscho; Carl Cummins; Ron Petersen; and Peter Karcher

Absent: Deputy Mayor Dan Grover

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

REPORTS

COMMITTEEPERSON KARCHER

Committeeperson Karcher presented a slate of summer staff.  
A motion by John Inscho to adopt the following Resolution carried.

Resolution #2017.034  
Salary

aye - Petersen  
 aye - Cummins  
 absent - Grover  
 aye - Inscho

John Inscho,  
 Mayor

#### COMMITTEEPERSON KARCHER

Mr. Karcher reported that an individual resident has offered the donation of a mechanical bull for the community day program. Attorney Skoog will investigate liability coverage.

#### COMMITTEEPERSON PETERSEN

Mr. Petersen reported that the Municipal Engineering have filed sediment management investigation for Hidden Lake and found no issues. The process is to continue with funding research.

#### COMMITTEEPERSON CUMMINS

Mr. Cummins informed everyone that the LandUse meeting had been canceled.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### LAKETOBERFEST

Discussion on the proposed Laketoberfest event continued from the prior meeting. Josh Huber, co-owner of DASH Multisport, informed everyone that Laketoberfest would be a road running race with two laps around Mountain Lake. Dana Baffuto, co-owner of DASH Multisport, presented data that DASH Multisport was created in 2016; a portion of proceeds from the 2016 Triathlon were donated to the Mountain Lake Community Association, the Mountain Lake Fire Company, and the Oxford and Independence Rescue Squads in response to their volunteer services.

Discussion ensued on the following topics;

- ✓ Laketoberfest schedule (approximately 8 am to noon)
- ✓ Laketoberfest setup location at the Mountain Lake Firehouse for start lines
- ✓ Laketoberfest finish line is proposed to be in the grass area at the Lodge
- ✓ Laketoberfest is anticipating of 200 participants
- ✓ Laketoberfest entrance fee would be \$35 per person with an increase over time
- ✓ Triathlon entrance fee would be \$75-\$85
- ✓ Laketoberfest is a road race not including bicycle or swimming safety equipment
- ✓ Laketoberfest would need secure timing equipment
- ✓ Laketoberfest would need to advertise and required the donation of man hours
- ✓ Laketoberfest will be soliciting sponsors
- ✓ Laketoberfest would be responsible to secure insurance and naming the Township of Liberty as additionally insured
- ✓ Laketoberfest would have a pamphlet, shirts and signage along the route with sponsor advertisements
- ✓ Triathlon 2016 sponsorship donations totaled \$1,650.00
- ✓ Triathlon 2016 had 127 participants
- ✓ Triathlon 2016 grossed over \$2000 to DASH Multisport and the Lake Association received 30%
- ✓ Triathlon 2016 insurance coverage was obtained by the Mountain Lake Community Association
- ✓ Laketoberfest is pursuing certification as a sanctioned race for Track/Field National qualification.
- ✓ Triathlon safety concerns for 2017 include water. Oxford Rescue Squad had a boat in Mountain Lake 2016 and potentially a second for 2017.
- ✓ Discussion ensued on ratio of emergency staff vs. participants and spectators
- ✓ Carolyn Pullman, Treasurer of Mountain Lake Community Association, and Shannon Schaaf, President, reported that the donation from the 2016 Triathlon was used to fund Mountain Lake treatments; preparing a lake management plan, identifying native vs. invasive plants; as well as lily pad control on the south end of the lake.
- ✓ Triathlon 2016 was funded 100% by the Mountain Lake Community Association.
- ✓ Triathlon 2016 participants signed a Hold Harmless waiver. Attorney Skoog asked that the Township of Liberty also be named in this Hold Harmless waiver.

Resolution #2017.035  
National Day of Prayer 2017

*WHEREAS*, the 66<sup>th</sup> observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, 4 May 2017, with the theme “For Your Great Name’s Sake, Hear Us, Forgive Us, Heal Us” based on Daniel 9:19, “O Lord, listen! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, hear and act! For Your Sake, O my God”; and,

*WHEREAS*, a National Day of Prayer has been a part of our national heritage since it was declared by the First Continental Congress in 1775 and the united States Congress in 1952 approved as a Joint Resolution, “That the President shall set aside and proclaim a suitable day each year, other than a Sunday, as a national Day of Prayer, on which the people of the United States may turn to God in prayer and meditation at churches, in groups and as individuals”; and,

*WHEREAS*, the United States Congress, in 1988 by Public Law 100-307, as amended, establishes, “An act to provide for setting aside the first Thursday in May as the date on which the National Day of Prayer is celebrated”; and,

*WHEREAS*, leaders and citizens of our communities, cities, states and nation are afforded the privilege of prayer with the joy of seeking divine guidance, strength, protection and comfort from Almighty God; and,

*WHEREAS*, recognizing the love of God, we, citizens of Liberty Township treasure the freedom to gather in prayer, exercising reliance on God’s power in the face of present challenges and threats, asking for His blessing on every individual of our municipality.

*THEREFORE*, the Liberty Township Committee does hereby proclaim:

Thursday, 4 May 2017 to be designated as  
“A DAY OF PRAYER IN LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, NJ”

Throughout the Township of Liberty and we commend this observance to all of the residents.

Vote: aye - Karcher  
aye - Petersen  
aye - Cummins  
absent - Grover  
aye - Inscho

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John Inscho,  
Mayor

PUBLIC COMMENT was opened at 7:47 pm.

Jodee Inscho – Ms. Inscho announced the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education has proposed a realignment of school facilities and students. A survey can be found on the Board of education website for public input.

Shannon Schaaf – Ms. Schaaf reported that 2017 is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Mountain Lake Community Association. An Anniversary event is planned for 4 August 2017 at the Mountain Lake Firehouse.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:53 pm a motion by John Inscho to adopt the following Resolution carried.

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

Vote: aye - Karcher  
aye - Petersen  
aye - Cummins  
absent - Grover  
aye - Inscho

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John Inscho,  
Mayor

At 8:16 pm, a motion by Mayor Inscho to reconvene the public meeting carried. No action to follow.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Diane M Pflugfelder RMC/MMC  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator  
Minutes Approved 4 May 2017

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