

AGENDA
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP WORKSHOP

22 June 2017
7:00 PM

Municipal Building
349 Mountain Lake Road
Great Meadows, NJ 07838

Sunshine Notice
Flag Salute
Roll Call

Reports:

Committeepersons
Mayor
Municipal Professionals

Approval of Agenda

Unfinished Business

Recreation Facility Application

New Business

Mailbox Location
Alternate Newspaper for 2018

Resolutions

ABC Annual Renewals

Public Comment

Executive Session

Adjournment

A regularly scheduled workshop of the Township of Liberty was held in the Municipal Building, 349 Mountain Lake Road, Great Meadows on 22 June 2017. The meeting was opened by Mayor John Inscho with Adequate Notice of Meeting and the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

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

Absent: Carl Cummins

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

REPORTS

COMMITTEEPERSON KARCHER

Mr. Karcher reported on the success of a free night of yoga at the John R Fisher Pavilion coordinated by the recreation commission. Following discussion, a motion by Pete Karcher to authorize the Liberty Township Recreation Commission to coordinate the following schedule of events at the John R Fisher Pavilion with any collected fees to pay the instructors for said sessions, carried.

- 5 July – Yoga with Amanda Loguidice
- 12 July – Tai Chi with Stan
- 19 July – Yoga with Courtney Harrison
- 25 July – Yoga with Courtney Harrison

COMMITTEEPERSON GROVER

Mr. Grover reported that he will be coordinating with Chuck Harvey, DPW Supervisor, to review the generator project plans.

COMMITTEEPERSON CUMMINS

In Mr. Cummins absence, Mayor Inscho reported that Carl Cummins was requesting the consent to rent a small piece of excavating equipment to investigate the composition of the wall base along Lakeside Drive West. A motion by Mayor Inscho to authorize the rental of said equipment carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as distributed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

RECREATION FACILITY APPLICATION

Review of draft recreation facility application concluded with comments to revise. The draft is to be revisited at the 6 July meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

MAILBOX LOCATION

Due to increased incidents with traffic on Mountain Lake Road the Municipal Clerk pursued the relocation of the mailbox from the across the street to the same side as the municipal building. Mayor Inscho spoke with the Hackettstown Post Master and mail carrier. The mailbox has been removed and Liberty Township Municipal Building is now a dismount location for the postal carrier.

ALTERNATE NEWSPAPER FOR 2018

In review of 2018 preparation, alternate newspapers are being researched. In lieu of Courier News from Somerset County, NJ, a motion by Dan Grover to appoint the Express Times as the alternative newspaper in 2018 carried.

RESOLUTIONS

A motion by Dan Grover to adopt the following Resolution carried.

Resolution #2017.052
Issuance of 2017-2018 Liquor Licenses

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Committee of the Township of Liberty, County of Warren and State of New Jersey, that the following licenses have made application for the renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses and Plenary Retail Distribution Licenses and having complied with all the terms of the Liberty Township Municipal Code, Chapter 39, Alcoholic Beverages, be renewed for the premises indicated by the address below with the respective names, for the term of one year from the first day of July 2017, to midnight, 30 June 2018;

House of Liquors LLC	514 Route 46 Oxford, New Jersey 07863 License # 2114.44.005.004 Fee: \$871.93
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Villa Venice	Bidjev Enterprises Inc 489 Route 46 Great Meadows, New Jersey 07838 License # 2114.33.006.004 Fee: \$871.93
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Vote: aye - Karcher
aye - Grover
absent - Cummins
aye - Petersen
aye - Inscho

John Inscho,
Mayor

PUBLIC COMMENT was opened at 7:28 pm.

William Vonder Haar – Mr. Vonder Haar presented a report of intended actions by the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education.

Alice Bechok – Ms. Bechok questioned if Liberty Township could return the student population to Belvidere High school system in lieu of Hackettstown? She also inquired into the status of the dock install at the beach.

Dan Kurela – Mr. Kurela presented survey results from the Liberty Township Environmental Commission light pollution survey. He suggested that the Township Committee consider adopting guidelines for outside lighting. He also advised that on Community Day the Environmental Commission was questioned on chemicals used for Mountain Lake weed control and gypsy moth spraying. He asked that all chemicals used within the municipality be posted on the website for public access.

Shannon Schaaf – Ms Schaaf inquired if Lakeside Drive would be open on 15 July to allow the Triathlon to continue as scheduled.

Lynn Gilmore – Ms. Gilmore thanked the DPW for posting road narrows signage along Lakeside Drive West

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:00 pm a motion by John Inscho to adopt the following Resolution carried.

RESOLUTION #2017.053
EXECUIVE SESSION

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 Township Committee 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 – Higgins OPRA

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

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

 John Inscho,
 Mayor

At XXX pm, a motion by Mayor Inscho to reconvene the public meeting carried. Mayor Inscho stated that during executive session a matter of litigation was discussed. No action to follow.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Diane M Pflugfelder RMC/MMC
 Municipal Clerk/Administrator
 Minutes Approved 6 July 2017
