

MARCH 22, 2007 WORKSHOP MINUTES
LIBERTY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Inscho at 7:08 p.m.

SUNSHINE LAW COMPLIANCE read by Mayor Inscho.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL: Mr. Tibak, Mr. Petersen, Mr. Bolzan, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Inscho, Mr. Lavery and Ms. Reilly.

REPORTS:

Ms. Reilly – She noted that Ms. Sylvia Kovacs hand delivered a copy of the Sustainable Agriculture Grant Application this date which needs a letter of support from the Township Committee. Eileen Greason stated that Ms. Kovacs asked her to assist in this application but Eileen felt the township should not get involved since it is Highlands money, etc. It was decided to invite Ms. Kovacs to the April 5, 2007 Township meeting to discuss this matter.

Mr. Lavery – No report at this time.

Mr. Tibak – No report at this time.

Mr. Petersen – He noted a situation at the Lake on an unimproved road. A tree broke off but homeowner was not sure if it was on township property. The homeowner is willing to take the tree down but needs township permission. After conferring with Mr. Lavery, it was decided to allow homeowner to take the tree down.

Mr. Bolzan – No report at this time.

Mr. Fisher – He reported that he and Mr. Bolzan attended a Department of Education Meeting in Trenton this date. It was noted that the State are requesting further figures from the township. Most of the figures are already in the actual report but the other information will be provided by Mr. Gagliardi. He stated that a public hearing will be held on this matter on April 19, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. at Centenary College.

Eileen Greason – STORM WATER: She noted that the storm water inspection went well. The Township is getting a grant in the amount of \$1,200 for storm water management. She noted that a concern was with washing the township vehicles and that we should have something in place by February of 2009.

RECREATION: She noted that the school will not allow use of the gym until paperwork is completed. She plans to do this tomorrow.

ENVIRONMENTAL: She noted that the lawn care seminar went well and 30 composters were given out to residents who attended.

She reported that Mosquito Commission can clear some of the blockage on the Pequest but cannot get into the center. Mr. Bolzan and Mr. Petesen will meet with representatives from the Mosquito Commission in April to discuss this situation.

She also noted that Green Acres are conducting a state plan and wanted to know our total acres which include Free Union Ballfield and the Lisbon Capri property.

Steve Romanowitch DPW – He noted that Marble Hill is ready for three drains.

Reported that the DPW is ready for the Spring Clean up scheduled for April 21st and 22nd, 2007.

SURVEY OF LODGE PROPERTY: At this time Mayor Inscho asked Mr. Jarvis to speak about the perspective location for the lines, concrete monuments and pins when subdividing the Lodge. Discussion ensued with the Committee and suggestions were made.

BUDGET: Mayor Inscho stated that the Budget will be introduced on April 5, 2007. He asked suggestions on percentage of raises for employees. It was decided to give a 3.5% increase.

ORDINANCE 07-05 – AN ORDINANCE REPEALING EXISTING CHAPTER 8 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LIBERTY ENTITLED “COURT, INTERMUNICIPAL” AN ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 8 ENTITLED “COURT, JOINT MUNICIPAL”. Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Fisher – open for public discussion – no public discussion – closed for public – roll call unanimous to adopt at 2nd reading.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Bolzan with roll call unanimous to enter into executive session to discuss contractual, personnel and pending litigation matters.

REGULAR SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Bolzan with roll call unanimous to enter back into regular session at 8:40 p.m.

Mr. Lavery explained that during executive session one contractual matter, one personnel matter, one pending litigation matter was discussed but no official action taken.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Mr. Inscho, seconded by Mr. Petersen with roll call unanimous to adjourn said meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Willa L. Reilly, RMC

