

**FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

June 11, 2013

7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor JoAnne Servais called the meeting to order and read the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT statement at 7:00pm.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor JoAnne Servais led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL

All Committee Members present. Doug Burry, Esq. sat in for the Solicitor, George Saponaro, Esq.

PRESENTATIONS

NONE

OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public for agenda items only.

Pat Conahey – PO Box 61

Mr. Conahey asked what the amounts would be for Resolution #91-2013. He also suggestion the Committee make people remove their hats when saluting the flag.

Moved to Close Public portion by Committeeman Don Taylor, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes; Voted unanimously.

ORDINANCES:

NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 87-2013 A Resolution By The Members Of The Fairfield Township Committee Authorizing The Issuance Of Business License for Big Boyz Grill Master

The Committee discussed Resolution 87-2013. Deputy Mayor Thomas-Hughes asked to see the application. Committeeman Sharp asked what was being done about the other businesses who have not complied. Deputy Thomas-Hughes said she had spoken to the Code Enforcement Officer about some of those businesses and he said he would be issuing summons.

Resolution 88-2013 A Resolution By The Members Of The Fairfield Township Committee Renewing Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0605-33-003-002, Issued To Terrigno's Fairfield Inn, LLC

There was no discussion from the Committee.

Resolution 89-2013 A Resolution By The Members Of The Fairfield Township Committee Renewing Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0605-33-001-003, Issued To Milmer Corporation

Deputy Mayor Thomas-Hughes asked about approving the license even though they're trying to sell the building.

Resolution 90-2013 A Resolution By The Members Of The Fairfield Township Committee Renewing Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0605-33-002-005, Issued To Toad Fish Bar And Grill, LLC

Deputy Mayor Thomas-Hughes again asked about approving the license even though they're trying to sell.

Resolution 91-2013 A Resolution By The Members Of The Fairfield Township Committee Agreeing to Continue a Consortium with the City of Vineland, City of Millville, the City of Bridgeton, the Township of Pittsgrove and the Borough of Elmer for the Purpose of Receiving Home Entitlements Funds

The Administrator clarified this Resolution pertained to grants for repairs to residents homes.

Resolution 92-2013 A Resolution By The Members Of The Fairfield Township Committee Authorizing Monetary Gift For Valedictorian And Salutatorian Of The Fairfield Township School

The Mayor state \$50 would be given to the Salutatorian and \$100 would be given to the Valedictorian.

Motion to Adopt by Committeeman Michael K. Sharp, Seconded by Committeeman Don Taylor

Committeeman Michael Morton Y Committeeman Michael K. Sharp Y

Committeeman Don Taylor Y Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes Y Mayor JoAnne Servais Y

REPORTS

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The Committee received a written report. Doug Burry, Esq. stated there was nothing to be read into the record for the Solicitor's report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT - Bob Mulford - Fralinger Engineering

The Committee received a written report from the Engineer. Mr. Mulford went over this report. He spoke about the proposals for Clarks Pond Road, the Senior Center Ramp, and Thomas Drive. Committeeman Taylor asked where the amount of money came from in the Thomas Drive proposal. Committeeman Sharp said the Engineer's report said Thomas Drive could not be confirmed or denied as a Township Road. Deputy Mayor Thomas-Hughes read minutes from 1991 and 1992 where the Township had maintained the road.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - Leo Selb

The Administrator spoke about the money received from FEMA for Beach Ave. He stated the meeting for the Union contract was scheduled for June 24, 2013. He also talked about an ongoing complaint about the Quirk property that was resolved by the Engineer. He spoke about the Shared Services agreement with Bridgeton being for the remainder of 2013 and part of 2014. He also talked about the drainage issue at 12 Coombs Drive was being resolved. He also spoke about the Consortium and a refund from Oxford Healthcare.

NEW BUSINESS

The Mayor talked about proposed new fees for Road Opening Permits and a resolution would be needed for the next meeting. The Administrator also talked about putting a referendum on the ballot for the General Election for the LOSAP Increase.

REVIEW OF BILL LIST

The Committee reviewed Bill List submitted by the Chief Financial Officer. Deputy Mayor Thomas-Hughes asked about a bill from Bach Associates for work done in 2010. The Administrator said that bill was for the build out plan for the Master Plan.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Committee reviewed the Minutes for Work Session, Regular Action, and Executive Session Meetings for, May 14, 2013, May 21, 2013, and May 28, 2013. The Acting Clerk said since she did not have them printed at the time she would email them the minutes for April 16, 2013.

OTHER BUSINESS

Committeeman Sharp asked that Resolution 80-2013 for the Open Space Funding be put back on the Agenda for next week. Committeeman Morton asked what was the procedure for putting things that have failed back on the agenda. The Acting Clerk mentioned the Special Primary and Special General Elections set by Governor Christie due to the passing of Senator Lautenburg. She said there were conflicts with one of the Committee Meetings and a Court Session. The Committee decided to have one meeting for the month of August.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Moved to Open to the Public by Committeeman Don Taylor, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes; Voted unanimously.

Willie & Betty Brooks - 1350 Bridgeton-Millville Pike

Mr. & Mrs. Brooks asked who wrote the settlement and why their agreement was written with a gag order. The Solicitor, Mr. Burry said in was a common provision to put into settlement agreements. Mr. Brooks said the Solicitor, George Saponaro violated the gag order by making comments in the May 14 Committee Meeting and by allowing the agreement to be released through OPRA request. They said they don't have a copy of the agreement or the funds but by allowing it to be released through OPRA the whole Township has copies.

Ed Kimley - 84 Seabreeze Rd

Mr. Kimley talked about the money owed to Bach Associates for the escrow accounts.

Pat Conahey - PO Box 61

Mr. Conahey said the Fire Marshall was a good service and is very rapid to respond. He also talked about the LEPC meeting that was held at the end of May. He also suggested a moment of silence be held for lifelong resident, Clarence Custis, at the next meeting.

Russell Pierce - 376 Fairton-Gouldtown Rd

Mr. Pierce talked about grass cutting is needed on Township and County Roads within the Township.

Moved to Close Public portion by Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes, Seconded by Committeeman Don Taylor; Voted unanimously.

REMARKS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committeeman Taylor talked about a letter that went out during campaigning and the information contained in it was inaccurate. Committeeman Morton thanked the public for coming. He also talked about using technology as a way to get more information out to the public so they are not misinformed. Deputy Mayor Thomas-Hughes said Mr. Conahey's suggestion for hats to be removed during the flag salute was a good one. She also said the Committee should be focusing on improving the lives of the citizens of the Township. She also thanked the public for coming out.

REMARKS BY MAYOR

Mayor Servais stated she was happy to see that Clarks Pond Road will be getting repaired. She also congratulated the Primary Election winners. She also said campaigning should be about what you can do for the Township.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution 86-2013 A Resolution to Move adjourn into Executive Session from which the public be excluded to discuss issues involving matters as permitted by the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 relating to: Litigation, CBA Negotiations - Union Contract, Personnel, Confidential Files, Landfill /DEP

Minutes will be kept and once the matter(s) no longer require confidentially, the minutes will be made public and upon completion, the Committee will return to the Public Session and action may be taken.

Moved To Adopt by Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes, Seconded by Committeeman Don Taylor; Voted unanimously.

Out of Executive Session 9:55 pm.

Moved to close Executive Session and Return to Public Session Committeeman Michael Morton, Seconded by Committeeman Don Taylor; Voted unanimously.

Committeeman Michael Morton made a motion to hire Kathi Burno to fill in in the construction office on a temporary basis at a salary of \$24 per hour. Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes seconded the motion.

Committeeman Michael Morton Y Committeeman Michael K. Sharp Y
Committeeman Don Taylor Y Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes Y Mayor JoAnne Servais Y

Committeeman Don Taylor made a motion to accept the Engineer's proposal for the landfill. Committeeman Michael Morton seconded the motion.

Committeeman Michael Morton Y Committeeman Michael K. Sharp N
Committeeman Don Taylor Y Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes Y Mayor JoAnne Servais Y

ADJOURNMENT

Moved to Adjourn by Committeeman Michael Morton, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes; Voted unanimously.

ADJOURNED 9:58 pm.

Approved by the Township Committee at a Public Meeting held on October 15, 2013.

Vote: MM Y , MS Y , DT Y , VTH Y JS Y ; 5 - 0 - 0

Carla Smith

Carla Smith, Acting Municipal Clerk