

**FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**May 28, 2013
6:00 PM**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor JoAnne Servais called the meeting to order and read the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT statement at 6:00pm.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor JoAnne Servais led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL

All Committee Members present.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Moved to Open to the Public by Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes, Seconded by Committeeman Michael Morton, Voted Unanimously

No Comments were made from the Public.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 85-2013 A Resolution To Amend Adopted Budget (Chapter 159) Special Items Of Revenue And Appropriation - Reconstruction Of Clarks Pond Road

Moved To Adopt by Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes, Seconded by Committeeman Don Taylor

Discussion:

Committeeman Sharp asked where the funds would be appropriated. Lois Buttner, CFO, explained both resolutions. She said the Resolution to amend the Capital Budget needed to be done so that the money in the Capital budget is not depleted. Committeeman Sharp asked about the money that was originally put in the budget to match grants but was removed. Committeeman Taylor said those funds were not approved by the Mayor and Committee to be places in the budget. Committeeman Sharp said there could be problems and that wasn't taken into consideration when the budget was done. The CFO also said she didn't think the budget was done poorly and sometimes there are unforeseen problems that occur so that's why this procedure is in place. An argument between Committeeman Taylor and Committeeman Sharp occurred. The Acting Clerk said the discussion is supposed to pertain to the Resolution to amend the budget so that it includes the money for the grant. The Mayor agreed and asked for roll call.

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

Add On: Resolution 86-2013 A Resolution Amending the 2013 Capital Budget.

Moved To Adopt by Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes, Seconded by Committeeman Don Taylor

Discussion:

Committeeman Sharp stated there are serious issues coming up in the near future that will cost the Township. He said there is not enough money in the budget to survive the year and will impact the taxes next year. Committeeman Taylor said people have been complaining about the condition of Clarks Pond Road. He also said there were issues with the school buses traveling on that road and the safety of the children should be a concern. He said the road needs to be repaired. He also said Committeeman Sharp wasn't concerned about the cost of the ramp in the front of the building or the roof that wasn't needed.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Moved to Adjourn by Deputy Mayor Viola Thomas-Hughes, Seconded by Committeeman Don Taylor, Voted Unanimously

ADJOURNED 6:20pm.

Approved by the Township Committee at a Public Meeting held on June 18, 2013
Vote: MM Y, MS Y, DT Y, VTH Y, JS (E); 4-0-0

Carla Smith
Carla Smith, Acting Municipal Clerk