

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING, 430 WESTFIELD AVE., CLARK, NJ
August 4, 2014

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members Albanese, Barr, Mazzarella, O'Connor, Smith, Soyka, Toal

Also Present: Mayor Sal Bonaccorso, John Laezza, Business Administrator; Joseph Triarsi, Township Attorney; Edith L. Merkel, Township Clerk

The Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Clark was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Council President Toal. He asked all present to participate in a moment of silence, following the salute to the Flag.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG - MOMENT OF SILENCE

This meeting is in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" as adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by sending written advanced notice of at least 48 hours to the Union County Local Source, NJTODAY.NET and Star Ledger, by posting such Meeting Agenda on the Bulletin Board in Town Hall reserved for such announcements and the filing of said Notice with the Township Clerk of Clark. Formal action may be taken at this meeting.

RESOLUTION:

Resolution 14-113

WHEREAS the Township is required to hold an annual tax sale for delinquent municipal charges; and

WHEREAS in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:5-38 the Township may charge a mailing fee not to exceed Seventy Five Dollars (\$75.00).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, County of Union, New Jersey that the Tax Collector be authorized to charge a Tax Sale mailing fee not to exceed \$75.00 in accordance with State guidelines.

Moved by Councilman O'Connor, seconded by Councilwoman Albanese

Discussion:

John Laezza: Council President, Members of Council as you recall at the last workshop meeting I talked about going into an electronic tax sale which would be national any time we go up for a tax sale. It gives us the opportunity here in Clark to be able to display their properties that have not paid their taxes in the entire country, so we can get a better response so that we get our tax monies ahead of time. And you can charge seventy-five dollars mailing fee to the people that are on tax sale. We hopefully indicate that that seventy-five dollars additional fee on the tax sale will encourage people to pay their taxes on time rather than having the town be their bank. So this is the resolution that the State requires us to accommodate that purpose. And it's time sensitive, that's why we are having this special meeting, so that we can have our tax sale in mid-September.

No further discussion

Council President Toal directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Mazzarella, O'Connor, Smith, Soyka, Toal

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Each person addressing the Council shall first give his/her name and address to the Clerk. All remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a body and shall not exceed 10 minutes in duration.

Council President Toal opened the public portion of the meeting

Seeing no one coming forward Councilwoman Albanese made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Soyka

Council President Toal directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Mazzarella, O'Connor, Smith, Soyka, Toal

MAYOR, COUNCIL AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

No Mayor, Council and Professional Comments

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Albanese, seconded by Councilman Mazzarella

Council President Toal directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Mazzarella, O'Connor, Smith, Soyka, Toal

APPROVED

BRIAN P. TOAL
Council President

ATTEST:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk