

SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 6, 2009

At the special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Copake the following were present:

Supervisor Crowley, Councilwoman Gabaccia, Councilman Tompkins, Councilman Kiernan, and Councilman Sacks.

Supervisor Crowley opened the meeting at 8:45 a.m. with 11 people present.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss budget transfers and Community Rescue Squad.

Supervisor Crowley said the rescue squad is just about out of money. Met with the Supervisors of each town they cover, most of the towns did not give what they asked for in their budget. Are asking the towns to give what they could not give this year in next year on top of what will give next year. Copake it would be \$34,891 on top of what we give them next year.

Congressman Murphy's office called and they resubmitted request for new rig. The towns of Ancram, Gallatin, Hillsdale and Taghkanic agreed to give if the squad came in with a reasonable budget.

The squad is working on tax district.

The decision needs to be made today.

A discussion followed.

Supervisor Crowley said we agreed only if the other towns agreed.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gabaccia seconded by Councilman Tompkins we agree to commit to next years budget \$34,819 to the Community Rescue Squad, conditional to the towns of Hillsdale, Claverack, Taghkanic Gallatin and Ancram also fulfilling their obligation. Motion carried.

Supervisor Crowley said the mortgage tax money is down over 50%, sales tax has also fallen short. We will need to look at solving financial problems.

Councilman Gabaccia said we need to look at all options.

Superior Crowley, the accountant said we could look at anticipation note, borrowing money.

Supervisor Crowley and Highway Superintendent sat down with Accountant, went over budget -- can't find where we can transfer money.

Supervisor Crowley said revenue from court is down.

Councilman Sacks requested the Judges review -- what was their revenues and what is now.

Councilman Tompkins suggested looking into shared local municipality on insurance.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gabaccia seconded by Councilman Tompkins authorizing Supervisor Crowley to investigate tax anticipation note and all options as soon as possible. Motion carried.

Councilman Sacks request we review budget again.

John Keeler said there is a tremendous heap of soil at garage, and I think you should investigate selling it.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gabaccia seconded by Councilman Kiernan the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,