

COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING - - JUNE 4, 2014

The Council of the Township of Monroe met in the Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, for a Regular Meeting.

The Regular Meeting was Called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Gerald W. Tamburro. He asked everyone to join Tara Pietrulewicz and Ari Nair as they lead everyone in the Salute to the Flag.

UPON ROLL CALL by the Township Clerk, Sharon Doerfler, the following members of Council were present: Councilman Stephen Dalina, Councilman Michael Leibowitz, Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider, Council Vice-President Koppel and Council President Gerald W. Tamburro.

ALSO PRESENT for Council: Mayor Richard Pucci, Business Administrator Wayne R. Hamilton, Township Attorney Joel L. Shain and Engineer Mark Rasimowicz.

There were approximately one hundred forty (140) members of the Public present in the audience.

Council President Tamburro requested the Township Clerk to read the following **SUNSHINE LAW** into the record:

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, it is hereby announced and shall be entered into the Minutes of this meeting that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the following:

1. Posted on January 3, 2014 on the Bulletin Board of the Office of the Township Clerk in the Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza and remains posted at that location for public inspection;
2. Printed in the **HOME NEWS TRIBUNE** and **CRANBURY PRESS** on January 3, 2014;
3. Posted on the Bulletin Boards within the Municipal Complex;
4. Posted on the Monroe Township website; and
5. Sent to those individuals who have requested personal notice.

In accordance with Chapter 3, Section 17 of the Monroe Township Code, Public Comment shall be limited to five (5) minutes unless further time is granted by the Council President.

Council President Tamburro opened the Annual Human Relations Commission Ceremony honoring and presenting Awards to those students who have been selected by their teachers as exemplifying the 6 Pillars of Character: caring, responsibility, respect, fairness, citizenship and trustworthiness.

Council President Tamburro then turned the Program over to Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider who introduced Sergeant Lisa Robinson, Chair of the Human Relations Commission.

Sergeant Robinson thanked everyone for coming out tonight, parents, relatives and friends who have come out to support these outstanding students who have shown and exemplified the six pillars of character. She also thanked the Mayor and Council for being given the opportunity to have this Program with the Human Relations Commission members. She thanked Principals, Teachers and Parents for the continued dedication for empowering our students to become honest, respectful, responsible and caring citizens. She asked that the Award recipients continue to work on developing their good character, to become outstanding citizens and our future leaders.

Mayor Pucci thanked the Human Relations Commission for their outstanding efforts throughout the year. He also added that to the winners, this is a very special Award and one they will not forget.

Councilwoman Schneider and Council Vice-President Koppel helped Sergeant Robinson with handing out the Awards.

Oak Tree

Pre-K

Aashi Makadia
279 Morning Glory Drive
Monroe Township

Kindergarten

Giovannina Beltra
177 Federal Road
Monroe Township

First Grade

Safwan Sain
4 Sawgrass Court
Monroe Township

Second Grade

Zoey Kondas
4 Danielle Lane
Monroe Township

Third Grade

Anthony Dickinson
17 Carly Court
Monroe Township

Applegarth

Grade 4

William Peters
5 Cier Court
Monroe Township

Grade 5

Alison Ranieri
50 Inverness Court
Monroe Township

Woodland

Grade 3:

Christian Updale
1 Allison Court
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Grade 4:

Nico Beninda
20 Norwood Ave.
Monroe Township

Grade 5:

Eric Maldonado
1002 Morning Glory Dr.
Monroe Township

Mill Lake

Preschool

Christopher Tighe
6 Elena Court
Monroe Township

Kindergarten

Douglas Jorgensen
85 Tyndale Avenue
Monroe Township

First Grade

Charles Yatsko
11 Hampton Road
Monroe Township

Second Grade

Isabella Steinke
10 Norwood Ave.
Monroe Township

Brookside

Grade 3:

Dino Palella
15 Louise Lane
Monroe Township

Grade 4

Ari Nair
27 Cottonwood Ct.
Monroe Township

Grade 5

Dani Goldstein
2 Equestrian Way
Monroe Township

Barclay Brook

Grade Kdg

Cameron Miller
7 Drummond Way
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Grade 1

Wren Olma
667A Spotswood-Englishtown Road
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Grade 2

Aiden Jerscheid
124 Half Acre Road
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Middle School

6th Grade (Team Venture)

Miss Taylor Spalding
23 Laila Court
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

7th Grade (Team Inspire)

Miss Tara Pietrulewicz
8 Cheryl Lane
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

8th Grade (Team Spectrum)

Miss Simone Girgis
3 Alexander Drive
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Monroe Township High School

Grade 9

Jordan Eisenbeg
12 Tryall Blvd.
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Grade 10

Anthony Tagliaferro
57 Avenue K
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Grade 11

Brent Starling
7 Mill Road
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Grade 12

Jonathan Boccardi
35 MacFarlane Circle
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Each Council Member offered their congratulations to the Award winners.

Pictures of the Award recipients were taken with Sergeant Robinson, Council Vice-President Koppel and Councilwoman Schneider.

A 10 minute recess was taken and the Regular Meeting of Council was Recalled to Order at 7:40 p.m.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilman Dalina, the **CLAIMS** per run date of **5/22/2014** were approved for payment as presented.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
	Councilwoman Leslie Koppel	Aye
	Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
	Council Vice-President Henry L. Miller	Aye
	Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dalina and seconded Council Vice President Koppel, the **Minutes** of the **April 28, 2014** Agenda Meeting were approved as written and presented.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
	Councilwoman Leslie Koppel	Aye
	Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Abstain
	Council Vice-President Henry L. Miller	Aye
	Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

UPON MOTION made by Council Vice-President Koppel and seconded Councilwoman Schneider, the **Minutes** of the **May 5, 2014** Regular Meeting were approved as written and presented.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
	Councilwoman Leslie Koppel	Aye
	Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
	Council Vice-President Henry L. Miller	Aye
	Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Leibowitz, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second read for final passage: **ORDINANCE RELEASING, VACATING AND EXTINGUISHING ANY AND ALL PUBLIC RIGHTS IN AND TO PORTIONS OF FULTON STREET AND LIBERTY STREET.**

ORDINANCE as follows: (O-6-2014-008)

WHEREAS, application has been made By Gary Hipko, on behalf of Renaissance Properties, Inc., t/a Old Forge Land Holdings, LLC for the passage of an Ordinance vacating, releasing and extinguishing the public rights in and to certain portions of Fulton Street and Liberty Street, as shown on Tax Map Sheet No. 83.02 and as more particularly described in the Metes and Bounds Descriptions prepared by FWA Associates, P.A., a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has reviewed said application and per his letter dated April 2, 2014, attached hereto as Exhibit "B", recommends the Township move forward with the request provided it is in conformance with the plans submitted for Minor Subdivision Application PB-1144-13 and subject to the creation of an easement protecting the existing drainage improvements at the intersection of Cottonwood Court and Liberty Street; and

WHEREAS, the Monroe Township Utilities Department ("M.T.U.D.") has reviewed said application for street vacation and per letter dated January 23, 2014, attached hereto as Exhibit "C", has no objections to the granting of this vacation; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Monroe is of the opinion that the public interest will best be served by vacating and releasing the public rights in said portions of Fulton Street and Liberty Street;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public rights and interests in the portions of Fulton and Liberty Streets, as described in attached Exhibit "A", are hereby released, vacated and extinguished.
2. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-1, the following described rights of public utilities and cable television companies are hereby expressly reserved and accepted from this vacation. All rights and privileges possessed at the time of the adoption of this Ordinance by public utilities, as defined in R.S. 48:2-13, and by any cable television company, as defined in the "Cable Television Act", P.L. 1972, c. 186 (C.48:5A-1, et seq) to maintain, repair and replace their existing facilities in, adjacent to, over or under the street, highway, lane, alley, square, place or park, or any part thereof, to be vacated.
3. The Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized to draw a check in the sum of \$11.00 payable to the Middlesex County Clerk, and upon receipt of same, the Township Clerk shall thereupon file a certified copy of this Ordinance in the Office of the Middlesex County Clerk.
4. This Ordinance shall become effective twenty days after final passage and publication according to law.

Council President Tamburro opened the Public Hearing to Council and Public discussion of this Ordinance.

There was no Council or Public discussion of this Ordinance.

As Councilman Dalina and Councilman Leibowitz regularly moved and seconded the adoption, an Ordinance of which the following is the title, was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption: **ORDINANCE RELEASING, VACATING AND EXTINGUISHING ANY AND ALL PUBLIC RIGHTS IN AND TO PORTIONS OF FULTON STREET AND LIBERTY STREET.**

ROLL CALL: Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council Vice-President Leslie Koppel	Aye
Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

Copy of the Ordinance Duly Filed.
O-6-2014-008

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilman Dalina, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2011-2014 SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL SALARY AND WAGE ORDINANCE**

ROLL CALL: Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council Vice-President Leslie Koppel	Aye
Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

Copy of the Ordinance Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Council Vice-President Koppel, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "LAND DEVELOPMENT"**. (Re-zoning of Block 81, Lots 3, 4, 5.03, 7.01, 7.03 & 8 from R-30 Residential to PRC-2 Planned Retirement Community)

ROLL CALL: Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council Vice-President Leslie Koppel	Aye
Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

Copy of the Ordinance Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Schneider and seconded by Council Vice-President Koppel, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2014 WATER AND SEWER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$3,455,000 THEREFOR FROM THE WATER AND SEWER UTILITY OF THE TOWNSHIP AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,455,000 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF.**

ROLL CALL: Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council Vice-President Leslie Koppel	Aye
Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

Copy of the Ordinance Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilman Dalina, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2014 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, ALL LAWFUL AND PUBLIC PURPOSES, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP"); APPROPRIATING \$2,450,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,332,400 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF.**

ROLL CALL: Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council Vice-President Leslie Koppel	Aye
Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

Copy of the Ordinance Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Council Vice-President Koppel and seconded by Councilwoman Schneider, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER O-5-2002-017 FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL ON MAY 6, 2002 ENTITLED, "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2002 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, ALL LAWFUL AND PUBLIC PURPOSES, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP"); APPROPRIATING \$1,435,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,080,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF", AS AMENDED BY BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER O-5-2003-015 FINALLY ADOPTED ON MAY 5, 2003, BY BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER O-5-2004-022 FINALLY ADOPTED ON MAY 24, 2004, AND BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER O-7-2008-013 FINALLY ADOPTED ON JUNE 4, 2008, TO INCREASE THE TOTAL APPROPRIATION THEREIN BY \$380,000 TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED SECTION 2:20 COSTS THEREIN BY \$75,000 AND TO APPROPRIATE \$380,000 IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY GRANT MONEYS TO FINANCE THE INCREASED APPROPRIATION THEREIN.**

ROLL CALL: Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council Vice-President Leslie Koppel	Aye
Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

Copy of the Ordinance Duly Filed.

Councilman Leibowitz requested that Item #15.s. be removed from the Consent Agenda to be voted on separately.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NEW JERSEY STATE ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 2108 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1041 PROHIBITING THE TREATMENT, DISCHARGE, DISPOSAL OR STORAGE OF ANY WASTEWATER, WASTEWATER SOLIDS, SLUDGE, DRILL CUTTINGS OR OTHER BY-PRODUCTS RESULTING FROM HYDRAULIC FRACTURING FOR THE PURPOSE OF NATURAL GAS EXPLORATION OR PRODUCTION AND FURTHER AMENDED TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF SUCH WASTE ON ROADWAYS OR ITS RELEASE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Leibowitz, the following entitled Resolutions, omitting Item #15.s., were moved for adoption under the **CONSENT AGENDA**, as hereinbelow set forth:

ROLL CALL: Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council Vice-President Leslie Koppel	Aye
Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

RESOLUTIONS adopted under **CONSENT AGENDA** are as follows:

- R-6-2014-140** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT TO PREPARE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ADVERTISE FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR ADDITIONAL TREATMENT TO WELL NO. 22.
- R-6-2014-141** RESOLUTION CANCELLING TAX CREDITS AND/OR DELINQUENCIES OF LESS THAN TEN DOLLARS.
- R-6-2014-142** RESOLUTION REFUNDING TAX OVERPAYMENTS.
- R-6-2014-143** RESOLUTION REFUNDING THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENT.
- R-6-2014-144** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF RAFFLE LICENSE FEES.
- R-6-2014-145** RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-4-2014-096 REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF UPGRADED RADIO EQUIPMENT FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP EMS UNDER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.
- R-6-2014-146** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT AWARDED TO BETTINA DURMASKIN SHOLK IN CONNECTION WITH OPEN SPACE APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR BLOCK 22, LOTS 1 AND 3.
- R-6-2014-147** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL 90-DAYS OF EXTENDED SICK LEAVE.
- R-6-2014-148** RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-4-2014-109 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) VEHICLES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT UNDER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.
- R-6-2014-149** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS TO THE SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GREEN TEAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE ("GTAC").
- R-6-2014-150** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE LOAN REPAYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNER OF AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT LOCATED AT BLOCK 14.13 LOT 59 QUALIFIER C072D.
- R-6-2014-151** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE LOAN REPAYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNER OF AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT LOCATED AT BLOCK 14.10 LOT 1 QUALIFIER C062D.
- R-6-2014-152** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE POSTED BY LUCILLE DI PASQUALE FOR BLOCK 119, LOTS 11, 12 & 13.
- R-6-2014-153** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF AN APPRAISER TO ESTABLISH VALUE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT LOT 2.09, BLOCK 25 APPLGARTH ROAD AND HALF ACRE ROAD AND TO FURTHER AUTHORIZE SAID EXPENDITURES BY THE TOWNSHIP FROM A TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED BY JSM AT APPLGARTH, LLC.

- R-6-2014-154** RESOLUTION MAKING APPLICATION TO NJ TRANSIT CORPORATION FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF REPLACEMENT BUS SHELTERS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN NEW JERSEY TRANSIT CORPORATION AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE BUS SHELTERS.
- R-6-2014-155** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT WITH A STATE APPROVED CONTRACT VENDOR FOR 2014 MAINTENANCE SERVICE FOR THE CISCO TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT AT THE MONROE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT.
- R-6-2014-156** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/QPA TO PREPARE AND ADVERTISE FOR RECEIPT OF PROPOSALS FOR INDEPENDENT SUPERVISED LIVING FACILITIES.
- R-6-2014-157** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO UTILITY SERVICE AFFILIATES, INC. FOR UTILITY MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").
- R-6-2014-158** RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-12-2012-367 CONFIRMING IT'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE COST-SHARE ALLOCATED TO THE TOWNSHIP BY THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD FOR THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON "INDYK'S" FARM.
- R-6-2014-159** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FEES TO SHAIN, SCHAFFER & RAFANELLO, P.C. RELATED TO REPRESENTATION OF THE TOWNSHIP IN VARIOUS MATTERS OF EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION.
- R-6-2014-160** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES FOR THE 2014 – 2015 LICENSE TERM.
- R-6-2014-161** RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) Click It or Ticket Grant - \$4,000
- R-6-2014-162** RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) Clean Communities Grant - \$75,548.84
- R-6-2014-163** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") UPON THE POSTING OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR W & S 775 – RENAISSANCE @ MONROE, BLOCK 1, LOTS 4.02 & 4.04 (PB#773-02)
- R-6-2014-164** RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) U.S. Dept. of Justice – Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program Grant - \$6,897.60
- R-6-2014-165** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP 2014 - 2015 LANDSCAPING SERVICES. (Pleasant View Landscaping & Lawn Services, Inc.)

R-6-2014-166 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 6 SUBMITTED BY ALLIED CONSTRUCTION GROUP, INC. TO THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”) FOR CONTRACT NO. 389, WELLS 20 & 23 IRON REMOVAL SYSTEM.**

R-6-2014-167 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT.**

Copies of Resolutions Duly File.

Councilman Leibowitz explained his reason for having this Resolution pulled from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

UPON MOTION made by Council Vice President Koppel and seconded by Councilman Dalina, the following entitled Resolution was moved for adoption: **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NEW JERSEY STATE ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 2108 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1041 PROHIBITING THE TREATMENT, DISCHARGE, DISPOSAL OR STORAGE OF ANY WASTEWATER, WASTEWATER SOLIDS, SLUDGE, DRILL CUTTINGS OR OTHER BY-PRODUCTS RESULTING FROM HYDRAULIC FRACTURING FOR THE PURPOSE OF NATURAL GAS EXPLORATION OR PRODUCTION AND FURTHER AMENDED TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF SUCH WASTE ON ROADWAYS OR ITS RELEASE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT.**

ROLL CALL: Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Abstained
Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council Vice-President Leslie Koppel	Aye
Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

Copy of resolution duly filed.

R-6-2014-168 **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NEW JERSEY STATE ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 2108 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1041 PROHIBITING THE TREATMENT, DISCHARGE, DISPOSAL OR STORAGE OF ANY WASTEWATER, WASTEWATER SOLIDS, SLUDGE, DRILL CUTTINGS OR OTHER BY-PRODUCTS RESULTING FROM HYDRAULIC FRACTURING FOR THE PURPOSE OF NATURAL GAS EXPLORATION OR PRODUCTION AND FURTHER AMENDED TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF SUCH WASTE ON ROADWAYS OR ITS RELEASE INTO THE ENVIRONMENT.**

REPORTS

Mayor Pucci – No Report

Administrator Hamilton – No Report

Engineer Rasimowicz – No Report

COUNCIL:

Councilman Leibowitz – No Report

Councilman Dalina – announced that Mikey Nichols was unable to come home today as originally planned. He possibly will be coming home tomorrow.

He gave an update on the re-construction being done on Mikey's home.

He also thanked Mike Barnes and the Utility Department for working with Boy Scout Troop # 50. They went out on Saturday and painted some of the neighborhood fire hydrants.

Councilwoman Schneider – No Report

Council Vice-President Koppel – No Report

Council President Tamburro - complimented the Clerk's Office on all their work for the Primary Election.

Public:

Charles Petretti, Concordia – asked for an update on the Traffic Light on Union Valley-Half Acre Rd.

Engineer Rasimowicz explained that it is presently at the County. The County is doing a design of that intersection. There are environmental Issues on the corners which they are discussing with the DEP as well as the property takings.

Next, Mr. Petretti questioned Item #15.e. Raffle License Refund which Council President Tamburro explained was a refund of an overpayment.

He then asked about the barren trees at the Senior Center – Administrator Hamilton explained that we are presently in arbitration with the general contractor. There are many punch-list items that are still remaining. We expect to have the mediation process finished by the end of July. At that point, if settlement is reached, we can have the punch-list items addressed, which includes the tree plantings.

Mr. Petretti also mentioned that some of the trees on Centre Drive, in which the Township planted, are dead.

He next asked if there was a water increase being considered and Council President Tamburro explained that annually the rates need to be adjusted. Mike Barnes, MTUD Director, further explained that only the connection fees went up. The fees went up for everything, but, by law, we have to adjust the rates based on value and number of connections annually.

Mr. Petretti then asked about Well #22 and MTUD Director, Mike Barnes, explained that it was taken out of service and they are now putting treatment on it and it will deliver 1.7 million gallons of additional water supply.

He next questioned Item #15.q. - Receipt of proposals for independent supervised living facilities and Council President Tamburro explained that in order to preserve our Affordable Housing money, the Dept. of Community Affairs require that we place three (3) Group Homes in the Township. These homes would be for people with special needs. One home has been completed and we are now soliciting bids for two additional homes.

Hy Grossman, 15 Doral Drive – finds himself in agreement with Councilman Leibowitz on the fracking issue.

He then asked about this year's Capital Improvement Program, asking if items #12 & 13 on the Agenda will take care of this year's requirements. Administrator Hamilton confirmed that Ordinances #12 & 13 are the roll-out and funding of all capital improvements listed as part of the Capital Budget for both the Utility and the General Budget.

Mr. Grossman next questioned Item #15.h. – Extended Sick Leave which Administrator Hamilton explained.

He next questioned Item #15.r. – Professional Service Contract awarded to Utility Service Affiliates, Inc. and Administrator Hamilton explained this is the company that employs Mr. Barnes. It's a Management Contract with proper licensing and Ancillary Services that have assisted us in the running of the Utility Department.

Mr. Grossman asked the status of the cautionary signs he recommended on Spotswood-Englishtown Rd. and Route 522. Engineer Rasimowicz stated they are still pursuing this with Middlesex County and the Road Dept. They are looking to put up the advance warning signs to the driveways.

Audrey Cornish, Schoolhouse Rd. – stated that after she received the notice that Parker House was going to proceed with information from the DEP about the property next door, she requested from the DEP a copy of their findings, asking if the township is proceeding with them regarding the buffer zones before they receive their money. Engineer Rasimowicz explained that there is still a Performance Bond in place. They must meet all requirements on their site plan approval.

She then mentioned the water run-off from Heritage Chase directly onto Parker House and advised that she allowed the previous owner to put in underground drains to drain the water run-off onto her property but that she will not allow Parker House to do the same.

Engineer Rasimowicz reminded everyone that the adjacent property has no application before the Township Planning or Zoning Boards. They just have an application into the State. All the testing done on the site and the surveys are not things under review by the Township. If something comes before one of the Boards, then certainly it will be taken into account and noted.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Leibowitz, the Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 8:05pm.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
	Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
	Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
	Council Vice-President Leslie Koppel	Aye
	Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

SHARON DOERFLER, Township Clerk

GERALD W. TAMBURRO, Council President

Minutes were adopted on 7/07/2014