COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING - - MARCH 7, 2011

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 7:30 p.m. by Council President Gerald W. Tamburro with a Salute to the Flag.

UPON ROLL CALL by Township Clerk, Sharon Doerfler, the following members of Council were present: Councilwoman Leslie Koppel, Councilmen Michael Leibowitz and Irwin Nalitt, Council Vice-President Henry L. Miller and Council President Gerald W. Tamburro.

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

There were approximately forty (40) members of the Public present in the audience.

Council President Tamburro requested the following **SUNSHINE LAW** be read 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 7, 2011 on the Bulletin Board of the Office of the Township Clerk and remains posted at that location for public inspection;

2. Communicated to the **HOME NEWS TRIBUNE and CRANBURY PRESS on** January 7, 2011**;**

3. Posted on January 7, 2011 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 announced that three (3) Officers will be given the Oath of Office and then introduced Police Chief John Kraivec who introduced each of the three new Officers:

James DiGrazio
Bernard Silverstein
Ronald Brever

Police Captain Michael Lloyd gave a brief background of each new Officer and Mayor Pucci then welcomed the three new Officers and administered the Oaths of Office.

Each Council member welcomed the three new Officers to the Township.

Council President Tamburro called a five minute recess and the meeting was re-convened at 7:50 pm.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, the **CLAIMS** per run date **2/24/11 (M.T.U.D.** and **TWP)** were approved for payment as presented.

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

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Koppel and seconded by Councilman Leibowitz, the **MINUTES** of the **November 10, 2010 Regular Meeting** were approved as written and presented.

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

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second reading for final passage: **AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED, "FEES".**

ORDINANCE as follows: (O-11-2010-005)

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Chapter 39 of the Code of the Township of Monroe is hereby amended as follows**:**

SECTION 1.

' 39-1. Title.

' 39-2. Purpose.

' 39-3. Fees enumerated.

' 39-4. Board of Education exemption.

' 39-1. Title

This chapter shall be known as the "Codification of Fees and Costs of the Township of Monroe@

' 39-2. Purpose

This chapter is adopted in order to advise the citizens of the township, and any and all persons doing business with the township, of the various fees charged for services rendered by the departments of township government and to provide ready access to any and all such information.

' 39-3. Fees enumerated.

A. General Fees.

(3) Division of Revenue Collection**.**

(d) **shall provide The Tax Collector shall provide to any party entitled to redeem a tax sale certificate, with the calculation of said certificate, the amount required for redemption two times within a calendar year at no cost. For each subsequent calculation, for the same certificate requested, the Tax Collector shall charge a fee of $50.00. A request for a redemption calculation shall be made in writing to the Tax Collector.**

(5) Division of Ambulance Service.

(b) Ambulance third-party billing fees.

Transport	Mileage
[$500.00] **$600.00**	[$7.50/mile] **$12.00/mile**

B. Licenses and permits from Township Clerk's Office.

(11) Chapter 105, Streets and Sidewalks

(a) Application fee for street excavations/road opening: [fifteen $15] **twenty five dollars ($25.)**.

A deposit may be required of the applicant to establish an inspection escrow account. This shall cover costs associated with the required review of the application by the Township Engineer or such other professionals as the Township Council may reasonably require. Fees will be determined by the Township Engineer at a **rate of 8% of the total Bond/Guarantee with a** minimum of one hundred dollars ($100).

(1) Paved Area Openings:

(a) Seventy-five dollars ($75) per square yard; three hundred seventy-five dollars ($375) minimum.

(2) [Shoulder Openings] **Shoulder/Lawn Openings**:

(a) Eight dollars ($8) per square yard, one hundred dollars ($100) minimum.

(3) LawnAreaOpenings]**Sidewalk/ApronReplacement/Install -ation:**

(a) [Five dollars and fifty cents ($5.50) per square yard or portion, minimum one hundred dollars ($100.) **Fifty dollars ($50) per square yard; minimum two hundred dollars ($200).**

(4) Curb Replacement/**Installation**:

(a) Eighteen dollars ($18.) per linear foot [or portion], minimum one hundred dollars ($100.).

C. Construction fees

I. ADMINISTRATIVE AND CERTIFICATE FEE.SCHEDULE.

L. Hourly charges and fees for development-wide inspection of homes after issuance of a certificate of occupancy shall be in such amount as may be reasonable and necessary in order to ascertain whether a violation exists or to verify that any work performed has abated the violation.

The hourly charge shall be $57.00 per hour times the number of hours spent by the code official in determining whether a violation exists or verifying that any work performed has abated the violation.

II. BUILDING SUBCODE FEE SCHEDULE

A. New Buildings Additions; based on cubic volume.

Schedule 1	**.035**
Schedule 2	**.035**
Schedule 3	**.035**

B. Alterations, Renovation or Repair work; est. cost of work per $1,000. Or portion thereof

Schedule 1	First [$10,000.]**$40,000**.@ $18.
Schedule 2	First [$10,000.]**$40,000**.@ $20
Schedule 3	First [$10,000.]**$40,000**.@ $20

L.	**Tank Removal or Abandonment**	
	Schedule 1	**$ 50.**
	Schedule 2	**$100.**
	Schedule 3	**$100.**

III. ADMINISTRATIVE AND CERTIFICATE FEE SCHEDULE

F. SOLAR INSTALLATIONS

	Based On	
Inverter	**1 kw up to 4 kw**	**$ 45.**
	5 kw up to 50kw	**$ 85.**
Sub panels and Disconnects		
	up to 199 Amperes	**$ 60.**
	200 to 399 Amperes	**$ 85.**
	Over 400 Amperes	**$350.**

IV. ELEVATOR SUBCODE FEE SCHEDULE

== REMOVE ENTIRE SCHEDULE OF FEES ==
IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE STATUTE NJAC 5:23.12

J. Monroe Township Utility Department fees and charges**.**

RATE SCHEDULE

PART 1 – SEWER SERVICE

SECTION A – DEFINITIONS

A "UNIT" shall be defined as follows:

1. Residential:

   (a) Each single family dwelling.
   (b) Each single family apartment dwelling in a multiple family structure or structures.

2. For users other than residential:, including each tenant in a non-residential building, an Equivalent Dwelling Unit of sewage flow shall be deemed to equal 141 gallons per day of sewage flow. Example: 141 gal/day x 360 days = 50,760 gal/year = one unit.

   Customer – shall be the owner of the property. For existing multi-family or non-residential customers with multiple meters the MUA will continue as a courtesy to send the bills to the Tenant with a copy to the Owner. The Owner is responsible for payment of the bills. If the bill(s) are unpaid a lien will be placed on the property.

   BOD shall mean the capacity of oxygen utilized in the biochemical oxidation of organic matter under standard laboratory procedure in five days at 20 degrees Centigrade.

   Suspended Solids shall mean solids that either float on the surface or are in suspension in water, sewage, or other liquids and those which are removable by laboratory filtration.

   Chlorine Demand is the difference between the amount of chlorine applied to a treated supply and the amount of free combined or total available chlorine remaining at the end of the contract period.

   GREASE: Grease is defined to include the accumulation of oils, fats, cellulose, starch, proteins, wax, or grease, whether emulsified or not, in the Sewer System of the Authority. These are substances which may solidify or become viscous at temperatures between thirty-two (32) degrees Fahrenheit and one hundred-fifty (150 Fahrenheit) (0 degrees – 65 degrees Celsius).

GREASE GENERATING ESTABLISHMENTS: Grease generating establishments, shall mean all retail food establishments, catering establishments, commercial food preparation facilities, meat processing facilities, and other establishments that may be capable of accumulating and discharging grease into the Sewer System.

OWNER: Owner shall mean individual, person, firm, company, association, society, corporation, or group upon whose property the building or structure is located or will be constructed. In the event that one entity owns the building while another entity owns the property then the Owner is the latter of the two.

SECTION B – ANNUAL SERVICE CHARGES

Classification — Minimum Annual Service Charge

1. Residential (as defined in Section A (1) above). $259.00per unit
2. All users other than residential:

(a) For the first unit or portion thereof, a minimum annual service charge of $259.00.
(b) For those users whose quarterly sewage flow exceeds 12,690 gallons based on metered water consumption or actual sewage flow the rate shall be as follows:

Quarterly usage (#of Gallons)		**Rates**
From:	**To:**	
0	**12,690 gallons** per qtr.	$64.75 per quarter
12,690 gallons per qtr.	And over	$64.75 plus $5.68 per 1,000 gallons

© All water consumption readings shall be those obtained by the Authority from its own billing records where the Authority is supplying the water, or from the water company furnishing water to the respective units. If a customer obtains its water supply from a private well or an un-metered public water supply, then the user shall install a meter, location of which is to be approved by the Authority. In the event the user fails to install said meter after receiving notice from the Authority, then such installation shall be made by the Authority. In either case, the costs of the meter and the installation thereof shall be borne by the user. The meter shall be of the type approved by the Authority and may be purchased from the Authority. Prices of meters will be furnished upon request to the Authority.

(d) In the event that estimated usage should prove to be inaccurate, the Authority reserves the right to recalculate prior Annual Service Charges with the difference charged to or credited to the user.

(e) In the event a customer claims a substantial water use, the waste product of which does not pass into the sewer system, the customer shall have an option of specifically metering the waste usage which does not flow into the sewer system and the water so used shall be deducted from the total water usage in computing annual water consumption. All customers shall have the option of installing a sewer meter at the customer's cost and expense and in the event of such an installation, the readings on said sewer meter shall be substituted for the annual water consumption as set forth in subsection (b) hereof.

(f) An industrial cost recovery surcharge shall be collected by the Authority for those users whose sewage characteristics exceed one or more of the following standards:

1. Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) greater than 200 parts per million (PPM).
2. Suspended solids greater than 250 PPM.
3. Chlorine demand in excess of 15 PPM.

For such users the industrial cost recovery surcharge shall be based on the Schedule of Rates charged by Middlesex County Utilities Authority plus a twenty-five percent administrative fee.

Where the industrial cost recovery surcharge is charged to another municipality, the charge shall be based on the Schedule of Rates charged by Middlesex County Utilities Authority plus a ten percent administrative fee.

The characteristics of the sewage waste shall be determined from actual samplings or other approved means, and shall be based upon analysis made in accordance with the procedure outlined in the latest edition of "Standard Methods of Analysis of Water and Sewage" published by the American Public Health Association. The Authority may require the installation of automatic samplers at the cost of the owner to obtain representative samples during a calendar quarter, or as may be required. The cost of sampling and analysis will be borne by the customer.

(g) Control of Grease. No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged into the Sewer System, any water or waste containing more than one hundred (100) PPM by weight of fats, oils or grease.

In the event it is determined that blockage of an Authority sewer main is a result of the discharge from any grease generating establishment, all costs incurred by the Authority will be charged to the Owner of said grease generating establishment. Such costs can include but are not limited to, cost of clearing the blockage; damages to sewer lines; administrative, legal, and engineering costs; cleanup of pollution to surrounding soils or water; and reimbursement of any penalties imposed by regulatory agencies.

In addition to such other remedies as may be provided by law for violation of these regulations, the Authority may add such bacteria formulations to the Sewer System servicing grease generating establishments regulated herein. The Authority may charge the cost thereof as an additional sewer use charge to the Owner who is in violation of any provision of this regulation.

In the event of any violation of this regulation or of any improper unauthorized use of any portion of the sewer system by any owner, then the Owner shall in the discretion of the Executive Director be penalized a maximum of One Hundred and 00/100 ($100.00) Dollars for each violation or improper unauthorized use. Each Day in which a violation or improper unauthorized use occurs, shall be deemed a separate offense. For purposes of this regulation, two (2) test readings showing more than 100 parts per million by weight of fats, oils or grease within a calendar month shall be deemed to be presumptive evidence of a violation occurring in each day of that calendar month.

All penalties are due and payable within thirty (30) days from the date that the Owner is notified in writing of the violations charged and the penalty to be imposed. In the event the penalty is not paid as required under these rules, then the Authority in its discretion may take all actions available to it for the non-payment of sewer charges as provided in N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq. For purposes of these regulations, the Owner shall be responsible for the actions of any tenant using the sewer system.

The penalties imposed in this section shall be cumulative to other remedies afforded to the Authority by statute.

SECTION C – PAYMENT OF ANNUAL SERVICE CHARGES

1. All sewer service charges are payable quarterly in advance.

2. All charges shall be payable on or before the due date of the bill. Any charges which are not paid by the due date will be charged a penalty of (1%) per month or fraction of a month, back to the billing date. Any partial payment of a bill will be applied first to interest charges, then to the oldest service charges.

3. Any non residential account which remains unpaid after the due date will be sent a reminder. If a non-residential-account is still unpaid at sixty (60) days after the date due, a notice will be sent giving fifteen (15) days to make payment or services will be discontinued. If payment is not received within fifteen (15) days service will be shut off.

SECTION D – CONNECTION FEES AND CHARGES

1. The initial fees for the right to connect directly or indirectly to the Authority's sewer system shall include a connection charge or fee per unit, as well as fees for applications, review, and inspection of work to be accomplished by the applicant in keeping with the Authority's "Rules and Regulations Governing Applications to the Monroe Township MUA for Construction of Comprehensive Sewer Systems in the Township of Monroe." These connection fees, which are one-time initial service charges for the right to connect to the Authority's sewer system, are calculated in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:14B-22 and are an integral part of this Rate Schedule.

2. The connection fee for each unit shall be **$2,813**. Connection fees for single family homes not part of a real estate development are payable at the option of the applicant in two installments with the initial installment paid prior to the time of the connection and the second payment due within one year. Interest shall accrue and be due to the Authority at 1% per month on the unpaid balance. In the case where the system is under construction but not yet available for connection, connection fees can be paid at the option of the applicant in two (2) installments without interest.

   In the case of real estate developers, the connection fees for any development of ten (10) or less units shall be payable at the time of final approval.

   In any development of more than ten (10) but less than forty (40) units, connection fees for twenty-five percent (25%) of the units shall be payable at the time of the final approval with the balance of connection fees payable in advance of building permit.

   In any development of more than forty (40) units, connection fees for the first ten (10) units shall be payable at the time of final approval with the balance of connection fees payable in groups of ten (10) units at a time in advance of the building permit.

3. For a user other than residential with estimated sewage flows in excess of 141 gallons per day the connection fee shall be based on the number of units as defined in Section A (2) above. Fractional number of units shall be calculated to the next highest unit.

4. Where a connection to the sewer system is to be made after construction of mains has been completed and sewer service is available to the user, then in addition to the connection fee, the applicant shall pay for the cost of construction and inspection from the main to the curb, such construction to be performed by an approved contractor and inspection by the MUA.

5. No connection to the Authority's sewer system shall be made until compliance with the requirements set forth in this Section have been met, and no excavation shall be back-filled until inspection has been completed by the duly designated representative of the Authority.

SECTION E – FILING, REVIEW AND INSPECTION FEES

1. Where mains are to be constructed by anyone other than the Authority, the applicant shall make application and pay fees for the time of Authority personnel on an hourly basis to draw down against the deposit as listed blow:

   a) Application for Review of Preliminary Plans:
      Minor Subdivision Fee ……. $ 250.00

      Major Subdivision or Major Site Plan-Deposit ……. $ 450.00 minimum
      or $ 7.25 per unit whichever is greater.

b) Application for Tentative Approval:

Review Fee – Deposit ……

1-1/2 % of estimated construction cost or $450 minimum.

c) Application for Final Approval:
Review Fee – Deposit ……

1-1/2 % of estimated construction cost

d) Inspection Fee – Deposit ……

5% of estimated construction cost

e) Application for extensions of approval must be accompanied by a review fee deposit of $290.00. Application for revisions after submittal and initial review must be accompanied by a review fee deposit of $450.00.

f) Request for USEPA grant waiver or mapping revision must be made by the Owner of the property. A $363.30 processing fee made payable to MTMUA must accompany the request.

If the deposit is depleted before completion of review or inspection, the applicant shall deposit an additional amount to complete the review or inspection as estimated by the Authority Engineer within five (5) days of notification or all review and inspection will cease at the end of five (5) days after notification.

Any review fees for Preliminary Minor Applications is a flat fee and no portion will be returned to the applicant upon approval by the Utility Department.

Minor applications include any residential application which does not require extension of water and or sewer facilities (including service connection in the street) and which will not connect more than three houses to the water/sewer system. All commercial/industrial applications are major applications; however, the Utility Department may charge the lower minor review fee to tenants in newly approved commercial buildings for individual tenant fit out.

Any deposit monies other than review fees for Preliminary Minor Application not used will be returned to the applicant upon request after the project is completed. The Authority will retain sufficient funds to conduct an inspection at the end of the maintenance period.

The amount charged by the Authority for review and/or inspection shall be calculated by the Authority on an annual basis after the adoption of the Authority's budget for the coming fiscal year, and shall be based on the hourly salary cost to the Authority plus the cost of fringe benefits payable to said individual and the cost of the overhead of the Authority allocable to that employee.

2. All persons wishing to connect to the sewer system are required to make application for connection under the terms of the preceding paragraph and pay the required fees as outlined in that paragraph.

2A. Each time there is a change in the owner or tenant of a non-residential unit, the owner shall file an application for approval.

SECTION F – RATES CHARGED TO CUSTOMERS SERVICED BY OTHER ENTITIES

Rates charged to customers who are serviced by other entities through contract between the Monroe Township Municipal Utilities Authority and that entity shall be at that rate which is set forth in the contract with the entity, plus a twenty-five percent administrative cost unless prohibited by the contract with the other entity.

SECTION G- RESERVATION, RIGHT TO MODIFY

The Township of Monroe reserve the rights to modify or change any of the foregoing rules or make such addition, by rules and regulation, as maybe found essential in the protection of the public interests and the management of the Department and to impose such additional restrictions as may be deemed necessary.

If any of the above regulations is declared or held to be unconstitutional or legally inoperative, no other portion of this regulation shall be affected, but the unconstitutional or inoperative provision shall be rescinded and remaining provisions of this regulation shall remain in effect.

PART II – WATER SERVICE

SECTION A – DEFINITIONS:

A. "UNIT" shall be defined as follows:

1. Residential
   a) Each single family dwelling
   b) Each single family apartment dwelling in a multiple family structure or structures.

2. Other than Residential: includes each tenant in a non-residential building, One Equivalent Dwelling Unit of potable water shall equal **211 gallons per day** of estimated water consumption or fraction thereof. In a building with more than one tenant or occupant, each separate tenant or occupant shall be calculated separately. Example: 211 gal/day x 360 days =75,960 gal/year = one unit.

3. IRRIGATION: One equivalent unit of water used for irrigation shall equal **937 gallons per day** of water consumed or fraction thereof. Connection fees set forth in Section I shall be applicable.

SECTION B – FIXED SERVICE CHARGES FOR WATER

1. All metered general water service users shall pay a fixed service charge based on the size of each connection installed, in addition to the charges for the quantity of water used, if any.

	Size of Connection	Fixed Service Charge per Quarter
(A)	Residential:	
	5/8” or ¾”	$13.28
	1”	$26.55
	Multiple Dwelling	$13.28 per unit
(B)	Residential without electronic radio transmitter:	
	5/8” or ¾”	
	1”	$38.28
	Multiple Dwelling	$45.55
		$38.28 per unit
(C)	Commercial	
	5/8: or ¾”	$13.28
	1”	$26.55
	1 –1/2”	$39.80
	2”	$55.78
	3”	$94.84
	4”	$132.76
	6” and Over	$185.86

SECTION C – RATES FOR WATER CONSUMED

1. In addition to the fixed service charge set forth above, a charge will be made for all water used as registered by the meter.

	Gallons per Quarter	Rater per 1,000 Gallons
For the first	10,000	$1.45
For the next	25,000	$2.47
For all over	35,000	$2.76

SECTION D

1. IRRIGATION CHARGES-POTABLE WATER

Customers with a separate meter for irrigation connected to a potable water distribution main shall pay a fixed service charge based on the size of each connection installed, in addition to the charges for the quantity of water used, if any.

	Size of Connection	Fixed Service Charge per Quarter
	¾”	$13.28
	1”	$26.55
	1 –1/2”	$39.80
	2”	$55.78
	3”	$94.84
	4”	$132.76
	6” and Over	$185.86

RATES FOR WATER USED

In addition to the fixed service charge set forth above, a charge will be made for all water used as registered by the meter.

	Gallons per Quarter	Rater per 1,000 Gallons
For the first	10,000	$1.45
For the next	25,000	$2.47
For all over	35,000	$2.76

2. IRRIGATION CHARGES-NON POTABLE WATER MAIN

a. Residential customers with a separate meter for irrigation, connected to a non-potable water main charges will be based only on the amount of water actually used. No fixed service charge and no connection fee. A rate of $2.00 per 1,000 gallons will apply.

b. Commercial customers with a separate meter for irrigation connected to a non-potable distribution main, charges will be based only on the amount of water actually used. No minimum service charge and no connection fee. A rate of $2.73 per 1,000 gallons will apply.

In the event that any water meter shall become damaged or otherwise inoperable during any billing period, the bill for that billing period shall be based on an estimated use of water.

SECTION E – PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

1. Annual stand-by water charges for sprinkler systems.

Size of Connection Inches	Annual Charge
Non-residential 2" or smaller*	$168.56
3"	$252.84
4"	$337.12
6"	$673.84
8"	$1,348.48
10"	$2,022.72
12"	$2,675.00

Additional charge for each sprinkler head is $1.00

*non-residential only; there will be no stand-by charge for residential fire connections 2" and smaller

2. The annual charge for each hydrant and/or Siamese connection shall be $275.00

3. No charge shall be made for water used in the extinguishing of fires. Water for any other purpose shall not be drawn from a private fire service connection.

4. Fire protection shall be provided by separate connection to the Authority's mains.

SECTION F – PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

1. The annual charge for each hydrant shall be $275.00

2. No charge shall be made for water used in the extinguishing of fires.

SECTION G – MISCELLANEOUS

1. **Turn on and turn off fees**
   A charge of $35.00 shall be made for each turn-off or turn-on during regular working hours. Any turn-on or turn-of required outside regular working hours shall be charged at $50.00 each unless both turn-on and turn-off are scheduled two days in advance no more than one hour apart. A minimum notice of seven (7) days for each turn-off and/or turn-on must be given to the Authority. Under no circumstances shall any person not authorized by the Authority open or close the curb stops or valves in any Authority water line.

2. **Temporary Meters**
   The Authority reserves the right to install temporary meters during construction of any residential or commercial structure. The fee for installation of temporary meters shall be $100.00.

3. **Wet tap fees**
   Where the user requires connection to the water system after construction of mains has been completed and water service is available to the user, then in addition to the connection fee, the applicant shall pay for the cost of construction from the main to the curb, such construction to be performed by the Authority and/or an approved contractor. These costs shall be as follows:

   When the tap is on the same side of the road as the service:

¾"	$1,494.35
1"	$1,646,50
1-1/2"	$2,637.32
2"	$3,089.05

When the tap is on the opposite side of the road from the service:

¾”	$1,743.35
1”	$1,941.00
1-1/2”	$2,952.82
2”	$3,623.55

The above fees are based on a 4 hours timeframe. If project goes over 4 hours then hourly rate of $223.00 is applied. These fees includes meter pit and installation costs.

It is the applicant’s responsibility to secure necessary road opening permit, to excavate, backfill and restore the excavated area according to MTMUA Rules and Regulations.

4. Hydrant Meter Rental

The use of water for building purposes, irrigation, or other construction, shall be metered at a hydrant to be determined by the Authority. At the time of application, the user shall pay submit a deposit for the meter as follows:

¾” Meter	$363.28
3”	$871.86

In addition, there shall be a rental charge for the hydrant meter of $43.60 per month or part thereof, payable monthly in advance. Each meter holder, by the 5th day of each month shall return the meter to the Authority for them to read. If the meter holder fails to provide a meter by the date specified then the meter will be confiscated and the deposit will be forfeited. The charge for water usage will be made on the basis of Section C hereof. The application for such water services shall be made by the owner of the property on which said water is to be used. The Authority shall have its statutory lien on such property for the collection of said charges.

5. Tampering, Illegal Connections & Theft of Services

In any case, where a water meter of the Monroe Township Municipal Utilities Authority has been adjusted, damaged, or tampered with, the customer on whose premises said meter is located shall be charged a cost recovery charge of $130.72, which shall be billed as part of his regular billing on the next regular billing date after said adjusting, tampering or damage shall have been discovered. Any person found tampering or unauthorized use of water by way of using of fitting known as “Jumper”, “Spacer” or “Spreader” shall be billed a recovery charge plus water usage charge to be determined by the Authority.

6. **Meter, Removal, Testing & Certification charges**

If at the request of the customer, a meter is removed and bench tested and it is found to be accurate then the customer shall pay the cost of such testing as stated below. A deposit equal to test fee is required before any testing can be done. If the meter meets the utilities’ standards, the deposit is used to cover the cost of testing. No charge if meter tests outside these standards, the deposit is returned to the customer.

Size of Meter	Test Fee
5/8 to 1 inch	$150.00
1 ½	$250.00
2” and up	$350.00

7. When the Authority performs a bacteriological test on new water lines, there shall be a fee of $100.00 per test, payable in advance.

8. Winterization Fees

The work should be done by a licensed plumber bonded with the MUA. It is the responsibility of the customer/homeowner to protect the meter from freezing during cold and freezing weather. Fees for repairs due to damage resulting from freezing meters are the responsibility of the customer/homeowner. There will be a non refundable fee as follows:

Size (inches)	Fee
Up to 1	$10.00

9. Returned Check Fee $20.00

10. Access to the premises.

Upon presentation of badge or credentials, the authorized MUA employee shall be granted access to the meter at reasonable hours of the day to inspect the meter and perform other duties as may deem necessary. Any person, who may obstruct or oppose the Authority in making such inspection or other work relative to the water service, shall bear the cost of having a meter pit installed. If the cost of the installation remains unpaid, the Authority shall have its statutory lien on the property for the collection of said charges.

SECTION H – PAYMENT

1. All water fixed service charges are payable quarterly in advance and water usage charges shall be billed in the next quarter.

2. All charges shall be payable on or before the due date of the bill. Any charges which are not paid by the due date will be charged a penalty of one percent (1%) per month or fraction of a month, back to the billing date. Any partial payment of a bill will be applied first to interest charges, then to the oldest service charges.

3. Any non-residential account which remains unpaid after the due date will be sent a reminder; if the account is still unpaid at sixty (60) days after the due date, a notice will be sent giving fifteen (15) days to make payment or services will be discontinued. If payment is not received within fifteen (15) days water service will be discontinued.

SECTION I – CONNECTION FEES AND CHARGES

1. The initial fees for the right to connect directly or indirectly to the Authority's water system shall include a connection charge or fee as well as fees for application review and inspection of work to be accomplished by the applicant in keeping with the requirements of the Authority's Rules and Regulations. These connection fees, which are one-time initial service charges for the right to connect to the Authority's water system, are calculated in accordance with NJSA 40:14B-22 and are an integral part of this Rate Schedule.
2. The potable water connection fee for each unit shall be **$3,226** and the irrigation connection fee shall be $0.00. Connection fees for single family homes not part of a real estate development are payable at the option of the applicant in two (2) installments with the initial installation paid prior to the time of the connection and the second payment due within one year. Interest shall accrue and be due to the Authority at 1% per month on the unpaid balance. In case the system is under construction but not yet available for connection, connection fees can be paid at the option of the applicant in two (2) installments without interest. In the case of real estate developers, the connection fees for the development shall be payable at the time of final approval.

In any development of more than ten (10) units but less than forty (40) units, connection fees for twenty five percent (25%) of the units shall be payable at the time of final approval with the balance of connection fees payable in advance of the building permit.

In any development of more then forty (40) units, connection fees for the first ten (10) units shall be payable at the time of final approval with the balance of connection fees payable in groups of ten (10) units at a time in advance of the building permit.

3. For a user other than residential with estimated potable water consumption in excess of **211** gallons per day and/or **937** gallons per day for irrigation, then the connection fee shall be based on the number of units as defined in Section A (2) above. Fractional number of units shall be calculated to the next highest unit.

4. The Authority reserves the right to examine plans for all connections and to specify the connection size required. The gallonage used to determine the size of the connection shall be based on estimated annual water consumption as calculated by the applicant's engineer and approved by the Authority Engineer.

5. Where a connection to the water system is to be made after construction of mains has been completed and water service is available to the user, then in addition to the connection fee, the applicant shall pay for the cost of construction and inspection from the main to the curb, such construction to be performed by an approved contractor and inspection by the MUA

6. No connection into the Authority's water system shall be made until compliance with the requirements set forth in this Section have been met, and no excavation shall be back-filled until inspection has been completed by the duly designated representative of the Authority.

SECTION J – FILING, REVIEW, AND INSPECTION FEES

Where mains are to be constructed by anyone other than the Authority, the application shall make application and pay fees for the time of Authority personnel on an hourly basis down against the deposit as listed below:

a) Application for Review of Preliminary Plans:
Minor Subdivision Fee ……. $250.00

Major Subdivision or Major Site Plan-Deposit ……. $ 450.00 minimum

or $ 7.25 per unit whichever is greater.

b) Application for Tentative Approval:
Review Fee – Deposit ……

1-1/2 % of estimated construction cost or $450 minimum.

c) Application for Final Approval:
Review Fee – Deposit ……

1-1/2 % of estimated construction cost

Inspection Fee – Deposit ……

5% of estimated construction cost

Applications for extensions of approval must be accompanied by a review fee deposit of $290.00. Application for revisions after submittal and initial review must be accompanied by a review fee deposit of $450.00.

If the deposit is depleted before completion of review or inspection, the applicant shall deposit an additional amount to complete the review or inspection as estimated by the Authority Engineer within five (5) days of notification or all review and inspection will cease at the end of the allotted five (5) days.

Any review fees for Preliminary Minor Applications is a flat fee and no portion will be returned to the applicant upon approval by the Utility Department.

Minor applications include any residential application which does not require extension of water and or sewer facilities (including service connection in the street) and which will not connect more than three houses to the water/sewer system. All commercial/industrial applications are major applications; however, the Utility Department may charge the lower minor review fee to tenants in newly approved commercial buildings for individual tenant fit out.

Any deposit monies other than review fees for Preliminary Minor Application not used will be returned to the applicant upon request after the project is completed. The Authority will retain sufficient funds to conduct an inspection at the end of the maintenance period.

The amount charged by the Authority for review and/or inspection shall be calculated by the Authority's Auditor on an annual basis after the adoption of the Authority's budget for the upcoming fiscal year, and shall be based on the hourly salary cost to the Authority plus the cost of fringe benefits payable to said individual and the cost of the overhead of the Authority allocable to that employee.

SECTION K – RATES CHARGED TO CUSTOMERS SERVICED BY OTHER ENTITIES

Rates charged to customers who are serviced by other entities through contract between the Monroe Township Municipal Utilities Authority and that entity shall be at that rate which is set forth in the contract with the entity, plus a twenty-five percent administrative cost.

SECTION L - RESERVATION, RIGHT TO MODIFY

The Township of Monroe reserve the rights to modify or change any of the foregoing rules or make such addition, by rules and regulation, as maybe found essential in the protection of the public interests and the management of the Department and to impose such additional restrictions as may be deemed necessary.

If any of the above regulations is declared or held to be unconstitutional or legally inoperative, no other portion of this regulation shall be affected, but the unconstitutional or inoperative provision shall be rescinded and remaining provisions of this regulation shall remain in effect.

SECTION 2. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after passage, adoption and publication according to law.

SO ORDAINED, as aforesaid.

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 Nalitt and Councilwoman Koppel regularly moved and seconded the adoption, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption: **AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED, "FEES".**

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.
O-3-2011-005

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN ACCESS EASEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN DTAK MONROE, LLC AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE REGARDING THE COMMUTER PARKING LOT ON APPLEGARTH ROAD.**

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO ENTER INTO A DRAINAGE EASEMENT AND AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN ENCORE MONROE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC. AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE REGARDING PERPETUAL, NON-EXCLUSIVE DRAINAGE EASEMENT RIGHTS TO A DETENTION BASIN ON BLOCK 42, LOT 25.**

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK.**

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

Council President Tamburro announced that Nominations are in order for the position of Class III Council Member on the Planning Board.

Council Vice-President Miller nominated Councilwoman Koppel, seconded by Councilman Nalitt.

Council President Tamburro asked if there were any further Nominations, there being none, he requested a Motion to close Nominations.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Council Vice-President Miller, nominations for the position of Class III Council Member on the Planning Board were closed.

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

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Council Vice-President Miller, a Resolution of which the following is the title was moved for adoption: **RESOLUTION APPOINTING CLASS III COUNCIL MEMBER TO THE MONROE TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD.**

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

RESOLUTION as follows: (R-3-2011-054)

R-3-2011-054 **RESOLUTION APPOINTING CLASS III COUNCIL MEMBER TO THE MONROE TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD.**

Copy of Resolution Duly Filed.

Council President Tamburro announced that Nominations are in order for the position of Regular Member on the Zoning Board of Adjustment to fill the unexpired term of Dan Mann.

Councilman Nalitt nominated Ken Stoller, seconded by Councilman Leibowitz.

Council President Tamburro asked if there were any further nominations, there being none, he requested a Motion to close Nominations.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, nominations for the position of Regular Member on the Zoning Board of Adjustment were closed.

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

Council President Tamburro announced that Nominations are in order for the position of Regular Member on the Zoning Board of Adjustment to fill an expired (4) year term.

Councilwoman Koppel nominated Marino Lupo, seconded by Council Vice-President Miller.

Council President Tamburro asked if there were any further nominations, there being none, he requested a Motion to close nominations.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, nominations for the position of Regular Member on the Zoning Board of Adjustment were closed.

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

Council President Tamburro requested a Motion and Second to move Joseph Gurney from the Alternate 3 position to Alternate 2; Betty Schneider from Alternate 4 to Alternate 3, creating a Vacancy in the Alternate 4 position.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilman Nalitt, Joseph Gurney was moved from Alternate 3 to Alt. 2; Betty Schneider from Alternate 4 to Alternate 3, creating a Vacancy in the Alternate 4 position.

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

Council President Tamburro announced that Nominations are in order for the position of Alternate 4 Member on the Zoning Board of Adjustment to fill an unexpired (2) year term, ending December 31, 2011.

Council Vice-President Miller nominated Len Zivin, seconded by Councilman Nalitt.

Council President Tamburro asked if there were any further nominations, there being none, he requested a Motion to close nominations.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, nominations for the position of Alternate 4 Member on the Zoning Board of Adjustment were closed.

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

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Council Vice-President Miller, a Resolution of which the following is the title was moved for adoption: **RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.**

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

RESOLUTION as follows: (R-3-2011-055)

R-3-2011-055 RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE ZONING BOARD OF BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

Copy of Resolution Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, the following Resolutions were moved for adoption under the **CONSENT AGENDA**, as hereinbelow set forth:

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

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

R-3-2011-056 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION TO THE CALCULATION RATE USED FOR THE RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTED TAXES.**

R-3-2011-057 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY 2011 TEMPORARY BUDGET AMENDMENT.**

R-3-2011-058 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET APPROPRIATION RESERVE TRANSFERS.**

R-3-2011-059 **RESOLUTION INTRODUCING THE 2011 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.**

R-3-2011-060 **RESOLUTION PROVIDING THAT THE 2011 MUNICIPAL BUDGET BE READ BY TITLE AT THE TIME OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.**

R-3-2011-061 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES POSTED FOR ALOVATS INDUSTRIAL CAMPUS (ON SITE CONNECTION ROAD).**

R-3-2011-062 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF PERFOMANCE GUARANTEES POSTED FOR STONEBRIDGE, PHASE I, SECTION 4A.**

R-3-2011-063 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2008 ASSESSED ON BLOCK 109.38, LOT 29.32 AND TO REMOVE SAID BLOCK AND LOT FROM THE TAX ROLLS.**

R-3-2011-064 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT NO. 370 "OPTO 22 IRRIGATION SYSTEM UPGRADES & MAINTENANCE" WITH NSI NEAL SYSTEMS, INC. FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("MTUD").**

R-3-2011-065 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH HATCH MOTT MacDONALD FOR WELL NOS. 17-19 WATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**

R-3-2011-066 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO HATCH MOTT MacDONALD FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**

R-3-2011-067 **RESOLUTION GRANTING ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE OPEN SPACE AND FARMLAND PRESERVATION COMMISSION.**

R-3-2011-068 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHAIN, SCHAFFER & RAFANELLO, P.C. TO HANDLE VARIOUS WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS IN YEAR 2011 AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION.**

R-3-2011-069 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID FOR AMBULANCE REPAIR, PARTS AND SERVICE.** (Awarded to Curtis Corp)

R-3-2011-070 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID FOR ADULT MINI BUSES.** (Awarded to Arcola Sales & Service Corp)

R-3-2011-071 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES POSTED FOR STONEBRIDGE, PHASE 2 - PERIMETER ONLY.**

R-3-2011-072 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHAIN, SCHAFFER & RAFANELLO, P.C. TO HANDLE VARIOUS STATE TAX COURT APPEALS IN YEAR 2011 AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION.**

R-3-2011-073 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF DOG KENNEL LICENSES FOR YEAR 2011.**

R-3-2011-074 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF A PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE POSTED FOR ROAD OPENING PERMIT NO. 10-13.**

R-3-2011-075 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN XL SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE.**

R-3-2011-076 **RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE 2011 PROJECT PROPOSALS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

R-3-2011-077 **RESOLUTION REFUNDING TAX OVERPAYMENTS.**

R-3-2011-078 **RESOLUTION REFUNDING THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS.**

R-3-2011-079 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE AN ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR YEAR2011 WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC. AN AUTHORIZED VENDOR UNDER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.**

R-3-2011-080 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENDED SICK LEAVE.** (Employee No. 99257)

R-3-2011-081 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENDED SICK LEAVE.** (Employee No. 99431)

R-3-2011-082 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ADDENDUM TO THE INTER-LOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIPS OF MONROE AND SOUTH BRUNSWICK FOR THE LEASE OF MOBILE DATA COMPUTER SYSTEM (MDC) UNITS.**

R-3-2011-083 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED $2,050,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS TO DO ALL ACTS AND THINGS DEEMED NECESSARY AND ADVISABLE IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE, ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF SAID BONDS.**

Mayor's Report – Mayor Pucci stated the 2011 Municipal Budget is $47,000,000. The Tax Rate in the Budget will increase by 1.3% on $100.00 which breaks down to about $22.00 for the average taxpayer. The Census indicates a population of a little over 39,000**.**

Administrator's Report – Administrator Hamilton advised the Budget Work Shops will be held on March 15th and 17th at 6:30pm. The Public Hearing on the Budget will be held on April 4th. He also touched on some highlights of the Budget with expenditures going down both in the Township & MTUD Budgets.

Engineer's Report – No Report.

Council:

Councilwoman Koppel advised of the latest cultural arts program being held on 3/26. She also mentioned that jackets would be presented to the cheerleader's tomorrow night.

Councilman Leibowitz – gave an update on the "Colin Pascik Road to Recovery Fund". There are various fund raisers at the Kiwanis, one on March 10th at the Knights of Columbus in Spotswood, and the Cambridge Inn is also funding a dinner and two golf tournaments will be coming up.

Councilman Nalitt – No Report.

Council Vice-President Miller – commented on the Police Departments Swearing In Ceremony.

Council President Tamburro – spoke about an opportunity he had to read at the Learning Academy which is a school for autistic & severely physically challenged students. It's both difficult and rewarding.

PUBLIC:

Mark Klein, 53 Turnberry Drive – complimented Administrator Hamilton and Finance Officer George Lang on the preparation of the Municipal Budget. He also spoke on a report, prepared by a friend, showing other districts in Middlesex County that are socially and economically compared to Monroe. The School rating is the same. These schools receive substantially more per student than Monroe.

Tom Nothstein, 15 Nathaniel St. – asked to have the Budget Work Shop Sessions with the Agenda posted on the website. He also questioned a lawsuit Rivera v. Monroe litigating a $4.00 overcharge. And asking how it is decided to settle or fight in court. Attorney Shain responded.

Debra Lordi, Old Forge Rd – has issues with how the dry well location was determined on her property. Engineer Rasimowicz stated he has been waiting to hear from her and to review her Engineers' recommendation. Council President Tamburro suggested that Ms. Lordi, Engineer Feist and Engineer Rasimowicz all meet together to review her engineers' recommendations, to which she agreed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Koppel and seconded by Councilman Leibowitz, the Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 8:35 pm.

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

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SHARON DOERFLER, Township Clerk

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GERALD W. TAMBURRO, Council President

Minutes adopted on _____