

COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE

MINUTES

AGENDA MEETING - NOVEMBER 28, 2011

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

The Agenda 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 (7:34pm), 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 and Mark Rasimowicz, sitting in for Township Engineer Ernest W. Feist. Attorney Joel L. Shain arrived at the Agenda Meeting at 7:50 p.m. as the meeting was being adjourned.

ABSENT from this meeting was Township Engineer Ernest W. Feist.

There were approximately thirty (30) members of the Public present in the audience.

Council President Gerald W. 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 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 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 read the following entitled **ORDINANCE** for **SECOND READING** at the **MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2011** Regular Council Meeting:

- a. **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF LANDS DESIGNATED AS LOTS 13-18 AND 43-48 IN BLOCK 22.14, LOTS 1-3, 5-11 AND 52 IN BLOCK 22.6 AND LOTS 1-8 IN BLOCK 22.12 BEING GRANTED TO THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE TO BE DEDICATED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES.**

Council President Tamburro read the following entitled **ORDINANCES** for **INTRODUCTION** at the **MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2011** Regular Council Meeting:

- a. **ORDINANCE ACKNOWLEDGING MONROE TOWNSHIP'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF APPEGARTH ROAD (C.R. 619) AND UNION VALLEY ROAD (C.R. 615)**
- b. **ORDINANCE ACKNOWLEDGING MONROE TOWNSHIP'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF APPEGARTH ROAD (C.R. 619), ROSSMOOR DRIVE AND SOUTH MIDDLESEX AVENUE.**

- c. **ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O-9-2007-036 ACKNOWLEDGING MONROE TOWNSHIP'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF SCHOOLHOUSE ROAD AND PERRINEVILLE ROAD.**
- d. **ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF LAND DEDICATED TO THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE BY U.S. HOME CORPORATION *NUNC PRO TUNC* TO JUNE 20, 2007.**

Council President Tamburro requested the following entitled **RESOLUTIONS** for **CONSIDERATION** at the **MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2011** Regular Council Meeting be reviewed:

- a. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A 2012 FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR SENIOR CITIZEN AND DISABLED RESIDENT TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**
- b. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF INACTIVE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE 2011-2012 LICENSE TERM.**
- c. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS WITH FEIST ENGINEERING, INC. FOR VARIOUS PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO 2011 CAPITAL PROJECTS.**
- d. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF CASH MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") FOR W&S 1042, COTTAGE HILL CONSTRUCTION, BLOCK 18, LOT 30.07.**
- e. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO LEGGETTE, BRASHEARS AND GRAHAM, INC. FOR GENERAL HYDRO-GEOLOGIC CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- f. **RESOLUTION REFUNDING THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS.**
- g. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP SENIOR AND TRANSPORTATION CENTER AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT.**
- h. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") TO PREPARE SPECIFICATIONS AND ADVERTISE FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR VARIOUS GOODS AND SERVICES.**
- i. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF CONTRACT NO. 387D "TREATMENT CHEMICALS-CALCIUM HYDROXIDE" WITH YARVILLE SUPPLY CO. FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- j. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF CONTRACT NO. 387A "TREATMENT CHEMICALS-BIOXIDE" WITH SIEMENS INDUSTRY, INC. FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- k. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF CONTRACT NO. 387C "TREATMENT CHEMICALS-SODIUM HYDROXIDE" WITH UNIVAR, INC. FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- l. **RESOLUTION TERMINATING THE CONTRACT WITH PERFORMANCE PLUS FOR EMERGENCY GENERATOR PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE AWARDED THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM OF MERCER/MIDDLESEX (CPSMM) #61.**

- m. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 SUBMITTED BY FAI-GON ELECTRIC INC. IN CONNECTION WITH THE SIGNALIZATION AT APPLGARTH ROAD & CLEARBROOK PLAZA.**
- n. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES AND ESTABLISHING MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR OLD FORGE REGIONAL DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT.**
- o. **RESOLUTION REFUNDING TAX OVERPAYMENTS.**
- p. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING EXTENSION OF LIQUOR LICENSE TO ALAN I. GOULD, ESQ. PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 14A:14-2.**
- q. **RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTING A FLOOD MITIGATION PROPERTY ACQUISITION PROGRAM.**
- r. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO HATCH MOTT MACDONALD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") DESIGN AND PERMITTING OF THE ASHMALL AVENUE FORCE MAIN.**
- s. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") FOR REGENCY @ MONROE, SECTION 7B (W&S684.7B) – PB #1061-08.**
- t. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL OF AMERICAN FIDELITY ASSURANCE COMPANY TO PROVIDE GROUP LIFE INSURANCE AND SECTION 125 PLAN ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEES.**
- u. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. R-1 SUBMITTED BY ARCO CONSTRUCTION GROUP FOR ADDITIONAL WORK IN CONNECTION WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP SENIOR CENTER/TRANSPORTATION FACILITY.**

Councilman Nalitt questioned Item #7.b. – the renewal of an inactive liquor license. He asked if this was a continuing inactive license and was told "yes", that it is the same holder, not a transfer.

Councilwoman Koppel – questioned Item #6.c. – Ordinance acknowledging the acceptance of the traffic signal at the intersection of Schoolhouse and Perrineville Roads. Administrator Hamilton explained this is a process that is followed when accepting the traffic signal and certifying that they are constructed in accordance with the traffic control state law.

Mayor Richard Pucci – No Report

Administrator Wayne R. Hamilton – Mentioned there will be additional Resolutions added to the December 5, 2011 Regular Meeting Agenda, i.e. Audit Completion & Budget Transfers. Council President Tamburro questioned the close-out of the Community Center and Administrator Hamilton advised he does not know if that will be ready by the next meeting.

Engineer Mark Rasimowicz – No Report

Council:

Councilwoman Koppel – Advised that on November 30th the Cheerleaders will be going to Florida and there will be a send-off at the Community Center. On December 2nd at 1:30pm Make-A-Wish will hold their Grand Opening and on December 29th there will be a Dodge Ball Tournament in which all fund raising will go to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Councilman Leibowitz – No Report

Councilman Nalitt – No Report

Council Vice-President Miller – No Report

Council President Tamburro – No Report

Public:

Mark Small, 405 Schoolhouse Rd. – lives within the proposed “Parker House” being proposed to be built on Schoolhouse Rd. He wanted to make the Council aware of the deep concern among the residents on Schoolhouse Rd. Council President Tamburro advised that two voting members of the Planning Board sit on the Council and therefore there can be no discussion on the matter that may influence them one way or another.

Mr. Small stated that he understood, but felt that no one in the same situation would be happy if this facility was to be proposed to be built next door to their home. He hopes that this would be taken into consideration as the matter moves forward.

Tom Nothstein, 15 Nathaniel St. – questioned Item #6.d. – Acceptance of land dedicated to the town and he was advised it is two retention ponds along Matchaponix Rd.

Item #7.c. – Professional Service Contract for Feist for 2011 Capital Projects. Administrator Hamilton explained that there are three projects involved i.e. Road Paving for \$120,000, Disbrow Hill Road Shared Services paving job for \$30,000 and Drainage Improvements for \$30,000.

Item #7.l. – Termination of the Contract for emergency generator preventative maintenance. Administrator Hamilton explained that the company is going out of business and Mr. Rogers, Director of the MTUD responded that they would be going out to bid again.

Mr. Nothstein next asked for a status report on the Fire Consolidation Study Committee. Administrator Hamilton advised that the Committee is on schedule and there will be a Press Release going out the latter part of the week. A final report and recommendation will go to the Mayor and Council by April.

Michele Armenio, 9 Nathaniel St. – questioned Item #7.h. – MTUD preparing specifications for various goods and services, wanting to know what some of the services are. MTUD Director Rogers explained that one would be the generator maintenance repair for Forest Park Terrace Sewer Repairs; Pump Station #1 – redoing the lighting & ventilation on the wet well side; Well No. 8A - Redevelopment and Generator Maintenance & Repair Service.

Item #7.m. – Change Order #2 for the Signalization at Applegarth Road & Clearbrook Plaza. Administrator Hamilton responded advising that it is in the amount of \$1300 for the relocation of a button in order to meet handicap accessibility standards.

Item #7.n. – Release of Performance Guarantees for Old Forge Regional Drainage Improvement. Engineer Rasimowicz responded that the project is completed and advised that the original amount for the project was \$299,682.95. Next she asked where the funds came from and was told that it was a Township Capital Project.

Item #7.u. – Change Order #R-1 for Arco Construction for the New Senior Center, asking the value and was told by Administrator Hamilton the total is \$14,165.36.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel the Agenda Meeting was Adjourned at 7:50pm.

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| 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 |

SHARON DOERFLER, Township Clerk

GERALD W. TAMBURRO, Council President

Minutes were adopted on _____