

**TOWNSHIP OF MONROE**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**AGENDA MEETING - OCTOBER 31, 2016**

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 Vice-President Stephen Dalina with a Salute to the Flag.

**UPON ROLL CALL** by the Township Clerk, Patricia Reid, the following members of Council were present: Councilman Blaise Dipierro, Councilman Michael Leibowitz, Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider and Council Vice-President Stephen Dalina.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor Gerald W. Tamburro, Business Administrator Wayne R. Hamilton, Township Attorney Joel L. Shain, Engineer Mark Rasimowicz and Deputy Township Clerk Christine Robbins.

**ABSENT:** Council President Leslie Koppel

There were approximately eight (8) members of the Public present in the audience.

Council Vice-President Dalina 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 5, 2016 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 **STAR LEDGER** on January 8, 2016;
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 Vice-President Dalina read the following entitled **ORDINANCES** for **SECOND READING** at the **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2016** Regular Council Meeting:

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| <b>O-10-2016-033</b> | <b>ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES".</b>                                                                                            |
| <b>O-10-2016-034</b> | <b>ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2015 – 2018 SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL SALARY AND WAGE ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES AND WAGES FOR VARIOUS OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE.</b> |
| <b>O-10-2016-035</b> | <b>ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "LAND DEVELOPMENT".</b>                                                                               |

Council Vice-President Dalina read the following entitled **ORDINANCES** for **INTRODUCTION** at the **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2016** Regular Council Meeting:

- O-11-2016-036**            **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED, "LAND DEVELOPMENT".**
- O-11-2016-037**            **ORDINANCE REPEALING, REPLACING AND AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 131-1, *ET SEQ.*, OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE TO ADDRESS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FAIR HOUSING ACT AND THE UNIFORM HOUSING AFFORDABILITY CONTROLS (UHAC) REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE TOWNSHIP'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS.**
- O-11-2016-038**            **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED, "FEES".**

Council Vice-President Dalina requested the following entitled **RESOLUTIONS** for **CONSIDERATION** at the **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2016** Regular Council meeting be reviewed and any questions will be addressed:

- R-11-2016-373**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RESCINDING OF RESOLUTION NO. R-9-2016-314 AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO UTILITY SERVICE CO. INC., FOR CONTRACT 457 "SUBMERSIBLE TANK MIXER SYSTEMS" AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO REBID THE CONTRACT FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- R-11-2016-374**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR BIDS FOR LEASE OF A PORTION OF 12 ABEEL ROAD, BLOCK 55, LOT 4, FOR WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND ANTENNA ARRAY INSTALLATION.**
- R-11-2016-375**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) CARGO VANS USING THE NEW JERSEY STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (M.T.U.D.).**
- R-11-2016-376**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 SUBMITTED BY BRENNER DRAINAGE & EXCAVATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEMOLITION OF 146 AND 148 PROSPECT PLAINS ROAD.**
- R-11-2016-377**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHAIN, SCHAFFER & RAFANELLO, P.C. TO HANDLE THE MATTER OF DR HORTON *et al.* v. MONROE TOWNSHIP, *et al.* AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION.**
- R-11-2016-378**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR "CFC" RECOVERY REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM".**
- R-11-2016-379**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO BETTINA DURMASKIN SHOLK REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL FOR AN OPEN SPACE APPRAISAL ON BLOCK 52, LOT 4.08.**
- R-11-2016-380**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE POSTED BY DEFINO CONTRACTING COMPANY FOR 2015 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – MILLING AND PAVING OPERATIONS PROJECT UPON THE POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE.**
- R-11-2016-381**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A MOBILE HEAVY TRUCK LIFT FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS UNDER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.**

- R-11-2016-382 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR TO PREPARE SPECIFICATIONS AND ADVERTISE FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR VARIOUS GOODS.
- R-11-2016-383 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948).
- R-11-2016-384 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH DELTA DENTAL OF NEW JERSEY, INC. FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017.
- R-11-2016-385 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FEES RELATED TO THE REPRESENTATION OF THE TOWNSHIP IN CONNECTION WITH A DECLARATORY JUDGMENT ACTION REGARDING THE TOWNSHIP'S COAH COMPLIANCE.
- R-11-2016-386 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT MADE BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND SHARED PROPERTIES, LLC A NEW JERSEY LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, WITH REGARDS TO PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE TO THE INTERSECTIONS OF JOAN WARREN WAY AND APPLGARTH ROAD IN MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY.
- R-11-2016-387 RESOLUTION REFUNDING THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENT.
- R-11-2016-388 RESOLUTION REFUNDING TAX OVERPAYMENTS.
- R-11-2016-389 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) VEHICLES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT UNDER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.
- R-11-2016-390 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) PICK-UP TRUCKS USING THE NEW JERSEY STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (M.T.U.D.).
- R-11-2016-391 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION #2 TO A CONTRACT AWARDED TO R3M ENGINEERING, INC. FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").
- R-11-2016-392 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH HMR ARCHITECTS FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE RESTROOM FACILITIES AT THE DEY FARMHOUSE.
- R-11-2016-393 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR HEALTHCARE INSURANCE WITH AETNA FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017.
- R-11-2016-394 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID FOR THE CONSTRUCTION & LEASE AGREEMENT FOR A LATTICE CELL TOWER & FACILITIES AT THE MONROE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT.
- R-11-2016-395 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS.

**Mayor's Report** – Mayor Tamburro reported that the Halloween Parade was held Saturday at the Community Center with over 200 children in attendance. It was a great event with apple cider and donuts being served. He added that there is a parade and party being held tonight at the Orchards in their clubhouse and commented that it is nice to have facilities to hold events in a safe environment.

**Administrator's Report** – Renewals for dental and medical: was able to negotiate for dental for a 0% increase for a year. Medical started with a 14% increase but was able to negotiate to a 7% increase.

R-11-2016-394: still being reviewed by the attorney, will generate about \$33,000.

Waiting on an estimate from Center State to do ADA bathrooms at Daniel P. Ryan field.

**Engineer's Report** – Engineer Rasimowicz gave a brief update on the Perrineville/Federal Road Improvement Project, stating that a pre-construction meeting is set for Wednesday. He added that he will have a report once a start date has been set.

### **Council's Reports:**

**Councilwoman Schneider** – Attended the DECA Car Show, ground breaking for Eleanor's Distributors, Oktoberfest and Green Fair.

November 24<sup>th</sup> is the annual Thanksgiving dinner at the Senior Center – cost is \$10.00.

Attended the ceremony honoring Dr. Wolf. Her son was very much honored that we still honor her as she has been gone for 15 years.

**Councilman Leibowitz** – Reminder to go out to vote on Tuesday; there is a local election in Ward 2.

**Councilman Dipierro** – No Report

**Council Vice-President Dalina** – No Report

**Council President Koppel** – Absent

### **Public:**

**Charlie Lerman – 11 Doral Dr.** – Expressed his displeasure in seeing the Mayor's name on a flyer along with Andy Palurri, who is running for a member of the Board of Education. In his opinion, politics should not be involved in the Board of Education. Mayor Tamburro responded that he had nothing to do with the invitation that was distributed and that he did attend the event. Mr. Lerman commented that he should have instead declined.

**Gary Busman, 7 Monarch Rd.** – Mr. Busman asked about R-11-2016-395; Administrator Hamilton explained that the transfers take money from surplus accounts and move it into accounts that need money.

**Harold Kane, Newport Way, Rossmoor** – Mr. Kane commented that the Oktoberfest was one of the best ones yet. He attended with the American Legion who gave out poppy's earning them about \$500. Money donated goes to making gift packages for the Vets. Suggested that the vendors donate food cards opposed to paying a fee for participating; Council Vice-President Dalina explained that Vendors are not charged to participate; they instead donate money to food banks.

**Michele Arminio, 9 Nathaniel St.** – Mrs. Arminio had several questions about the following:

R-11-2016-385: Asked if this was for professional services; Administrator Hamilton responded that this was an additional \$10,000 needed for the Township Attorney for the ongoing COAH litigation.

R-11-2016-377: Asked what this is and what the cost is; Mike Barnes explained that this is between two developers, one is suing the other one and we are caught in the middle. The cost is \$25,000.

O-11-2016-035: what kind of land development; It is for Chapter 108, clarification of the ordinance having to do with height.

O-11-2016-036: Asked what this is; Engineer Rasimowicz explained that this is for Chapter 108, Section 6.28 regarding affordable housing and COAH.

O-11-2016-037: Asked what this is; Engineer Rasimowicz explained that this is in conjunction with O-11-2016-036; Wayne explained further that this has to do with the zoning changes due to the COAH settlement.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Schneider and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the Agenda Meeting of October 31, 2016 will be Adjourned at 7:23PM.

ROLL CALL: Councilman Blaise Dipierro	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council Vice-President Stephen Dalina	Aye
Council President Leslie Koppel	Absent

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PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

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STEPHEN DALINA, Council Vice-President

Minutes were adopted on December 5, 2016