

TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING - NOVEMBER 9, 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 President Leslie Koppel 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, Council Vice-President Stephen Dalina and Council President Leslie Koppel.

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.

There were approximately fourteen (14) members of the Public present in the audience.

Council President Koppel 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.

The following **PROCLAMATIONS** of Mayor Gerald W. Tamburro were read into the record:

**PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
NOVEMBER 2016**

**DECA MONTH
NOVEMBER 2016**

**HindiUSA
10TH ANNIVERSARY – NOVEMBER 12, 2016**

**PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY
75TH ANNIVERSARY - DECEMBER 7, 2016**

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Council Vice-President Dalina, the **CLAIMS** per run date of **10/27/2016** were approved for payment as presented.

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

UPON MOTION made by Council Vice-President Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **MINUTES** of the **November 30, 2015 Closed Session** was approved as written and presented.

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

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Council Vice-President Dalina, the **MINUTES** of the **January 25, 2016 Closed Session, March 28, 2016 Closed Session, August 1, 2016 Regular Meeting, August 29, 2016 Special and Agenda Meeting, September 7, 2016 Regular Meeting and September 26, 2016 Agenda Meeting** were approved as written and presented.

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

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Councilman Leibowitz, the **MINUTES** of the **October 5, 2016 Agenda Meeting** were approved as written and presented.

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

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Council Vice-President Dalina, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second reading for final passage: **O-10-2016-033 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES"**.

ORDINANCE as follows: (O-10-2016-033)

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: (new text is in blue, text to be deleted is in red)

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.

The following fees shall be charged by the township for services rendered or licenses or permits issued. All license fees shall be annual unless otherwise noted.

A. GENERAL FEES:

(2) Codification.

- (a) Code Book - Two hundred dollars (\$200.).
- (b) Chapter 108 - "Land Development Ordinance" - ~~One hundred dollars (\$100.);~~ One hundred and fifty dollars (\$150).
- (c) Chapter 130 "Zoning" has been repealed by the adoption of the above Chapter 108.
- (d) Land Development Map - Five dollars (\$5.).
- (e) Master Plan as of July, 2003 - ~~Seventy-five dollars (\$75.);~~ One hundred dollars (\$100).

C. CONSTRUCTION FEES:

Section 39-3C, ADMINISTRATIVE AND CERTIFICATE FEE SCHEDULE – SCHEDULE I

E. Certificate of Compliance (includes electrical C. of C. for commercial pools, spas or hot tubs	No charge \$100
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Section 39-3C, BUILDING SUBCODE FEES – SCHEDULE II

<i>Type of Work</i>	<i>Based On</i>	<i>Schedule #1</i>	<i>Schedule #2</i>	<i>Schedule #3</i>
A. New Buildings or Additions [Amended 11-30-09 by Ord. No. 0-11-2009-036; 3-7-11 by Ord. No. 0-3-2011-005; 11-4-15 by Ord. No. O-11-2015-020]	cubic volume	\$0.036	\$0.035 \$0.015 per 1,000,000 cubic feet	\$0.036

Section 39-3C, PLUMBING SUBCODE FEE SCHEDULE – SCHEDULE VI
 [Amended 11-30-09 by Ord. No. O-11-2009-036; 12-28-12 by Ord. No. O-12-2012-039]

<i>Fixture/Equipment</i>	<i>Based On</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Commercial Heating and Equipment (RTU)	each	\$65. \$200.

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.

There was no Public or Council discussion.

As Councilman Leibowitz and Council Vice-President Dalina regularly moved and seconded the adoption, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption: **O-10-2016-033 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES".**

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.
O-10-2016-033

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Schneider and seconded by Council Vice-President Dalina, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second reading for final passage: **O-10-2016-034 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.**

ORDINANCE as follows: (O-10-2016-034)

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the 2015 – 2018 Supervisory Personnel Salary and Wage Ordinance shall be amended, effective January 1, 2017 as follows:

SECTION 1. The following annual salaries, wages and fees shall be paid, effective January 1, 2017, as hereinafter specified:

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>2016 to 2018 SALARY AND WAGE RANGES</u>		
Assistant Tax Assessor	\$50,000	to	\$74,932
Assistant Tax Collector	\$50,000	to	\$70,431
Confidential Secretary	\$49,000	to	\$61,873
Coordinator Circ. & Tech Services	\$50,000	to	\$65,162
Senior Outreach Professional	\$50,000	to	\$68,297
Utility Purchasing Manager	\$50,000	to	\$90,094
Utility Safety Compliance Manager	\$50,000	to	\$84,463
Public Information Officer	\$50,000	to	\$90,000
Senior Services Social Worker	\$50,000	to	\$70,000
Transitional Business Administrator	\$90,000	to	\$155,000
Junior Librarian	\$50,000	to	\$68,594
Adjunct Library Program Manager	\$49,000	to	\$54,536
Admin. Officer/Planning & Zoning P/T	\$20,000	to	\$25,000
Admin. Officer/Planning & Zoning F/T	\$50,000	to	\$107,574

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 upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

SO ORDAINED, as aforesaid.

George Gunkelman, 5 Kelly Court – Mr. Gunkelman asked for clarification as the ranges seem very broad and loose; Administrator Hamilton responded that the Fair Labor Standards Act is putting in new requirements which will become effective December 1st. This adjusts the salaries

to be in compliance so not to trigger overtime.

As Councilwoman Schneider and Council Vice-President Dalina regularly moved and seconded the adoption, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption: **O-10-2016-034 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.**

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.
O-10-2016-034

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Council Vice-President Dalina, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second reading for final passage: **O-10-2016-035 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED “LAND DEVELOPMENT”.**

ORDINANCE as follows: (O-10-2016-035)

WHEREAS, certain revisions made to Chapter 108 in connection with the approved Housing Element and Fair Share Plan limited the height of certain inclusionary developments to 45 feet; and

WHEREAS, the VC I Village overlay height restrictions were inconsistent with those amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that the inclusionary housing zones should have similar height restrictions;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that Chapter 108, § 6.7 J (7)(b)[4] shall be revised to read:

<u>Description</u>	
Principal Building, Townhouse	3 stories, 36 feet
100 percent affordable and Multi-family	3 stories of occupied space, 45 feet

SO ORDAINED as aforesaid.

There was no Public or Council discussion.

Council President Koppel asked for a Motion to Table the Public Hearing and Final Adoption of this Ordinance until the December 5, 2016 Regular Meeting in order to refer to the Planning Board for recommendation.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Council Vice-President Dalina, the Public Hearing and Final Adoption of Ordinance O-11-2016-035 was Tabled to the December 5, 2016 Regular Meeting.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Councilman Leibowitz, an

Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage:

O-11-2016-036 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED, "LAND DEVELOPMENT".

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Council Vice-President Dalina, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **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.**

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Council Vice-President Dalina, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **O-11-2016-038 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED, "FEES".**

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Vice-President Dalina and seconded by Councilwoman Schneider, the following Resolutions were moved for Adoption under the **CONSENT AGENDA** as herein below set forth:

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

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

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| 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 TO SHAIN, SCHAFFER & RAFANELLO, P.C. 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 TRAFFIC SIGNALIZATION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE TO THE INTERSECTIONS OF JOAN WARREN WAY AND APPEGARTH 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.
- R-11-2016-396 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 JSM AT MONROE, LLC A NEW JERSEY LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, WITH REGARDS TO PROPOSED TRAFFIC SIGNALIZATION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE TO THE INTERSECTION OF SPOTSWOOD-ENGLISHTOWN ROAD (A/K/A CR 613) AND MOUNT MILLS ROAD IN MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESE COUNTY, NEW JERSEY.

Mayor’s Report -

- Mayor Tamburro commented that it was a very successful election with over 61% of voter turnout. He congratulated Township Clerk Patricia Reid and her staff on doing a terrific job. He also congratulated Councilman Dipierro on his win.
- He reminded everyone of the Veteran’s Day services being held within the Township, adding that it is also the 50th anniversary of Vietnam and he feels that those who served did not receive the proper recognition when they returned home and it is important to honor them. It is also the 75th anniversary of Pearl Harbor.
- On November 13th there will be a chorus at the Marasco Center at 2pm recognizing those who have served.
- He was Invited to attend the mock election at the high school on Monday which went over how to understand the polling process and meeting of the Electoral College. There were 1,700 children in attendance and continues to be a wonderful program.

Administrator's Report –

- Administrator Hamilton reminded everyone of the Veteran's Day services being held.
- He also mentioned that the Monroe Township High School Marching Band will be representing New Jersey at the Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade in Hawaii, adding that it is very important to support their fundraising efforts.

Engineer's Report –

- Engineer Rasimowicz reported that tomorrow and next week Perrineville Road will be milled and paved from the northern section which includes Forsgate Drive entrance to Thompson Park – expect delays.

Council's Reports -

Councilman Dipierro – Councilman Dipierro thanked the Clerk's office for a great job with the election.

Reported that a little boy was struck by a car on Old Forge Road. Councilman Dipierro knows the family and the driver and said everyone was very shaken by the accident and asked for prayers for the little boy. He reminded everyone to wear their helmets when out bike riding and to watch for deer.

He also extended get well wishes to Lorena from the Clerk's office who is recovering from emergency appendectomy surgery.

Councilwoman Schneider – Councilwoman Schneider attended the mock election and was very impressed with the students.

She extended thanks to the Clerk's office for a great job with the election.

Presented the Proclamation to the DECA Club at the High School.

November 24th the Senior Center will be having Thanksgiving dinner. The cost is \$10 and includes great food and great company. If anyone needs a ride please reach out and arrangements will be made to get you there. Joe Harvie will be missed at this event.

Best wishes to Judy Kalman from the Senior Center on her retirement.

Once a week the high school is looking for volunteers from the adult communities to come and socialize with the special needs children; if anyone would like to volunteer please contact Bonnie at the Senior Center.

Councilman Leibowitz – Councilman Leibowitz reminded everyone of the Veteran's Day services being held this Friday at the Monroe Township Jewish Center.

He extended thanks to the Clerk's office for a job well done in handling the election.

He congratulated Blaise on behalf of the Republican Party, as well as, Michele, Ken and Patty in winning the school board election.

Council Vice-President Dalina – Council Vice-President Dalina thanked the Clerk's office, poll workers and congratulated all of the candidates.

Commented that Octoberfest is more than just a street fair; it is an opportunity for our Recreation Department to recognize those leaders in the community.

The Youth Advisory Committee has four new members and will be working on a possible environmental project but are leaning more towards a mock crash prior to prom season that will be filmed. They have been reaching out to the parties involved in hopes of pulling off this event.

The Monroe Township Library will be holding a book sale from December 9th through the 12th.

Council President Koppel – Council President Koppel reminded everyone that on Sunday, November 20th at 4:00pm at the Marasco Center there will be a show, “Think Pink Floyd”. There are other events being held as well which should be checked out.

Extended congratulations to Blaise and the rest of the winners of the election.

The Police Unity Tour Fundraiser is being held tonight at Baker’s American Bar & Grill until 10:00pm; 15% of the bill gets donated back to the Monroe Township Police Unity riders.

Public:

Giuseppe Bongiovi, 9 Jurgelsky Rd. – mentioned there were downed trees on a power line on Dey Grove Road and also on Federal Road; Engineer Rasimowicz will look into.

Congratulated all those who won the election.

Michele Arminio, 9 Nathaniel St. – extended congratulations to all of the winners.

Mrs. Arminio had questions regarding several of the following resolutions and the costs:

R-11-2016-376; Administrator Hamilton answered that this is for the cost of demolition, the original amount was \$35,000 and now an additional \$4,645 is needed for asbestos removal.

R-11-2016-377; Administrator Hamilton answered that the cost is \$25,000 to the Township Attorney for litigation with DR Horton.

R-11-2016-385; Administrator Hamilton answered that this is for an additional \$10,000 to the Township Attorney for extraordinary litigation. Mrs. Arminio asked what the total cost is, to which Administrator Hamilton answered that he did not have the total cost but will get.

She thanked all veterans for fighting for democracy, Colin Pasick and her husband who was a Vietnam Veteran as well. She extended thanks to her brother-in-law, who was diagnosed with a disease as a result of Agent Orange. She continued that because of them there is freedom and freedom of speech. Mayor Tamburro responded that this is why we are honoring the Vietnam Veteran’s as they deserve praise and honor.

Hy Grossman, 15 Doral Dr. – Mr. Grossman asked if R-11-2016-396 was the Monroe Park Development; Engineer Rasimowicz responded that it was.

He also asked if there was any progress with the County in having the speed limit reduced on Spotswood-Englishtown Road; Engineer Rasimowicz answered that the County does not recommend it now but will reassess after the traffic signal is installed.

George Gunkelman, 5 Kelly Ct. – Mr. Gunkelman asked what R-11-2016-381 was; Administrator Hamilton explained that it is a lift needed for vehicle repair and it is being purchased under state contract.

He asked what the gross amount for R-11-2016-395 was; Administrator Hamilton explained that it is \$96,000. He added that funds cannot be moved from line items until after November 1st with most of that money going into the accumulated absence fund.

Lucille DiPasquale, 70 Avenue K – Mrs. DiPasquale spoke about the Emerald Ash Borer Study and explained that the treatment must be done by May 15th. She added that even healthy trees need to be treated and they would need to be treated every other year. The trees can be treated with an over the counter insecticide unless they are more than 30% affected which then a professional would have to treat with a pesticide. She explained the importance of educating the public so they can save their trees. Councilman Leibowitz asked what the cost of treating a tree would be; Mrs. DiPasquale answered it would cost \$5.00 per inch of the diameter of the

tree. Council President Koppel added that she would like a copy of the Emerald Ash Borer flyer to be posted on the Township website.

UPON MOTION made by Council Vice-President Dalina and seconded by Councilwoman Schneider, the Regular Council Meeting of November 9, 2016 was Adjourned at 7:50PM.

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

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

LESLIE KOPPEL, Council President

Minutes were adopted on December 5, 2016