

**COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE**

**MINUTES**

**AGENDA MEETING – FEBRUARY 25, 2013**

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 7:00 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: Councilman Stephen Dalina, Councilwoman Leslie Koppel, Councilman Michael Leibowitz, 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 Township Engineer Ernest W. Feist.

There were approximately ten (10) members of the Public present in the audience.

Council President Tamburro requested the 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 4, 2013 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 4, 2013;
3. Posted on January 4, 2013 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, MARCH 4, 2013** Regular Council Meeting:

- a. **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED, "FEES".**

Council President Tamburro read the following entitled **ORDINANCES** for **INTRODUCTION** at the **MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2013** Regular Council Meeting:

- a. **BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER O-8-2000-026 FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ON AUGUST 28, 2000 (WHICH PROVIDES FOR VARIOUS 2000 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS), AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, TO AMEND THE DESCRIPTION SET FORTH THEREIN AND TO REAPPROPRIATE APPROPRIATION, AUTHORIZATION AND DOWN PAYMENT AMOUNTS AMONG CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS SET FORTH THEREIN.**

- b. **ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2011-2014 SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL SALARY AND WAGE ORDINANCE.**
- c. **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 79 ENTITLED, "POLICE DEPARTMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS".**
- d. **ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 38A OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FACILITIES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES".**
- e. **ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK.**

Council President Tamburro requested the following entitled **RESOLUTIONS** for **CONSIDERATION** at the **MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2013** Regular Council Meeting be reviewed and will be happy to address any questions:

- a. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES POSTED FOR CLEARVIEW ESTATES.**
- b. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 SUBMITTED BY JAC EXCAVATING, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH ENCORE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 2.**
- c. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES FOR STONEBRIDGE, PHASE 1, SECTION 4B.**
- d. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF CONTRACT NO. 397 – SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE AWARDED TO MIRACLE CHEMICAL COMPANY FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- e. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 SUBMITTED BY TOMCO CONSTRUCTION, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH NORTH DISBROW HILL ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS. (Original contract amt. decreased by \$8,565.81)**
- f. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF CONTRACT NO. 398 –PATCH PAVING & CONCRETE INSTALLATION AWARDED TO PM CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- g. **RESOLUTION REFUNDING THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS.**
- h. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO TIMOTHY HOFFMAN, INC. FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH IMPROVEMENTS TO PERRINEVILLE ROAD & UNION VALLEY ROAD, BLOCK 18, LOTS 14.04 & 14.07 AND BLOCK 27.06, LOT 28.**
- i. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF DOG KENNEL LICENSES FOR THE YEAR 2013.**
- j. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET APPROPRIATION RESERVE TRANSFERS.**
- k. **RESOLUTION REJECTING THE BID RECEIVED FROM LAYNE CHRISTENSEN COMPANY FOR CONTRACT NO. 418 - "ION EXCHANGE SYSTEM REPAIR & MAINTENANCE" AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACT 418 TO BE RE-BID BY THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- l. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FEES TO SHAIN, SCHAFFER & RAFANELLO, P.C. FOR REPRESENTATION OF THE TOWNSHIP IN THE MATTER OF EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION RELATED TO THE TOLL BROS. INTERSECTION CONDEMNATION.**

- m. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO HATCH MOTT MACDONALD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO HYDRAULIC MODELING OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS - 2013 FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- n. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO HATCH MOTT MACDONALD FOR SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE DESIGN SERVICES - PUMP STATION NO. 5 ROOF REPAIR FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- o. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER R-9 SUBMITTED BY ARCO CONSTRUCTION GROUP, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL WORK PERFORMED IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP SENIOR/TRANSPORTATION FACILITY.**
- p. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") TO ADVERTISE FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR "FIRE HYDRANT FLUSHING SERVICES".**
- q. **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXTENSION OF THE INTRODUCTION AND APPROVAL OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP 2013 ANNUAL BUDGET TO APRIL 1, 2013.**
- r. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION TO THE CALCULATION OF THE TAX COLLECTION RATE.**
- s. **RESOLUTION REFUNDING TAX LIEN OVERPAYMENTS.**
- t. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID FOR 2013 LEAF AND GRASS BAGS.**  
(Bids to be received 2/27/2013)
- u. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP SHADE TREE CONSULTING SERVICES CALENDAR YEAR 2013.**  
(RFQ's to be received 2/27/2013)
- v. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY 2013 TEMPORARY BUDGET AMENDMENT.**
- w. **RESOLUTION GRANTING ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION.** (Kathy Morolda)
- x. **RESOLUTION GRANTING ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER-CHAIRPERSON OF THE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION.** (Maria Naumik)

Councilwoman Koppel asked the status of Agenda Item #7.I. regarding Toll Bros. Intersection Condemnations and Administrator Hamilton responded that we are ready to close on all but one property which is in Chapter 11.

**Mayor Pucci** – No Report

**Administrator Hamilton** – Reported that Budget Work Shops will be held on Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

**Engineer Feist** – No Report

**Council Reports:**

Council President Tamburro – thanked Council Vice-President Miller for chairing the meetings in his absence.

Councilman Leibowitz – No Report.

Councilman Dalina – No Report.

Councilwoman Koppel – No Report.

Council Vice-President Miller announced that March 24<sup>th</sup> is the Anniversary of the Founding of Monroe Township and the Historic Commission is in discussions as to a date when to hold the Celebrations. The Celebration will be held at the Dey Farm on a date when the weather is feasible to hold an outside activity.

**Public:**

Irwin Newman, 5 Matano Court – Stated that he is a 42 year resident of the Township and a proponent of the Senior Center. He understands the Township has gotten some criticism over the building a new Senior Center, however, he and his wife are eagerly looking forward to the opening of the Center. Unfortunately he and his neighbors do not enjoy the amenities that people in the gated communities enjoy. He is eagerly looking forward to the opening as are a lot of his neighbors. He asked when the opening might be and Administrator Hamilton responded that the opening is being planned for early April.

Councilman Leibowitz asked about a bus shuttle from the north end of town to the new Senior Center and Administrator Hamilton responded that there will be a dedicated shuttle bus that will take people back and for to the Senior Center. A call ahead with a date and time is all that will be needed.

Lucille DiPasquale, 7 Avenue K – Thanked the Mayor, Council & professionals for the clean-up of the property at 228 Matchaponix Ave.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Leibowitz the Meeting was Adjourned at 7:12pm.

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SHARON DOERFLER, Clerk

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GERALD W. TAMBURRO, Council President

Minutes were adopted on \_\_\_\_\_

