

THE FOLLOWING IS A **PRELIMINARY AGENDA** AND THERE MAY BE CHANGES MADE TO THE AGENDA BEFORE OR AT THE MEETING, AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

**MAY 7, 2018**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order. (7:00 p.m.)

2. Salute to the Flag.

3. **ROLL CALL:**

Councilman Leonard Baskin  
Councilwoman Miriam Cohen  
Councilman Charles Dipierro  
Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider  
Council President Stephen Dalina

4. Council President Dalina to request 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 has been provided by the following:

1. Posted on the Bulletin Boards within the Municipal Building on January 2, 2018 and remains posted at that location for public inspection;
2. Printed in the **HOME NEWS TRIBUNE** and **CRANBURY PRESS** on January 5, 2018;
3. Posted on the Monroe Township website; and
4. 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.

5. **PRESENTATION of PROCLAMATION** - Presented by Mayor Tamburro to Dr. Sable, Resident and President of Jersey Shore Medical Center.

**Paint the Town Pink  
May 1, 2018 – May 31, 2018**

6. **PROCLAMATIONS of Mayor Tamburro** entitled:

**League of Women Voters of Monroe Township 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
May 2018**

**Israel and El Al Commemoration Day  
May 14, 2018**

7. **PRESENTATIONS:**

Human Relations Commission Annual Ceremony honoring and presenting Awards to those students who exemplify the 6 pillars of Character: Caring, Responsibility, Respect, Fairness, Citizenship and Trustworthiness.

Barclay Brook:

Pre-K: Srishti Binu  
Kindergarten: Ava Mioduszewski  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Austin Middleton  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Hari Pandya

Brookside:

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Ava Leung  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Chase Gochenour  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Julianna Dowd

Oak Tree:

Pre-K: Yahya Alam  
Kindergarten: Srikar Thella  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Renesh Dhinakar  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Aniedi Udom  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Kirtin Mendi

Applegarth:

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Advik Sivakumar  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Sophia Todoric

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Pre-K: Alec Guzikowski  
Kindergarten: Asha Mathur  
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MTMS:

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Ava Cavotta  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Jesi Goldstein  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Bryce Addeo

MTHS:

Freshman: Jacob Weiss  
Sophomore: Kylie-Ann Ferandes  
Junior: Nicholas Benzi  
Senior: Ritik Patel

8. **MOTION** to approve the payment of **CLAIMS** per run date 4/26/2018.

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

9. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION** to approve the **MINUTES** of the following Meetings as written and presented:

- **April 9, 2018 Regular Meeting**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

10. **ORDINANCE(S) for SECOND READING:**

**O-4-2018-012            ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 25 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, ENTITLED “CONSTRUCTION CODES, UNIFORM” TO EXEMPT IMPROVEMENTS MADE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY FROM FEES.**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

**O-4-2018-013            ORDINANCE ACCEPTING DEEDS FOR THE PUMP STATION SITE NO. 13 AT REGENCY AT MONROE.**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

**O-4-2018-014            ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED “LAND DEVELOPMENT” REGARDING MULCH PROCESSING.**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

**O-4-2018-015            ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK.**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

11. **ORDINANCE(S) for INTRODUCTION:**

**O-5-2018-016            ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO THE 2015 – 2018 SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL SALARY AND WAGE ORDINANCE.**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

**O-5-2018-017                    ORDINANCE ACKNOWLEDGING MONROE TOWNSHIP'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF PERRINEVEILLE ROAD (CR625) AND FEDERAL ROAD.**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

12. Request for a **MOTION and SECOND** to open the **PUBLIC HEARING** on the **2018 Municipal Budget** as Introduced on **April 9, 2018**.

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

**PUBLIC HEARING / DISCUSSION**

Request for **MOTION and SECOND** to close the Public Hearing.

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

- 13.a. Resolution to **Amend** the **2018 Municipal Budget** as Introduced on April 9, 2018

**R-5-2018-127A                    RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET. (\$3,000.00 transfer)**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

- 13.b. Resolution to **Adopt** the **2018 Municipal Budget** as Amended on May 7, 2018.

**R-5-2018-127B                    RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

14. **RESOLUTIONS** for **CONSIDERATION** under the **CONSENT AGENDA**:

**R-5-2018-128                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF CASH PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR W&S 908 – BLOCK 25, LOT 2.04 – CLEARBROOK COMMONS, PB#914-04 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Applegarth Rd. across from Clearbrook)**

- R-5-2018-129**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR BLOCK 106.84, LOTS 1-48 W&S 1142 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Cottonwood Crt. – single lot)**
- R-5-2018-131**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR BLOCK 148, LOT 1.03 – W&S 1175 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (480 Spotswood-Englishtown Rd – single lot)**
- R-5-2018-132**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO B & W CONSTRUCTION CO. OF N.J. INC. FOR CONTRACT 477 – “SYSTEM REPAIR SERVICES” FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Per unit pricing)**
- R-5-2018-133**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO A.C. SCHULTES, CO. FOR CONTRACT 478 – WELL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Per unit pricing)**
- R-5-2018-136**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO WSP USA FOR HYDROGEOLOGIC CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (2018 water sampling compliance \$17,000)**
- R-5-2018-137**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO WSP USA FOR HYDROGEOLOGIC CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Well and Groundwater Resources \$18,000)**
- R-5-2018-139**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE TO JOIN THE NATIONAL JOINT POWERS ALLIANCE (NJPA) COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.**
- R-5-2018-141**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH JAMES H. LASKEY, ESQ. FOR SERVICES RELATED TO THE CATV TELEVISION REFRANCHISE. (\$5,000)**
- R-5-2018-142**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH INTERNATIONAL FIREWORKS MANUFACTURING COMPANY. (\$17,200)**
- R-5-2018-143**            **RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION TO MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION TO CONDUCT A FIREWORK DISPLAY.**
- R-5-2018-144**            **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES AND ESTABLISHING MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR 311 SPOTSWOOD-ENGLISHTOWN ROAD REALTY, LLC. (BA-5070-12). (311 Spotswood-Englishtown Road)**

- R-5-2018-145** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF VEHICLES AND SURPLUS PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE TO BE CONDUCTED BY GOVDEALS.COM UNDER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.
- R-5-2018-146** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO PHYSIO-CONTROL, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF AUTOMATED CHEST COMPRESSION SYSTEMS FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP FIRST AID.  
(10 units including options \$148,823.44)
- R-5-2018-148** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO CHERRY VALLEY TRACTOR SALES FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FORTY (40) TON LOWBOY TRAILER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.  
(\$66,655.60)
- R-5-2018-149** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS.
- R-5-2018-150** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS.
- R-5-2018-151** Removed
- R-5-2018-152** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHAIN SCHAFFER PC TO HANDLE THE MATTER OF EL AT MONROE, LLC. v. THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION. (\$15,000)
- R-5-2018-153** RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NJ DOT) FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE SPOTSWOOD AVENUE, ELLINGHAM AVENUE AND AVENUE G PEDESTRIAN, DRAINAGE AND ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.
- R-5-2018-154** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO ROAD SAFETY SYSTEMS, LLC FOR GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENT ON WYCOFF MILLS ROAD. (\$34,905)
- R-5-2018-155** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR THE PROVISION OF RECYCLING COLLECTION AND MARKETING SERVICES OF DESIGNATED RECYCLABLES.
- R-5-2018-156** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL 90-DAYS OF EXTENDED SICK LEAVE.
- R-5-2018-157** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL 90-DAYS OF EXTENDED SICK LEAVE.
- R-5-2018-158** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACTS TO SKYLINE ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH TRAINING SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018 FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP AND THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”).  
(Monroe Twp. \$10,640.00; M.T.U.D. \$11,240.00)

**Consent Agenda Resolutions:** MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_  
SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_  
ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

15. **RESOLUTIONS removed from consent agenda for CONSIDERATION:**

**R-5-2018-130 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF CASH PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR W&S 1014 – ROBERT ROSS – BLOCK 124 LOT 14.01 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Montano Crt. – single lot)**

**R-5-2018-134 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO LAYNE CHRISTENSEN CO. FOR CONTRACT 479 – ION EXCHANGE SYSTEM REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Per unit pricing)**

**R-5-2018-135 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO S & G PAVING CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR CONTRACT 480 “PATCH PAVING AND CONCRETE REPAIR” FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Per unit pricing)**

**R-5-2018-138 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF CASH MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED FOR W&S 988 – CLEARVIEW ESTATES – BLOCK 35, LOTS 27 & 28 – PB#1029-06 WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (George Alan Court)**

**R-5-2018-140 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE LOAN REPAYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNER OF AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT LOCATED AT 1171 MORNING GLORY DRIVE, MONROE TOWNSHIP, N.J.**

**R-5-2018-147 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO POWER SAWS OF AMERICA, INC. (T/A RKD TREE SERVICES) FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP TREE REMOVAL AND PRUNING SERVICES. (Per unit pricing)**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

16. Mayor’s Report.

17. Administrator’s Report.

18. Engineer’s Report.

19. Council’s Reports.

20. Public. (5 Minutes per Speaker)

21. Adjournment. Time: \_\_\_\_\_

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_

**TOWNSHIP OF MONROE**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING – MAY 7, 2018**

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

The Regular Meeting was Called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Council 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 Baskin, Councilwoman Cohen, Councilman Charles Dipierro, Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider and Council President Stephen Dalina.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor Gerald W. Tamburro, Business Administrator Alan M. Weinberg, Township Attorney Joel Shain, Engineer Mark Rasimowicz and Deputy Township Clerk Christine Robbins.

There were approximately one hundred (100) members of the Public present in the audience.

Council 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 has been provided by the following:

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4. 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.

Mayor Tamburro presented Township Clerk, Patricia Reid a proclamation acknowledging “Municipal Clerk’s Week”, held May 6<sup>th</sup> through May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Township Clerk, Patricia Reid thanked the Mayor and Council, as well as, her staff for all of their hard work and dedication.

Mayor Tamburro presented a proclamation for “Paint the Town Pink”, held May 1<sup>st</sup> through May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 to Dr. Sable who is a resident of Monroe Township and President of Jersey Shore Medical Center. He will also soon be opening an Urgent Care office in the Township. Dr. Sable gave an overview of the Paint the Town Pink program as it is in its 12<sup>th</sup> year and explained the importance of mammograms and early detection. He thanked the Mayor and Council for all of their support in promoting this program. Mayor Tamburro reminded everyone of the importance of taking charge of your health.

Council President Dalina read aloud the following Proclamations into the record:

**League of Women Voters of Monroe Township 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
May 2018**

**Israel and El Al Commemoration Day  
May 14, 2018**

Council President Dalina opened the Annual Human Relations Commission Ceremony honoring and presenting Awards to those students who have been selected by their teachers as exemplifying the 6 Pillars of Character: Caring, Responsibility, Respect, Fairness, Citizenship and Trustworthiness.

Mayor Tamburro quickly added that this past year the Township lost a very important person who has passed away and was involved in this Commission, Secretary Claire Juraska. He also noted that due to a more strenuous work schedule, former Chair Lt. Robinson has resigned.

Council President Dalina turned the Program over to Kam Kaila, Chair of the Human Relations Commission and Council Vice-President Schneider. Kam Kaila thanked everyone for coming out to support these outstanding students and thanked the Mayor and Council for their support, all the teachers, administrators and especially the parents for raising, guiding and empowering these amazing children.



Kam Kaila, Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider and Mayor Tamburro presented Awards to the following students:

Barclay Brook:

Pre-K: Srishiti Binu  
 Kindergarten: Ava Mioduszewski  
 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Austin Middleton  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Hari Pandya

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MTHS:

Freshman: Jacob Weiss  
 Sophomore: Kylie-Ann Ferandes  
 Junior: Nicholas Benzi  
 Senior: Ritik Patel

Mayor Tamburro extended congratulations to all of the students and their parents for their hard work.

Council President Dalina congratulated all of the award recipients and invited them all to come forward for pictures. A fifteen-minute recess was taken and the meeting was recalled to order at 7:40pm.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, the **CLAIMS** per run date of **04/26/2018** were approved for payment as presented.

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the **MINUTES** of the **April 9, 2018 Regular Meeting** were approved as written and presented.

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Council President Dalina asked Councilman Dipierro if he had a comment regarding this Ordinance #O-4-2018-012; Councilman Dipierro explained that this will help all of the non-profit organizations in the Township so they are exempt from paying the fees for building permits. He thanked the Mayor and Council, as well as, the Clerk's Office and the Township Attorney for their help in getting this Ordinance moved forward.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second reading for final passage:  
**O-4-2018-012 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 25 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, ENTITLED "CONSTRUCTION CODES, UNIFORM" TO EXEMPT IMPROVEMENTS MADE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY FROM FEES.**

**ORDINANCE** as follows: (O-4-2018-012)

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-126b, permits a municipal governing body to provide, by ordinance, for the waiver of construction permit and enforcing agency fees for construction of improvements contracted for or conducted by or on behalf of the municipality within its boundaries; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council of the Township of Monroe has determined that it is in the public interest to waive construction permit fees and enforcing agency fees for construction of improvements on or to public property;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Chapter 25 of the Monroe Township Code, entitled "Construction Codes, Uniform," be amended and supplemented as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 25 of the Code of the Township of Monroe shall be amended as follows:

(New section) Chapter 25-4.

(A). Definitions.

"Construction permit fee" means a municipal fee or charge to secure a construction permit for the erection or alteration of any building or part thereof.

"Enforcing agency fee" means a fee for plan review, construction permit, certificate of occupancy, demolition permit, moving of building permit, elevator permit and sign permit.

"Public property" means land and improvements exempt from taxation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.3.

(B). Waiver of fees.

Construction permit fees and enforcing agency fees shall not be required for the construction of improvements designed, undertaken and approved by Monroe Township by charitable, philanthropic, fraternal, athletic, recreational and religious nonprofit organizations holding tax exempt status under 26 U.S.C. § 501 (c) or (d) on or to public property in Monroe.

**SECTION 2.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 3.** If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, 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.

No Public Comment.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption:

**O-4-2018-012 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 25 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, ENTITLED "CONSTRUCTION CODES, UNIFORM" TO EXEMPT IMPROVEMENTS MADE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY FROM FEES.**

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.  
O-4-2018-012

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Baskin, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second reading for final passage:  
**O-4-2018-013 ORDINANCE ACCEPTING DEEDS FOR THE PUMP STATION SITE NO. 13 AT REGENCY AT MONROE.**

**ORDINANCE** as follows: (O-4-2018-013)

**WHEREAS**, Toll NJ II, LP is the owner of real property in Monroe Township known as the Regency at Monroe for which it has received development approval from the Monroe Township Planning Board; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Planning Board's approval, Toll NJ II, LP is required to dedicate to the Township of Monroe certain land where a pump station is located, as well as easements for sanitary sewer lines and for access to the pump station; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Utility Department has reviewed the metes and bounds descriptions and maps for the deeds and has found them to be in conformity with the approved development and recommends acceptance thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Attorney has reviewed the deeds and found them to be legally sufficient; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has determined that accepting the deeds is in the public interest;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor, Township Clerk and Township Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps and execute any documents which are reasonably necessary to accept the deeds from Toll NJ II, LP.

**SECTION 2.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 3.** If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, 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.

No Public Comment.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Baskin, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption:  
**O-4-2018-013 ORDINANCE ACCEPTING DEEDS FOR THE PUMP STATION SITE NO. 13 AT REGENCY AT MONROE.**

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
	Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
	Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.  
O-4-2018-013

**Councilman Dipierro** excused himself from **O-4-2018-014** and left the room.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second reading for final passage:  
**O-4-2018-014 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "LAND DEVELOPMENT" REGARDING MULCH PROCESSING.**

**ORDINANCE** as follows: (O-4-2018-014)

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 108 of the Monroe Township Land Use Ordinance be amended and supplemented as follows:

**SECTION 1.**

**Chapter 108, Article II, § 108-2.3** "Terms defined" is amended in part to read as follows:

**AGRICULTURE** – The production, storage, keeping, harvesting, grading, packaging, processing, boarding or maintenance, for sale, lease, or use of plants and animals useful to humans, including but not limited to: forage and sod crops; grain and seed crops; dairy animals and dairy products; poultry and poultry products; livestock, including beef cattle, sheep, swine, horses, ponies, mules, or goats or any mutations or hybrids thereof, including the breeding and grazing of any or all of such animals; bees and apiary products; fur animals; trees and forest products, except mulch processing; fruits of all kinds, including grapes, nuts, and berries; vegetables; nursery, floral, ornamental, and greenhouse products; or lands devoted to a soil conservation or forestry management program.

**MULCH** – Organic material derived from tree branches, tree limbs, tree trunks, brush and wood chips derived from tree parts used as ground cover.

**MULCH PROCESSING** – Industrial activities which result in the creation of mulch, including but not limited to the treatment and transformation of source material. Processing includes, but is not limited to, cutting, crushing, grinding, shredding and removing contaminants from source material.

**MULCH PROCESSING FACILITY** – Areas or sites where mulch processing occurs. Mulch processing facilities may also include wholesale sales space, office space, equipment and vehicles, equipment and vehicle storage, storage of materials associated with mulch processing.

**PROCESSING EVENT** -- Mulch processing for no more than fourteen consecutive days during a two-week period occurring on quarterly basis four times per year.

**SOURCE MATERIAL** – Tree branches, tree limbs, tree trunks, brush and wood chips derived from tree parts.

## **SECTION 2.**

**Chapter 108, Article VI, §108-6.7(D)** “R-3A Residential-Agricultural District” is amended in part to read as follows:

### **§108-6.7 R-3A Residential-Agricultural District.**

D. Conditional uses requiring a conditional use permit, subject to the provisions of Article VII of this chapter.

- (1) Farm stand or market.
- (2) Parks, playgrounds and other public recreation facilities not operated by Monroe Township.
- (3) Home occupations.
- (4) Nursery, landscaping and horticulture.
- (5) Public utility installations.
- (6) Community residences for the developmentally disabled.
- (7) Satellite antennas.
- (8) Mulch processing facilities.

## **SECTION 3.**

**Chapter 108, Article VI, §108-6.27(D)** “RR-FLP Rural Residential – Farmland Preservation District” is amended to read as follows:

### **§108-6.27 RR-FLP Rural Residential-Farmland Preservation District.**

D. Conditional uses requiring a conditional use permit, subject to the provisions of Article VII of this chapter.

- (1) Farm stand or market.
- (2) Parks, playgrounds and other public or private recreation facilities not operated by Monroe Township.
- (3) Annual membership clubs, including country, golf, tennis and swim clubs.
- (4) Quasi-public uses.
- (5) [Repealed 4-7-14 by Ord. No. O-4-2014-004]
- (6) [Repealed 4-7-14 by Ord. No. O-4-2014-004]
- (7) Nursery, landscaping and horticulture.
- (8) Public utility installations.
- (9) Community residences for the developmentally disabled.
- (10) Satellite antennas.

- (11) Mulch processing facilities.

#### **SECTION 4.**

**Chapter 108, Article VII, §108-7.2** “Standards of approval” is amended to read as follows:

##### **§ 108-7.2. Standards of approval.**

- A. The following standards and conditions are required to be met in order to receive Approving Authority approval for specific conditional uses as indicated:
  - (1) Extended, intermediate and long-term care facilities and hospitals shall adhere to the following:
    - (a) A statement setting forth the need for any particulars on the operation of the structures or use shall be filed with the approving board.
    - (b) The property proposed to be occupied by the use shall have a minimum lot area of five (5) acres, minimum front, rear and side yard areas shall be one hundred (100) feet and the maximum lot coverage shall not exceed twenty-five percent (25%).
    - (c) The height of structures may exceed the maximum height requirements of § 108-6.4 provided, however, that the front, rear and side yard requirements set forth above shall be increased by one (1) foot for each foot by which the height of the structure exceeds the maximum height which would be otherwise permitted by this chapter, and further provided that in no case shall any proposed structure exceed fifty (50) feet in height.
  - (2) Fraternal social and civil associations shall adhere to the following:
    - (a) A statement setting forth the need for the use and a complete list of the proposed charter membership, including names and resident addresses shall be filed with the approving board.
    - (b) The proposed use is a bona fide not-for-profit organization operated solely for the recreation and enjoyment of the members of said organization.
    - (c) All regulations for the zoning district in which the use is to be located shall be complied with, except that the minimum lot area shall be not less than three (3) acres. Not more than twenty percent (20%) of the land area shall be covered by structures.
    - (d) No building, structure or active recreation facilities shall be located within one hundred (100) feet of an adjacent residential property line.
    - (e) Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of this chapter.
    - (f) Where parking areas are adjacent to a residential zone or use, a twenty-five (25) foot buffer strip, including fences and shrubs, no less than six (6) feet high shall be provided.
    - (g) A landscape buffer strip twenty (20) feet in width shall be provided along any road frontage, and along any side or rear lot line that abuts a residential zone. The buffer strip shall consist of shade trees, perennial-planting beds, annual flowerbeds or a combination thereof so installed as to provide a landscape buffer between properties per §108-8.1.
  - (3) Quasi-public uses: churches, synagogues, parish houses and similar religious uses, including parochial and private schools shall adhere to the following:
    - (a) All regulations for the zoning district in which the use is to be located shall be complied with, except that the minimum lot area shall be not less than forty thousand (40,000) square feet, the side yards shall be not less than twenty-five (25) feet each, and all other yard requirements shall be complied with.
    - (b) Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of this Article.
    - (c) Where parking areas are adjacent to a residential zone, a twenty-five (25) foot wide buffer strip, including fences and shrubs, no less than six (6) feet high shall be provided.
    - (d) A landscape buffer strip twenty (20) feet in width shall be provided along any road frontage, and along any side or rear lot line that abuts a residential zone. The buffer strip shall consist of shade trees, perennial-planting beds, annual flowerbeds or a combination thereof, so installed as to provide a landscape buffer between properties per §108-8.1.
  - (4) Public utility installations. Public utility uses and installations, above and below ground, such as transmission lines, telephone booster stations, gas metering stations, water storage tanks, pumping stations, substations and similar installations, but not service or storage yards, shall provide the municipal agency with the following:
    - (a) A set of plans, specifications and plot plans and a statement setting forth the need and purpose of the installation.

- (b) Proof is furnished to the municipal agency that the proposed installation in a specific location is necessary and convenient for the efficiency of the public utility system or the satisfactory and convenient provision of service by the utility to the neighborhood or area in which the particular use is to be located, further provided that the design of any building in connection with such facility conforms to the general character of the zone and will in no way adversely affect the safe and comfortable enjoyment of property rights of the zone in which it is located, that adequate and attractive fences and other safety devices will be provided and that sufficient landscaping, including shrubs, trees and lawn, will be provided and periodically maintained.
- (c) All other requirements for the zone in which the use is to be located shall apply.
- (d) A landscape buffer strip twenty (20) feet in width shall be provided along any road frontage, and along any side or rear lot line that abuts a residential zone. The buffer strip shall consist of shade trees, perennial-planting beds, annual flowerbeds or a combination thereof so installed as to provide a landscape buffer between properties per §108-8.1.
- (e) Utility distribution or collection lines for water, gas, sewerage, electric and telephone services which are located in a public street or which provide service to private property in Monroe Township are exempt from this section.
- (5) Nursery, landscaping and horticulture shall adhere to the following:
  - (a) With the exception of landscape plants, shrubs and trees, all materials shall be contained within a fully enclosed building or an enclosure with at least three (3) solid sides with a height of six (6) feet and an opening that is not visible to the public and from adjacent lots viewed from front, side and rear yards, except that open storage and sales areas may be maintained in a side or rear yard, provided that such open storage and sales areas are contiguous to the building and are encircled by a fence or wall of a design which is homogeneous to the adjacent building.
  - (b) A six (6)-foot high solid two-sided fence shall be so designed as to screen all materials and supplies, except plant materials, from public view. All other sections of the fence ordinance shall apply.
  - (c) All regulations for the zoning district in which the use is to be located shall be complied with, except that the minimum lot area shall be not less than five (5) acres, the maximum percentage of impervious lot coverage shall not exceed twenty percent (20%), the maximum floor area ratio shall not exceed ten one-hundredths (0.10), and the maximum gross floor area of the building used for retail sales shall not exceed one thousand (1,000) square feet.
  - (d) Plant materials may be displayed openly in any yard except within required side and rear yard buffers as required by the zoning district in which the use is to be located. Plant material displayed within a front yard shall be set back at least twenty (20) feet from the street right-of-way line.
  - (e) Off-street parking for employees shall be provided at the rate of one (1) space per two (2) employees.
  - (f) Landscaping and horticulture nurseries that have retail sales of landscape plants, shrubs and trees and landscaping materials shall provide off-street parking for patrons at the rate of two (2) spaces per one (1) acre of lot area used for the production of landscape plant material, storage of landscape material and sale of landscaping plants and landscaping materials for retail sales. In addition, one (1) parking space per two hundred fifty (250) square feet of gross floor area of retail building space shall be provided.
  - (g) Trucks and equipment shall be stored in buildings or enclosed by a solid eight (8) foot high fence which shall not be located within a front, side or rear yard setback required by the zoning district in which the use is to be located.
- (6) Swimming pool sales, boat and marine equipment sales, and nonmotorized recreation equipment sales shall adhere to the following:
  - (a) All materials shall be contained within a building, except that open storage and sales area may be maintained in a side or rear yard, provided that such open storage and sales areas are contiguous to the building.
  - (b) All other requirements of the zone in which the use is located shall apply.
- (7) Automotive gasoline stations, automotive repair garages, automotive service stations, automotive sales and service facilities shall adhere to the following:
  - (a) Setbacks. Where a yard adjoins a residential property, the commercial use shall maintain not less than a fifty (50) feet setback from the boundary of a residential property.
  - (b) Canopies. A cantilevered cover or canopy may be permitted to extend into the front yard, provided that it is at least thirty (30) feet from any front property line and maintains the required setback of the zone.

- (c) Curb cuts and driveways.
  - [1] On a corner lot, a driveway shall be at least twenty-five (25) feet from the street intersection as measured along the right-of-way line.
  - [2] Driveways shall be no less than twenty-five (25) feet and no more than thirty (30) feet wide as measured along the right-of-way line. The driveway shall be flared or slanted at the curb line to facilitate auto ingress and egress.
  - [3] Curb cuts shall be no less than ten (10) feet from any adjacent property line extended to the curb line.
  - [4] Any two (2) driveways giving access to a single street shall be separated by a curbed island of at least twenty (20) feet.
  - [5] A raised curb of at least six (6) inches in height shall be provided along the street property lines, except for drive-way openings.
  - [6] There shall not be more than two (2) curb cuts providing access to any one (1) street.
- (d) Signs.
  - [1] Freestanding signs. One (1) free-standing sign shall be permitted, provided that the aggregate area of all sides of the sign shall not exceed forty (40) square feet.
  - [2] Façade signs. Façade signs shall be allowed on front or side façades so as not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the square footage of the façade on which it is located.
  - [3] Other signs. Other signs that may be required by state or federal law shall be allowed, but no other advertising signs shall be permitted.
  - [4] All other sign requirements of this chapter shall apply.
  - [5] In the case of a multi-use facility, only one (1) freestanding sign per facility in total shall be permitted. The placement of individual signs for individual uses shall not be permitted.
- (e) Lighting. All lighting shall be so designed, arranged and installed as to reflect all light down and away from adjoining properties and streets and highways. No strings of multiple lights shall be permitted.
- (f) Pavement. All parking, access and driveway areas shall be paved with a permanent surface, such as macadam, with proper drainage so as not to affect adjacent property owners.
- (g) Location of pumps (automotive gasoline stations and automotive repair garages only). All pump islands shall be a minimum of forty (40) feet from any adjacent property line, fifty (50) feet if a residential zone, and forty (40) feet from any public right-of-way.
- (h) Accessory buildings.
  - [1] All lifts, lubrication equipment, service pits and goods for sale shall be enclosed within the service stations. With the exception of those items, wiper blades, oil and tires, outdoor displays of products for sale or rental shall not be permitted, except for the temporary storage of trash or garbage.
  - [2] Convenience retail sales ancillary to gasoline service stations may be permitted in accessory buildings having a gross floor area that shall not exceed seven thousand (7,000) square feet. All products for sale shall be within the convenience retail building.
- (i) Accessory uses.
  - [1] The sale or rental of cars, trucks, trailers, boats or any other vehicles on the premises of an automotive gasoline station, automotive repair garage, automotive service station, automotive sales and service facility shall be prohibited.
  - [2] The storage of cars, trucks, trailers, boats or any other vehicles not being serviced or repaired on the premises of an automotive gasoline station, automotive repair garage, automotive service station, automotive sales and service facility shall be prohibited.
  - [3] All other activities are prohibited, including trailer or motor vehicle rentals. Storage of any vehicle requiring body work, or which is inoperable because of major repairs required, shall not be permitted, except at an automotive gasoline station, automotive repair garage, automotive service station, automotive sales and service facility.
  - [4] The storage of inoperable vehicles, classified as junk cars, or those not currently registered with the State of New Jersey shall not be permitted.
- (j) Trash and garbage. A solid enclosed area shall be provided for the temporary storage of trash, garbage and unusable automotive parts. Except for tires, all trash shall be

stored in tight containers. The enclosed area shall be so designed that the trash shall not be seen from a public street or from adjoining properties.

- (k) Fuel tanks. Underground fuel storage tanks shall comply with all state and federal requirements.
  - (l) Landscaping buffers and screening shall be provided as follows:
    - [1] In all zones where the above automotive services are permitted as a conditional use, the following mini-mum requirements shall be met:
      - [a] A minimum landscaped area twenty (20) feet wide shall be provided along all property lines abutting public streets, except where curb cuts are permitted.
      - [b] All buffers and landscaped areas shall be protected from adjacent parking areas by curbs, or concrete, metal or wood bumpers at least six (6) inches in height and securely anchored into the ground.
      - [c] Service areas and parking areas shall be screened from abutting property. A minimum of a six (6) foot high architecturally solid fence shall be erected on all property lines, except the front property line.
      - [d] All street trees and on-site deciduous shade trees shall conform to the requirements of the Monroe Township Shade Tree Commission.
  - (m) Parking. There shall be four (4) parking spaces for each repair bay, plus one (1) space for each employee on the maximum shift, with a maximum of six (6) vehicles stored in public view.
  - (n) Service stations shall be subject to all other requirements of the zone in which they are located and to all laws of the municipality.
  - (o) The use and parking of tow trucks shall be limited to three (3) per automotive service station or automotive sales and service facility or automotive gasoline station and shall be unlimited for an automotive repair garage.
- (8) Car washes shall adhere to the following:
- (a) All other regulations for the district in which the use is to be located shall be complied with, except that the minimum lot area for a car wash shall be not less than eighty thousand (80,000) square feet.
  - (b) Such use shall provide an adequate off-street automobile stacking area which shall not be less than twenty (20) spaces per bay. Such stacking system shall in no way hinder or impair normal traffic flow on adjoining property or public rights-of-way. In addition, one (1) parking space per employee on the maximum shift shall be required.
  - (c) Approval of the Municipal Engineer regarding utilities and drainage and the Department of Health regarding performance standards shall be required.
  - (d) A landscape buffer strip twenty (20) feet in width shall be provided along any road frontage, and along any side or rear lot line that abuts a residential zone. The buffer strip shall consist of shade trees, perennial planting beds, annual flowerbeds or a combination thereof so installed as to provide a landscape buffer between properties per §108-8.1.
- (9) Community residences for the developmentally disabled. Community residences for the developmentally disabled as defined in this Chapter shall adhere to the following:
- (a) A set of building and floor plans, specifications and plot plan shall be submitted to the municipal agency.
  - (b) A statement outlining the proposed use and purpose shall be submitted describing the types of services to be rendered to the residents of the facility, as well as the credentials and training of the personnel to be employed at the facility and the number of individuals who will reside therein.
  - (c) A site plan pursuant to the requirements of this chapter shall be submitted.
  - (d) The structure shall conform to all of the yard, area and height requirements of this chapter.
  - (e) Off-street parking shall be provided in the side or rear yard areas at the rate of one (1) space for each staff member as described above, in addition to one (1) space for each group of three (3) residents, or fraction thereof. Said parking area shall provide a minimum of a ten (10) foot wide buffer area along all adjacent residential property lines.
  - (f) Each resident shall be supplied with a single bedroom of not less than two hundred (200) square feet, and a minimum total living area per resident shall be four hundred (400) square feet. In addition, one (1) bathroom with a toilet, tub, shower and basin shall be provided for each group of two (2) residents, or fraction thereof.



- (g) In no case shall a community residence for the developmentally disabled be permitted within one thousand five hundred (1,500) feet of another such use or if the number of developmentally disabled and mentally ill persons resident within such facilities in the municipality exceeds fifty (50) persons or five-tenths percent (0.5%) of the municipal population, whichever is greater, or if the granting of such conditional use will cause the number of the developmentally disabled or mentally ill persons resident in such community residences to exceed the aforementioned maximum number for such persons in the municipality.
- (10) Amusement centers. Amusement centers shall adhere to the following:
  - (a) A set of building plans and floor plans, including the number of locations of all coin-operated amusement devices, specifications and plot plan shall be submitted to the municipal agency.
  - (b) A site plan pursuant to the requirements of this chapter shall be submitted.
  - (c) Amusement centers shall not be located within five hundred (500) feet of a religious institution, library or school offering courses in public education.
  - (d) Amusement centers shall be operated entirely within an enclosed building and shall be provided with self-closing doors.
  - (e) Not more than two (2) coin-operated amusement devices shall be permitted for each one hundred (100) square feet of gross floor area dedicated to such use.
  - (f) Off-street parking shall be provided at the ratio of one (1) space for each one hundred (100) square feet of gross floor area dedicated to such use.
  - (g) Amusement centers may be established as an accessory activity to a permitted commercial use, except that not more than twenty percent (20%) of the gross floor area may be utilized for such purpose. Where such accessory use is proposed, it shall be physically separated from the principal use by a floor-to-ceiling solid partition.
  - (h) All other requirements of this Article shall apply.
- (11) Commercial recreation activities. Commercial recreation uses and activities, as herein defined, may be permitted in the following manner:

<b>Use or Activity</b>	<b>Zone</b>
Miniature golf	R-60 & R-3A
Golf driving ranges	R-60 & R-3A
Tennis courts	R-60 & R-3A
Gymnasiums and athletic clubs	H-D
Swimming pools	H-D
Billiards and pool rooms	N-C

- (a) If proposed as freestanding structures on site it must meet the minimum bulk regulations for the zone in which it is located.
- (b) Ingress and egress for the parking areas shall be limited to the minimum required to properly handle the volume of traffic anticipated to be attracted by the use. Wherever said driveways are located on a state highway, acceleration and deceleration lanes shall be provided.
- (c) Wherever the property abuts or is across the street from a residential zone, a buffer area shall be established conforming to the requirements set forth in this chapter.
- (d) All signs shall conform to permitted signs in commercial zoning districts.
- (12) Satellite antennas shall adhere to the following:
  - (a) All satellite antenna installations shall be permitted in all zoning districts subject to the following and shall require a construction permit.
  - (b) Satellite antennas shall be considered an accessory building and shall be located to the rear of the front building line of the principal building.
  - (c) Satellite antennas shall be permitted as ground installations only.
  - (d) Satellite antennas may be installed on lots only where a principal building exists.
  - (e) A maximum of one (1) satellite antenna dish shall be permitted per lot.
  - (f) Only antennas constructed with a wire mesh type dish shall be permitted.
  - (g) The antenna dish shall not exceed twelve (12) feet at its widest point.
  - (h) The overall height of the antenna assembly shall not exceed fifteen (15) feet. This height shall be measured from grade with the dish facing at zero (0) to horizontal.

- (i) The pedestal base to the antenna shall be located at a distance equal to the maximum overall height of the antenna plus one (1) foot from any side or rear property line.
  - (j) Wiring between the principal building and the antenna shall be underground and at least eighteen (18) inches below finish grade.
  - (k) Antennas shall be screened by fencing or shrubbery of a suitable height to reduce motor drive noise and to minimize the visual impact from the street and the adjacent properties.
- (13) Regional shopping centers shall adhere to the following:
- (a) A minimum lot area of twenty-five (25) acres shall be required and meet all the requirements of Article VI of this chapter.
  - (b) Not more than sixty percent (60%) of impervious surface shall be permitted for any site.
  - (c) Must provide traffic study for internal and external traffic.
  - (d) All proposed retail uses shall conform to the bulk standards of their respective zones.
  - (e) Not more than twenty percent (20%) of the required parking shall be permitted in a front yard. All other requirements of this chapter shall apply.
  - (f) All buildings will have a break in façade at least every forty (40) feet.
  - (g) Landscaping and buffering shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of this chapter.
  - (h) Storm drainage and utilities shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of this chapter.
  - (i) Proposed signs shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of this chapter.
  - (j) Lighting shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of this chapter.
- (14) Community shopping centers shall adhere to the following:
- (a) A minimum lot area of fifteen (15) acres shall be required.
  - (b) A maximum lot area of twenty (20) acres shall be permitted.
  - (c) A minimum lot width and frontage of five hundred (500) feet shall be required.
  - (d) A minimum lot depth of five hundred (500) feet shall be required.
  - (e) The maximum permitted gross floor area shall be 0.30.
  - (f) The maximum permitted impervious coverage of the lot shall be sixty percent (60%).
  - (g) Setback. Where a yard adjoins a residential use or zone, the building, accessory structures and parking and loading areas shall be set back at least sixty-five (65) feet from the property line that forms the boundary with the residential use or zone.
  - (h) Landscape buffer area. A landscape buffer area shall have a width of sixty-five (65) feet for the yard that adjoins a residential use or zone and twenty-five (25) feet for all yards that adjoin nonresidential uses or zones. The design of the buffer area shall comply with requirements set forth in § 108-6.29.H., except for the width of the buffer areas adjoining residential and nonresidential uses and zone as required herein.
  - (i) Not more than twenty percent (20%) of the required parking shall be permitted in a front yard. All other requirements of this chapter shall apply.
  - (j) All buildings shall have a break in the façade at least every forty (40) feet.
- (15) Neighborhood shopping centers shall adhere to the following:
- (a) A minimum lot area of three (3) acres shall be required.
  - (b) A maximum lot area of five (5) acres shall be permitted.
  - (c) A minimum lot width and frontage of five hundred (500) feet shall be required.
  - (d) A minimum lot depth of two hundred (200) feet shall be required.
  - (e) The maximum permitted gross floor area shall be 0.30.
  - (f) The maximum permitted impervious coverage of the lot shall be sixty percent (60%).
  - (g) Setback. Where a yard adjoins a residential use or zone, the building, accessory structures and parking and loading areas shall be set back at least sixty-five (65) feet from the property line that forms the boundary with the residential use or zone.
  - (h) Landscape buffer area. A landscape buffer area shall have a width of sixty-five (65) feet for the yard that adjoins a residential use or zone and twenty-five (25) feet for all yards that adjoin nonresidential uses or zones. The design of the buffer area shall comply with requirements set forth in § 108-6.17.H., except for the width of the buffer areas adjoining residential and nonresidential uses and zone as required herein.

- (i) Not more than twenty percent (20%) of the required parking shall be permitted in a front yard. All other requirements of this chapter shall apply.
  - (j) All buildings shall have a break in the façade at least every forty (40) feet.
- (16) Farm stands. Farm stands shall adhere to the following:
- (a) The farm stand must be located on an active farm or farmland.
  - (b) The farm stand requires site plan approval.
  - (c) The farm stand shall comply with all requirements of the zoning district in which it is located.
- (17) Home occupations shall adhere to the following:
- (a) Such uses are confined to not more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the habitable floor area of the principal structure.
  - (b) Not more than two (2) persons shall be employed in the home occupation or trade.
  - (c) The use shall comply with Articles IX and X of this chapter regarding parking and signs.
  - (d) There shall be a ten (10) foot buffer in accordance with Article VIII of this chapter.
  - (e) The use shall obtain site plan approval.
  - (f) The use shall comply with all the requirements of the respective zoning district.
- (18) Advertising structures shall adhere to the following:
- (a) An advertising structure shall be located within one hundred (100) feet of the New Jersey Turnpike right-of-way.
  - (b) The maximum area of the advertising surface shall be one thousand (1,000) feet on each side, its maximum height shall be twenty-five (25) feet and its maximum length shall be sixty (60) feet. All dimensions include border, trim, cutouts and extensions, but exclude decorative bases and supports. The overall height of the sign shall not exceed forty-five (45) feet from grade.
  - (c) The location and design of an advertising structure shall comply with N.J.S.A. 27:5-5 et seq. (P.L. 1991, c.413) entitled "Roadside Sign Control and Outdoor Advertising Act" and N.J.A.C. 16:41C-1.1 et seq. entitled "Chapter 41C, Roadside Sign Control and Outdoor Advertising Act" and any other regulations adopted thereunder.
  - (d) An advertising structure may contain an off-premises advertisement.
  - (e) Billboards shall be located no closer than one thousand (1,000) feet to a residential zone line or use including the PRC or PRGC zone.
- (19) Hotels and motor inns shall adhere to the following:
- (a) A minimum lot area of three (3) acres shall be required.
  - (b) A minimum lot width and frontage of three hundred (300) feet shall be required.
  - (c) A minimum lot depth of three hundred (300) feet shall be required.
  - (d) The maximum permitted gross floor area shall be 0.35.
  - (e) The maximum permitted impervious coverage of the lot shall be sixty percent (60%).
  - (f) Landscape buffer area. The landscape buffer area shall comply with § 108-6.19.H.
  - (g) Signage. One (1) freestanding sign in the form of a monument sign shall be permitted. The maximum height of the sign shall be eight (8) feet, and the maximum area of the sign shall be fifty (50) square feet. The sign shall be set back a minimum of ten (10) feet from the property line.
  - (h) Not more than fifty percent (50%) of the required parking shall be permitted in a front yard. All other requirements of this chapter shall apply.
- (20) Cabinet-making shop. Cabinet-making shops shall adhere to the following:
- (a) A minimum lot area of one (1) acre shall be required.
  - (b) No more than five percent (5%) of the gross floor area of the shop building shall be used for retail sales of cabinets manufactured in the premises of the shop building. Outdoor displays for retail sales are prohibited.
  - (c) Setback. Where a yard adjoins a residential use or zone, the building, accessory structures and parking and loading areas shall be set back at least sixty-five (65) feet from the property line that forms the boundary with the residential use or zone.
  - (d) The maximum permitted floor area ratio shall be 0.30.
  - (e) The maximum permitted impervious coverage of the lot shall be fifty-five percent (55%).

- (f) Landscape buffer area. A landscape buffer area shall have a width of sixty-five (65) feet for the yard that adjoins a residential use or zone and twenty-five (25) feet for all yards that adjoin nonresidential uses or zones. The design of the buffer area shall comply with requirements set forth in § 108-6.17.H., except for the width of the buffer areas adjoining residential and nonresidential uses and zone as required herein and the provision that fences and walls used for screening and noise reduction purposes shall be permitted within the buffer areas for side and rear yards.
- (21) Mulch processing facilities. Mulch processing facilities shall adhere to the following:
- (a) Mulch that is fully processed and ready for sale shall be contained within a fully enclosed building or an enclosure with at least three (3) solid sides and an opening that is not visible to the public and from adjacent lots viewed from front, side and rear yards. Open storage and sales areas may be maintained in a side or rear yard provided that such open storage and sales areas are contiguous to the building and are encircled by a fence or wall of a design which is homogeneous to the adjacent building.
  - (b) A six (6)-foot high, solid two-sided fence shall be so designed as to screen all materials and supplies from public view. All other sections of the fence ordinance shall apply.
  - (c) All regulations for the zoning district in which the use is to be located shall be complied with.
  - (d) Off-street parking for employees shall be provided at a rate of one (1) space per two (2) employees.
  - (e) Trucks and equipment shall be stored in buildings or enclosed by a solid eight (8)-foot high fence. Parking and storage areas for trucks and equipment shall not be located within a front, side or rear yard setback required by the zoning district in which the use is to be located.
  - (f) Mulch processing is restricted to the processing of Source Material derived from the processor's own tree service business activities.
  - (g) Mulch Processing Facilities shall comply with all applicable state, county and local rules and regulations, including all state, county and local regulations regarding the storage and use of hazardous substances, including but not limited to safe and secure containment of chemicals and dyes. The municipal zoning official shall have the authority to enforce any violation of any state, county or local regulation as a zoning violation, including but not limited to regulations regarding the storage and use of hazardous substances.
  - (h) Mulch processing facilities shall only process mulch between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and no mulch processing shall occur on Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.
  - (i) Mulch processing facilities that are exempt from obtaining approval as a recycling center from the Department of Environmental Protection shall limit their mulch processing operations as follows:
    - (i) Only the amount of unprocessed Source Material which the equipment on-site or as may be readily available is capable of processing within a one-week period up to a maximum of 7,500 cubic yards may be stored on-site;
    - (ii) Storage of processed material on-site shall not exceed one year;
    - (iii) Storage of processed material on-site shall not exceed 7,500 cubic yards; and
    - (iv) Processing is limited to four times per year on a quarterly basis, and each processing event shall be limited to a two-week time period, unless prior approval is received from the Township.
    - (v) A Mulch Processing Facility shall notify the zoning official at least 48 hours prior to commencement of mulch processing of the date when the processing event will begin and the date when the processing event will end.

- (vi) Mulch Processing Facilities shall be responsible for keeping a log indicating the dates and hours of mulch processing at the facility, which information shall be reported to the municipal zoning official on the first day of the month following a month when mulch processing has been conducted at the facility.
  
- (j) Mulch piles shall be turned on a regular basis to protect against spontaneous combustion. The turning of mulch piles shall not be considered a processing event, and, except in extraordinary circumstances for safety reasons, shall be conducted between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday excepting legal holidays.

**SECTION 5.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 6.** If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

**SECTION 7.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

**SO ORDAINED** as aforesaid.

**Roger West Jr., 34K Locust Dr.** – Mr. West stated that he has been involved in the mulch industry for decades and is concerned that the proposed ordinance is very overwhelming to the industry and asked if there is a different avenue that could be taken. He added that he is aggravated because he feels the Township is trying to stop mulch from being manufactured in a Township that is booming with development. He is concerned that in calling the Township a “Recycle Coach”, as it states on the website, he feels we are kicking the mulch industry in the face by singling them out. Council President Dalina explained that it was brought to our attention over the last two years from many residents who have come to meetings and have reached out to professionals concerned of overextension of the mulching process, noise, smell and sounds throughout many areas of the town with a major concern being with the hours. Mr. West stated that “many of the city slickers who have come into this Township want to kick the country boys out” and those in the industry work with the farmers and Rutgers and have worked hard in this Township for decades long before they have been on Council.

Councilman Baskin asked what Mr. West’s proposal would be; Council President Dalina stated that the public hearing is now over and the Council is now voting on the ordinance.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption:  
**O-4-2018-014 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED “LAND DEVELOPMENT” REGARDING MULCH PROCESSING.**

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
Councilman Charles Dipierro	Abstain
Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.  
O-4-2018-014

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second reading for final passage:  
**O-4-2018-015 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK.**

**ORDINANCE** as follows: (O-4-2018-015)

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 0.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to **3.5%** over the previous year’s final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, finds its advisable and necessary to increase its **CY 2018** Budget by up to **3.5%** over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council hereby determines that a **1.0%** increase in the budget for said year, amounting to **\$383,021.70** in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinbelow that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** In the **CY 2018** budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Monroe shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to **\$1,340,575.96**, and that the **CY 2018** municipal budget for the Township of Monroe be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

**SECTION 2.** Any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as a exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**SECTION 3.** A certified copy of this ordinance, as introduced, be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within five days of introduction; and

**SECTION 4.** A certified copy of this ordinance, upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

**SECTION 5.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be the same and are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 6.** 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 7.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

No Public Comment.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption:  
**O-4-2018-015 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK.**

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
	Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
	Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.  
O-4-2018-015

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Councilman Baskin, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for Final Passage: **O-5-2018-016 ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO THE 2015 – 2018 SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL SALARY AND WAGE ORDINANCE.**

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
	Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
	Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.  
O-4-2018-016

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for Final Passage:

**O-5-2018-017 ORDINANCE ACKNOWLEDGING MONROE TOWNSHIP'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF PERRINEVILLE ROAD (CR625) AND FEDERAL ROAD.**

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.  
O-4-2018-017

Council President Dalina requested a one-minute recess due to a technical difficulty. The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:52pm.

Council President Dalina called upon Mayor Tamburro to comment on the budget; Mayor Tamburro stated that the budget address was presented several months ago and this is the 9<sup>th</sup> consecutive year where we have received flat State Aid. The Homestead Rebate has also been reduced subsequently putting a greater burden on our residents. Our tax collection rate is 99% which is great and because of that our bond rating is AA+ and we have a significantly reduced borrowing rate. There has been an increase in violent attacks in the schools across the country and a cry from concerned residents and parents for increased police presence in our schools. Until the Board of Education could change their policy, off duty police officers have been working admirably at the schools and are being utilized as the first go to by the students who attend, but because of that the police budget has increased by \$450,000. Going forward we will be hiring three new police officers, one of which is a replacement and there will be no new hires for Township employees only replacements as needed. We have increased the library funding by \$100,000, explaining that there are many programs offered by our Library that require more than what the State allows us to give and we do not want those programs to be diminished so we gave them another \$100,000. In regards to professional services we continue to reduce costs by doing some in house and some we have changed the manner in how they are paid. Our tax increase over the last five years has been under 1% and we remain under the mandated 2% cap with no increase in water and sewer rates. We have money put into improving roadways and traffic patterns and grants coming in to pay for improvements on Spotswood Avenue and Ellingham Avenue which has been paid for by a state grant. Water main improvements will be done on Monmouth Road as well. The extreme weather patterns have contributed to the need for maintaining our roads and will continue with the \$850,000 we have included in our Capital Budget. We continue to acquire Open Space and have changed the RFLP zones from 6 acres to 10 acres. We are proud of our services at the Recreation Department, DPW and the unparalleled Emergency Services Department we have. Our EMS has done approximately 10,000 calls this year and if you are a resident we accept what your insurance pays and for those out of town residents we do balanced billing. We are also recognized as one of the safest towns. We continue to work with the County, Fire Districts and Board of Education and we will continue our efforts in 2019. Lastly, Mayor Tamburro thanked CFO George Lang and his staff for their work on the budget, as well as, Council President Dalina, councilmembers and Administrator Weinberg for recognizing the issues that needed to be addressed in this budget and commented that he is looking forward to a successful year.

Administrator Weinberg reported as part of budget that the Township financial situation is very strong. We have reasonable surplus running through the budget; our tax collection rate is great and the debt service is reasonable. He noted that we do have some unexpected challenges in the fact that our police department has stepped up to provide security in the schools while the Board of Education develops policies to arm their retired police officers. We have continued to make the full pension payment and our employees are on step 4 of Chapter 78, which means we are fully invested in health benefits. As for the expenditures side, we have worked with Mayor Tamburro and Council. There is also no plan to hire new employees outside of the replacements needed in the police department. We have postponed construction on the new EMS and police complex, as well as, cut professional services. He extended thanks to the Utility Department for starting to use the EITC bank and water bank which is less than 1% financing for projects. The Township continues to utilize shared services and will look for more opportunities. The average tax payer will see an increase of \$58; municipal services cost \$1,500 which equates to 20% of the tax bill, the Board of Education counts for 56%, the County for 18% and the fire districts count for 6%. He credited the Mayor and Council for having the second lowest overall effective tax rate, as well as, thanking everyone who worked on the budget and to those who came to the hearings. Lastly, he mentioned that when he arrived to the Township he was given two messages which were to keep taxes low and continue to provide the excellent service and promote cooperation within government agencies.

Council President Dalina requested a Motion to open the Public Hearing on the 2018 Municipal Budget as introduced on April 9, 2018.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, the Public Hearing was opened on the 2018 Municipal Budget

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
	Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
	Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

**Hy Grossman, 15 Doral Dr.** – Mr. Grossman asked if the surplus amount is comfortable; Administrator Weinberg stated that we regenerate that consistently. CFO George Lang commented that we try to be conservative in the estimation of revenues and we try not to push those completely to allow us to build back the surplus, watch our spending, etc. He added that we feel comfortable with it. Mr. Grossman asked in regards to the appropriations side up by \$100,000, why did it need to be raised; CFO George Lang answered that we try to raise that every year because the overall tax amount does go up every year. Mr. Grossman then questioned miscellaneous revenues in water and sewer and asked why it is a lower number. Mr. Barnes answered that it was a very wet year and production was off by 3-4%. Mr. Grossman followed asking what the effect of the collection fees effects anything; Mr. Barnes answered that it has been pretty consistent. Mr. Grossman added that generally in terms of long range planning, master planning and having the responsibility of appointing people to the Planning and Zoning Boards who help make major decisions on the growth of the town, we need to anticipate unintended consequences when changes are approved in zoning and push for ratable growth.

**Roger West, 34K Locust Dr.** – Mr. West suggested that a way that the Township can save \$250,000 is to stop the litigation to try and shut down the mulch manufacturers. Council President Dalina stated that Mr. West would have an opportunity to voice his concerns at the end of the meeting in the other public portion, but for now, this public portion is strictly for budget questions.

**Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr.** – Mr. Parab stated that he had heard that the fire department makes up 6% of our taxes and wants to understand why it is so high and what expenses are going there; Administrator Weinberg stated that there are three separate fire districts and they operate separately from the town. He also noted that their budgets are online on their websites. Mayor Tamburro added that we collect the taxes for them.

**Gary Busman, 7 Monarch Rd.** – Mr. Busman commented that as an accountant who has been in the business for 50 years, he wants to thank the township for keeping the surplus as it is. He stated that it is his opinion that ‘if you want to run any successful business you need adequate reserves and without them you fail and thanked the Mayor and council for keeping the reserves high.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the Public Hearing on the 2018 Municipal Budget was closed.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
	Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
	Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Council President Dalina asked for a Motion and Second for Resolution **R-5-2018-127A** Authorizing the Budget Amendment.

**R-5-2018-127A                      RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the local municipal budget for the year 2018 was approved on the 9th day of April 2018, and

**WHEREAS**, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised, and

**WHEREAS**, it is desired to amend said approved budget, now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, that the following amendments to the approved budget of 2018 be made:



**Recorded  
 Vote**

	( Baskin	Abstained ( None
	Ayes ( Cohen	Nays ( None
Motion: Cohen	( Dalina	
Second: Baskin	( Dipierro	Absent ( None
	( Schneider	

**CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES**

**GENERAL REVENUES**

**Summary of Revenues**

		<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
6.	Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:		
(a)	Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	\$ 36,230,182.40	\$ 36,233,182.40
(c)	Minimum Library Tax	\$ 2,915,736.30	\$ 2,912,736.30
	<b>Total Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget</b>	<b>\$ 39,145,918.70</b>	<b>\$ 39,145,918.70</b>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services for her certification of the local municipal budget so amended.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Councilman Baskin, a Resolution to Amend the 2018 Municipal Budget as Introduced on April 9, 2018 was approved.

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin Aye  
 Councilwoman Miriam Cohen Aye  
 Councilman Charles Dipierro Aye  
 Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider Aye  
 Council President Stephen Dalina Aye

Council President Dalina asked for a Motion and Second for Resolution **R-5-2018-127B** to Adopt the 2018 Municipal Budget as Amended on May 7, 2018.

**R-5-2018-127B RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.**

**SECTION 2 - UPON ADOPTION FOR YEAR 2018**  
 (Only to be Included in the Budget as Finally Adopted)

**RESOLUTION R-5-2018-127B**

Be It Resolved by the TOWNSHIP of the MONROE, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

- (a) \$ 36,233,182.40 (Item 2 below) for municipal purposes, and
- (b) \$ - (Item 3 below) for school purposes in Type I School Districts only (N.J.S. 18A:9-2) to be raised by taxation and,
- (c) \$ - (Item 4 below) to be added to the certificate of amount to be raised by taxation for local school purposes in Type II School Districts only (N.J.S. 18A:9-3) and certification to the County Board of Taxation of the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.
- (d) \$ 1,141,000.00 (Sheet 43) Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Levy
- (e) \$ 2,912,736.30 (Item 5 below) Minimum Library Tax

<b>RECORDED VOTE</b>	(	(	Abstained (
(Insert last name)	Ayes (	Nays (	Absent (
	(	(	(
	(	(	Absent (

**SUMMARY OF REVENUES**

<b>1. General Revenues</b>		
Surplus Anticipated	08-100	\$ 8,100,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	13-099	\$ 10,061,955.12
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	15-499	\$ 1,550,000.00
<b>2. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)</b>	07-190	\$ 36,233,182.40
<b>3. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:</b>		
Item 6, Sheet 42	07-195	\$ -
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S. 40A:4-14)	07-191	\$ -
Total Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Schools in Type I School Districts Only		
\$ -		
<b>4. To Be Added TO THE CERTIFICATE FOR AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE II SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:</b>		
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S. 40A:4-14)	07-191	\$ -
<b>5. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION MINIMUM LIBRARY LEVY</b>		
	07-192	\$ 2,912,736.30
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>13-299</b>	<b>\$ 58,857,873.82</b>

**SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS**

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS		
<b>5. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS:</b>	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Within "CAPS"	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
(a&b) Operations Including Contingent	34-201	\$ 35,613,093.00
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal	34-209	\$ 5,048,391.70
(g) Cash Deficit	46-885	\$ -
Excluded from "CAPS"	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
(a) Operations - Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	34-305	\$ 7,183,968.12
(c) Capital Improvements	44-999	\$ 100,000.00
(d) Municipal Debt Service	45-999	\$ 7,027,421.00
(e) Deferred Charges - Municipal	46-999	\$ 35,000.00
(f) Judgments	37-480	\$ -
(n) Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools (N.J.S. 40:48-17.1 & 17.3)	29-405	\$ -
(g) Cash Deficit	46-885	\$ -
(k) For Local District School Purposes	29-410	\$ -
(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Include Other Reserves If Any)	50-899	\$ 3,850,000.00
<b>6. SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS - TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY (N.J.S. 40A:4-13)</b>	07-195	\$ -
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	34-499	\$ 58,857,873.82

It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Governing Body on the 7th day of May, 2018. It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as appeared in the 2018 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.

Certified by me this 7th day of May, 2018, \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk.  
 PATRICIA REID

\_\_\_\_\_  
 STEPHEN DALINA, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

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TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY - 2018 BUDGET

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, a Resolution to Adopt the 2018 Municipal Budget was approved.

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin Aye  
 Councilwoman Miriam Cohen Aye  
 Councilman Charles Dipierro Aye  
 Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider Aye  
 Council President Stephen Dalina Aye

**RESOLUTIONS for CONSIDERATION under the CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilman Dipierro requested that Resolutions **R-5-2018-156** and **R-5-2018-157** be removed from consideration under the Consent Agenda.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the following Resolutions were moved for Adoption under the **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**R-5-2018-128 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF CASH PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR W&S 908 – BLOCK 25, LOT 2.04 – CLEARBROOK COMMONS, PB#914-04 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Applegarth Rd. across from Clearbrook)**

**WHEREAS**, Applegarth Realty, LLC has posted a cash guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department (“MTUD”) for W&S 908; and

**WHEREAS**, Applegarth Realty, LLC has requested the release of the Performance Guarantee; and

**WHEREAS**, as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Monroe Township Council approve the request for release of the cash guarantee, as detailed in a letter dated 4-4-18, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

Cash Guarantee in the amount of \$2,430.00 be released in full to the developer.

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendation of the MTUD Director;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that Cash Guarantee posted for W&S 908 be released as reflected above and within the letter annexed hereto. This approval for release of cash guarantee is conditioned upon the resolution of any outstanding balances attached to the project escrow accounts; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Monroe Township Utility Department is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the developer, and to his attorney, if applicant has been represented by counsel in this matter.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-129                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR BLOCK 106.84, LOTS 1-48 W&S 1142 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Cottonwood Cr. – single lot)**

**WHEREAS**, Mary Jo Giancola has posted a Performance Guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department (“M.T.U.D.”) for W&S 1142, Blk.160.84, lots 1-48; and

**WHEREAS**, Mary Jo Giancola has requested the release of the Performance Guarantee upon posting and acceptance of a Maintenance Guarantee for sewer; and

**WHEREAS**, as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55Dd-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Township Council approve the release of the performance guarantee as detailed in a letter dated April 6, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and as shown herein below:

Cash performance guarantee in the amount of \$4,740.00 to be reduced and held as a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$639.90. (15% of original bond).

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendations of the M.T.U.D. Director;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that Performance Guarantees posted for Block 148, lot 1.03, be released upon establishment of maintenance guarantees as reflected above and in the M.T.U.D. letter annexed hereto. Release of the Performance Guarantee and acceptance of Maintenance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a Maintenance Guarantee and the payment of any outstanding balances attached to the project escrow accounts; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Monroe Township Utility Department is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the developer, and to his attorney, if applicant has been represented by counsel in this matter.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-131                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR BLOCK 148, LOT 1.03 – W&S 1175 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (480 Spotswood-Englishtown Rd – single lot)**

**WHEREAS**, Jose Morais has posted a Performance Guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department (“M.T.U.D.”) for W&S 1175, Blk.148, Lot 1.03; and

**WHEREAS**, Jose Morais has requested the release of the Performance Guarantee upon posting and acceptance of a Maintenance Guarantee for sewer; and

**WHEREAS**, as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55Dd-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Township Council approve the release of the performance guarantee as detailed in a letter dated April 3, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and as shown herein below:

Cash performance guarantee in the amount of \$6,240.00 to be reduced and held as a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$842.40. (15% of original bond).

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendations of the M.T.U.D. Director;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that Performance Guarantees posted for Block 148, lot 1.03, be released upon establishment of maintenance guarantees as reflected above and in the M.T.U.D. letter annexed hereto. Release of the Performance Guarantee and acceptance of Maintenance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a Maintenance Guarantee and the payment of any outstanding balances attached to the project escrow accounts; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Monroe Township Utility Department is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the developer, and to his attorney, if applicant has been represented by counsel in this matter.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-132                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO B & W CONSTRUCTION CO. OF N.J. INC. FOR CONTRACT 477 – “SYSTEM REPAIR SERVICES” FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Per unit pricing)**

**WHEREAS**, on April 19, 2018 three (3) sealed bids were received, and publicly opened and read aloud, by the Monroe Township Utility Department Purchasing Agent for Contract 477, System Repair Services, required by the M.T.U.D.

**WHEREAS**, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent, after review with the Director, has recommended in a letter dated April 23, 2018, that a contract be awarded to the low bidder B & W Construction Co. of NJ, Inc. of 224 Forsgate Drive Jamesburg, NJ 08831, based upon the *unit pricing and estimated quantities* contained within their bid documents upon final review by the Office of the Township Attorney, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-180021, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(d)(1)(ii), multi-year contracts entered into for periods in excess of twelve (12) months shall be certified and charged to the respective budgets in accordance with the time(s) at which the respective work or services are performed or liability for payment is otherwise incurred. Accordingly, commitments and payments required in excess of the initial twelve (12) months are contingent upon necessary funds being appropriated in future budgets by a subsequent governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of a one (1) year contract with two optional one (1) year extension terms with acceptance by B & W Construction Co. of NJ, Inc. for System Repair Services for Monroe Township Utility Department; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of a contract for the Monroe Township System Repair Services for twenty four (24) months per the unit price rates indicated in their proposal, and with the provision authorizing the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent to extend said contract for an additional 12 months, with the consent of the bidder; and

**WHEREAS**, B & W Construction Co. of NJ, Inc., has submitted, with their bid, all the required documents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

- (1) The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with B & W Construction Co. of NJ, Inc., in accordance with their bid;
- (2) The Township Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by B & W Construction Co. of NJ, Inc., in accordance with their bid;
- (3) The contract is awarded through the competitive bidding process as a fair and open contract in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law;
- (4) This contract is awarded with the stipulation that B & W Construction Co. of NJ, Inc., shall provide the required performance bond and insurance certificate as required by the specifications.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-133                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO A.C. SCHULTES, CO. FOR CONTRACT 478 – WELL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (Per unit pricing)**

**WHEREAS**, on April 19, 2018, one (1) sealed bid was received, and publicly opened and read aloud, by the Monroe Township Utility Department Purchasing Agent for Contract 478, “Well Maintenance and Repair Services”, required by the M.T.U.D.

**WHEREAS**, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent has reviewed the bid and consulted with the M.T.U.D. Director and has recommended by a letter dated April 19, 2018 that a two (2) year contract be awarded to the low bidder A. C. Schultes, Co. at 664 So. Evergreen Avenue Woodbury, NJ 09096, based upon the *unit pricing and estimated quantities* contained within their bid documents, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”; and

**WHEREAS** the Township Council has reviewed the recommendations made by the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent regarding said bid; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-180022, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, The A. C. Schultes, Co. has submitted all the required documents with their bid; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(d)(1)(ii), multi-year contracts entered into for periods in excess of twelve (12) months shall be certified and charged to the respective budgets in accordance with the time(s) at which the respective work or services are performed or liability for payment is otherwise incurred. Accordingly, commitments and payments required in excess of the initial twelve (12) months are contingent upon necessary funds being appropriated in future budgets by a subsequent governing body.

**WHEREAS**, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of a two (2) year contract with an option for an additional one (1) year extension term with acceptance by A. C. Schultes, Co. for Well Maintenance and Repair Services for Monroe Township Utility Department; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a (2) two year contract A. C. Schultes, Co. in accordance with their submitted bid;

(2) The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for material delivered by A. C. Schultes, Co. in accordance with their contract;

(3) The contracts are awarded through the competitive bidding process as a fair and open contract in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law;

(4) This contract is awarded with the stipulation that A. C. Schultes, Co. shall provide a properly executed certificate of insurance and performance bond, as required by the specifications.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-136                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO  
WSP USA FOR HYDROGEOLOGIC CONSULTING SERVICES  
FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT  
("M.T.U.D."). (2018 water sampling compliance \$17,000)**

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Utility Department (M.T.U.D.) seeks Professional Hydrogeological Consulting Services in relation to its need for management of 2018 water sampling compliance with the Safe Water Drinking Act; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 5, 2017 at 10:30 AM, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq, after advertisement on the M.T.U.D. website for not less than 10 days, Statements of Qualifications were publicly opened by the Township Business Administrator for calendar Year 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, after review of all the Statement of Qualifications by the review committee, Leggette, Brashears & Graham, Inc., who was acquired by WSP USA, was determined to be qualified to perform said services; and

**WHEREAS**, WSP USA has submitted a proposal dated April 20, 2018 to provide the said as-needed services required by the Monroe Township Utility Department at published rates submitted with their qualifications proposal , for an amount not to exceed Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000.00), a copy of which is attached as exhibit B; and

**WHEREAS**, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent, after consulting with the Director, by copy of a memo dated April 23, 2018, recommends the Council approve and award the contract to WSP USA, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-55, the Township Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No. M-180026 a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A";

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with WSP USA, for Professional Hydro-Geological Consulting Services, in accordance with the proposal attached hereto as Exhibit "B";

(2) The Township Chief Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by WSP USA in accordance with the attached proposal;

(3) The contract is awarded without competitive bidding through a fair and open RFQ process as a "professional service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for a service performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law;

(4) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-137                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO  
WSP USA FOR HYDROGEOLOGIC CONSULTING SERVICES  
FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT  
("M.T.U.D."). (Well and Groundwater Resources \$18,000)**

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Utility Department (M.T.U.D.) seeks Professional Hydrogeological Consulting Services in relation to its need for Well and Groundwater Resources Consulting Services; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 5, 2017 at 10:30 AM, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq, after advertisement on the M.T.U.D. website for not less than 10 days, Statements of Qualifications were publicly opened by the Township Business Administrator for calendar Year 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, after review of all the Statement of Qualifications by the review committee, Leggette, Brashears & Graham, Inc., who was acquired by WSP USA, was determined to be qualified to perform said services; and

**WHEREAS**, WSP USA has submitted a proposal dated April 20, 2018 to provide the said as-needed services required by the Monroe Township Utility Department at published rates submitted with their qualifications proposal, for an amount not to exceed Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00), a copy of which is attached as exhibit B; and

**WHEREAS**, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent, after consulting with the Director, by copy of a memo dated April 20, 2018, recommends the Council approve and award the contract to WSP USA, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-55, the Township Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No. M-180027 a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A";

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with WSP USA, for Professional Hydro-Geological Consulting Services, in accordance with the proposal attached hereto as Exhibit "B";

(2) The Township Chief Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by WSP USA in accordance with the attached proposal;

(3) The contract is awarded without competitive bidding through a fair and open RFQ process as a "professional service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for a service performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law;

(4) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-139                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE  
TO JOIN THE NATIONAL JOINT POWERS ALLIANCE (NJPA)  
COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 52.34-6.2 permits municipalities to join national cooperative purchasing programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Joint Powers Alliance (*NJPA*) has a cooperative purchasing program which it offers to its members and it acts as the lead agency for receipt of bids and award of contracts to successful bidders on behalf of its members; and

**WHEREAS**, whereas the Township of Monroe has determined it is in the public interest to the taxpayers to participate in said program; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

- (1) The Township wishes to participate in the National Joint Powers Alliance (*NJPA*) cooperative purchasing program in accordance with N.J.S.A. regulations; and
- (2) The contracts are awarded through the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program are considered fair and open contract in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, as well as being exempt from public bidding by the Township.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-141                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP  
CLERK TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH JAMES H. LASKEY,  
ESQ. FOR SERVICES RELATED TO THE CATV TELEVISION  
REFRANCHISE. (\$5,000)**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe seeks professional legal Services related to the Municipal approval process and to make recommendations and oversee the Monroe Township Cable TV refranchise negotiations; and

**WHEREAS, James H. Laskey, Esq.** of Norris, McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A., 400 Crossing Blvd., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bridgewater, N.J. 08807 possesses the technical expertise required for said professional services needed for this project; and

**WHEREAS**, the total amount of compensation for said services shall be at the rate of \$199.00 per hour plus reimbursements for actual disbursements, including but not limited to mailings, postage, photocopying, messenger and/or overnight courier service, transportation and filing fees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for such an engagement in Certificate No. C-1800030, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) authorizes the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bids and further provides that the contract itself must be available for public inspection;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

- (1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached contract with **James H. Laskey, Esq.** of Norris, McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A., 400 Crossing Blvd., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bridgewater, N.J. 08807, in accordance with the Agreement annexed hereto as Exhibit "B";
- (2) The Department of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to pay Invoices for services rendered by **James H. Laskey, Esq** in an amount of \$199.00 per hour not to exceed **\$5,000.00** without prior approval of the Township Council;
- (3) The Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for services performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law.
- (4) The Contract is awarded with the stipulation that **James H. Laskey, Esq** shall include within the Contract Mandatory Affirmative Action language and shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate Affirmative Action document within the time period prescribed by law;
- (5) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-142                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP  
CLERK TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
AGREEMENT WITH INTERNATIONAL FIREWORKS  
MANUFACTURING COMPANY. (\$17,200)**

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Department of Recreation seeks professional services in connection with a public display of fireworks on July 4, 2018 at Thompson Park in Monroe Township; and

**WHEREAS, International Fireworks Manufacturing Company** possesses the professional expertise needed for such an activity; and

**WHEREAS,** the fees for such services will not exceed **\$17,200.00** for the July 4<sup>th</sup> display of fireworks; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as set forth in Certificate No. **C-1800031**, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS,** the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)) authorizes the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bids and further provides that the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS,** no agreement that is subject to the requirements of Article III of the Affirmative Action Regulations pursuant to P.L. 1975, Chapter 127 (N.J.S.A. 17:27-1 et seq.) shall be awarded by the Township of Monroe, nor shall any monies be paid thereunder, to any contractor, subcontractor or business firm that has not agreed and guaranteed to comply with Affirmative Action Regulations and to afford equal opportunity in the performance of the contract in accordance with the Affirmative Action approved under the terms established in the above-cited regulations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached contract with **International Fireworks Manufacturing Company**, P.O. Box 6, Sycamore Road, Douglassville, PA 19518;

(2) The Finance Department is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by **International Fireworks Manufacturing Company** in an amount not to exceed **\$17,200.00** for the July 4<sup>th</sup> display of fireworks;

(3) This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for a service performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law;

(4) This contract is awarded with the stipulation that the International Fireworks Manufacturing Company contract shall include mandatory Affirmative Action language, and shall submit to the Township of Monroe a Business Registration Certificate and Certificate of Insurance within thirty days of contract execution; and

(5) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

**R-5-2018-143                      RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION TO MAKE-A-WISH  
FOUNDATION TO CONDUCT A FIREWORK DISPLAY.**

**WHEREAS,** the **Make-A-Wish Foundation** has requested permission to conduct a display of fireworks on Thursday, June 14, 2018, which activity will occur at the Make-A-Wish Castle site, 1347 Perrineville Road in Monroe Township; and

**WHEREAS,** the **Make-A-Wish Foundation** has satisfied this Council as to the handling of the fireworks and has provided this Council with a satisfactory sketch of the site at which the fireworks are to be displayed and the Contractor, Patrick Cyrana, d/b/a Advanced Pyrotechnics, has provided the following required documentation:

- a) Certificate of Insurance in an amount not less than \$2,000,000.00;
- b) Indemnity Agreement;
- c) Purchase Invoice of products being used for the show; and
- d) Copy of the Federal ATF Type 54 Explosives License;
- e) Fire District No. 2 approval;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that permission has been granted for the **Make-A-Wish Foundation**, 1347 Perrineville Road, Monroe Township, NJ

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** provided all required documentation is on file with the Township Clerk's Office as well as with Fire District #2 and the required notice is given to the Fire Department prior to each display of Fireworks, this Resolution authorizes such permission will be granted and shall expire on December 31, 2018.



**R-5-2018-144                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE  
GUARANTEES AND ESTABLISHING MAINTENANCE  
GUARANTEE FOR 311 SPOTSWOOD-ENGLISHTOWN ROAD  
REALTY, LLC. (BA-5070-12). (311 Spotswood-Englishtown Road)**

**WHEREAS**, Section 108-13.9 of the Code of the Township of Monroe requires the Developer to furnish a two (2) year maintenance guarantee in an amount equal to fifteen percent (15%) of the original performance guarantee upon release of the performance guarantees by the Township Council upon the Township Engineer's written recommendation; and

**WHEREAS**, **311 Spotswood-Englishtown Road Realty, LLC**, has posted Performance Guarantees in the amount of \$128,433.98; and

**WHEREAS**, a request has been made to release the performance guarantees for **311 Spotswood-Englishtown Road Realty, LLC**; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer's office, by copy of letter dated April 17, 2018, recommends release of the projects Performance Guarantees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that release of the project performance guarantees shall be conditioned upon resolution of all outstanding escrow balances associated with the administration of this project by Township officials, as well as the posting of maintenance guarantees for 15% of the project total (\$107,028.32), or \$16,054.25. Such maintenance guarantee shall run for a period of not less than two years from the date of memorialization of such action by the Council;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, in accordance with the Monroe Township Code, "The developer shall maintain funds in the engineering inspection escrow account in the amount of fifty percent (50%) of the original deposit", however the Township Engineer feels the funds currently being held in escrow with the Township will be sufficient.

**R-5-2018-145                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF VEHICLES AND  
SURPLUS PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE  
ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE TO BE CONDUCTED BY  
GOVDEALS.COM UNDER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe has determined that various vehicles and Miscellaneous Equipment listed on Schedule "A" as attached hereto and incorporated herein are no longer needed for public use; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Unit Technology Pilot Program and Study Act (P.L. 2001, c. 30) authorizes the sale of surplus property no longer needed for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe intends to utilize the online auction services of GovDeals Inc., 100 Capital Commerce Blvd, Suite 110, Montgomery, Alabama 36117, pursuant to **State Contract No. A83453**; and

**WHEREAS**, the sales are being conducted pursuant to the Division of Local Government Services' Local Finance Notice 2008-9;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that the Township is hereby authorized to sell the Township vehicles and miscellaneous equipment described on the attached Schedule "A" on an online auction website entitled [www.govdeals.com](http://www.govdeals.com) and Monroe Township's website at [www.monroetwp.com](http://www.monroetwp.com) ;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the terms and conditions of the auction are available at [www.govdeals.com](http://www.govdeals.com) and attached hereto and made a part of;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of the within Resolution be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the following:

Division of Local Government Services  
Alan Weinberg, Business Administrator  
Ron Cerankowski, Deputy Superintendent of the Department of Public Works

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-146                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO  
PHYSIO-CONTROL, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF  
AUTOMATED CHEST COMPRESSION SYSTEMS FOR THE  
MONROE TOWNSHIP FIRST AID.  
(10 units including options \$148,823.44)**

**WHEREAS**, on April 18, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. one (1) sealed bid was received by Monroe Township regarding the purchase of automated chest compression systems for the Monroe Township First Aid; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Business Administrator, by copy of letter dated April 19, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto, recommends the contract be awarded to **Physio-Control, Inc.**, located at 11811 Willows Road NE Redmond, WA 98052; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has reviewed the recommendations made by the Business Administrator regarding said bid; and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as set forth in Certificate No. **C-1800036**, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, the award of contract is subject to the compliance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.; any contractor, subcontractor of business firm agree and guarantee to comply with Affirmative Action Regulations and to afford equal opportunity in the performance of the contract in accordance with the affirmative action plan approved under the terms established in the above-cited regulations;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of a contract to purchase ten (10) automated chest compression systems plus options; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with **Physio Control, Inc.** at a cost not to exceed **\$148,823.44**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay **Physio Control, Inc** in accordance with the contract entered into between the parties; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract is awarded with the stipulation that **Physio Control, Inc** shall comply with Affirmative Action Regulations, including revising their contracts as necessary to add mandatory affirmative action language, and submitting either a letter of federal approval or a Certificate of Employee Information Report, or a completed form AA302 at the time the signed contracts are returned to the Township of Monroe, or seven (7) days thereafter, or risk being declared non-responsive and forfeiting the award.

**R-5-2018-148                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO  
CHERRY VALLEY TRACTOR SALES FOR THE PURCHASE OF  
A FORTY (40) TON LOWBOY TRAILER FOR THE  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. (\$66,655.60)**

**WHEREAS**, on April 18, 2018 at 10:45 a.m. one (1) sealed bid was received by Monroe Township regarding the purchase of a forty-ton lowboy trailer for the Monroe Township Department of Public Works; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Business Administrator, by copy of letter dated April 19, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto, recommends the contract be awarded to **Cherry Valley Tractor Sales**, located at 35 Route 70 West Marlton, N.J. 08053-3099; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has reviewed the recommendations made by the Business Administrator regarding said bid; and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as set forth in Certificate No. **C-1800033**, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, the award of contract is subject to the compliance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.; any contractor, subcontractor of business firm agree and guarantee to comply with Affirmative Action Regulations and to afford equal opportunity in the performance of the contract in accordance with the affirmative action plan approved under the terms established in the above-cited regulations;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of a contract to purchase a forty-ton lowboy trailer; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with **Cherry Valley Tractor Sales** at a cost not to exceed \$66,655.60; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay **Cherry Valley Tractor Sales** in accordance with the contract entered into between the parties; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract is awarded with the stipulation that **Cherry Valley Tractor Sales** shall comply with Affirmative Action Regulations, including revising their contracts as necessary to add mandatory affirmative action language and submitting either a letter of federal approval or a Certificate of Employee Information Report, or a completed form AA302 at the time the signed contracts are returned to the Township of Monroe, or seven (7) days thereafter, or risk being declared non-responsive and forfeiting the award.

**R-5-2018-149                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS.**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector for the Township of Monroe has recommended this Council's approval to make refunds for tax overpayments in the amount of One thousand six hundred forty-four dollars and thirteen cents (\$1,644.13) for the amounts described on Schedule A and attached hereto;

**WHEREAS**, good cause has been shown

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer be and is hereby directed to draw a check from the General Account refunding the Tax overpayments described above to be distributed as set forth on the attached Schedule A:

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-150                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS.**

**WHEREAS**, Premiums have been paid for various properties for the purchase of Tax Lien Certificates for properties listed on the Tax Map of the Township of Monroe, in the amount of One hundred sixty-seven thousand three hundred dollars and no cents (\$167,300.00),

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54: 5-33 said premiums must be returned to the purchasers upon redemption:

**WHEREAS**, The Tax Lien Certificates as outlined on Schedule A have been redeemed:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Monroe in the County of Middlesex in the State of New Jersey that the Township's Certified Municipal Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw a check from the Township's Trust Account in the amount listed on Schedule A and forward same to the Tax Collector for distribution to the purchasers.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-151    Removed**

**R-5-2018-152                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHAIN SCHAFFER PC TO HANDLE THE MATTER OF EL AT MONROE, LLC. v. THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION. (\$15,000)**

**WHEREAS**, a lawsuit has been filed against the Township of Monroe in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Middlesex County, Docket No. MID-L-001406-18, entitled **EL at Monroe, LLC v. The Township of Monroe**, disputing certain Monroe Township Utility Department fees and costs associated with Plaintiff's development;

**WHEREAS**, Shain Schaffer PC, possesses the expertise necessary to handle this litigation for the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, this case is extraordinary in complexity and scope; and

**WHEREAS**, acknowledgment of the status of "extraordinary litigation" requires the advice and consent of the Township Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the Township of Monroe has requested that Shain Schaffer PC, handle the matter of **EL at Monroe, LLC v. The Township of Monroe**, as extraordinary litigation, *nunc pro tunc*; and

**WHEREAS**, Shain Schaffer PC, will render legal services at a cost not to exceed **\$15,000.00**, with respect to the matter of **EL at Monroe, LLC v. The Township of Monroe**, pending further authorization from the Township Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No **M-180029**, copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit "A";

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to Shain Schaffer PC, handling the matter of **EL at Monroe, LLC v. The Township of Monroe**, as extraordinary litigation, for which legal services may be provided in an amount up to \$15,000.00, pending further authorization from the Council.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid *nunc pro tunc*.

**R-5-2018-153                    RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NJ DOT) FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE SPOTSWOOD AVENUE, ELLINGHAM AVENUE AND AVENUE G PEDESTRIAN, DRAINAGE AND ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.**

**WHEREAS**, at the October 5, 2015 council meeting, Resolution No. R-10-2015-261 was adopted authorizing the submission of a grant application with the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJ DOT) for the NJ DOT Local Aid For FY2016 Grant for Spotswood Avenue, Ellingham Avenue and Avenue G Pedestrian, Drainage and Road Improvement Projects identified as Grant Application **MA-2016-Monroe Township-00378**; and

**WHEREAS**, in correspondence from the NJ DOT dated March 24, 2016, Monroe Township was informed that our community was selected to receive funding in the amount of \$300,000.00 for the above project; and

**WHEREAS**, in another correspondence dated June 28, 2016 it was stipulated that the Construction contract must be awarded within 24 months from the date of the execution of the Agreement and failure to make an award by May 23, 2018 will jeopardize the use of the State funds for this project; and

**WHEREAS**, in correspondence from the Township Engineer dated April 11, 2018 it was recommended that the Township Council request by resolution a ninety-day extension of time from NJ DOT for the above captioned project, changing the deadline of award from May 23, 2018 to August 23, 2018.

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Monroe agree with the Township Engineer's recommendation.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Monroe that we hereby respectfully request a ninety- day extension from the NJ DOT for the award of the Spotswood Avenue, Ellingham Avenue and Avenue G Pedestrian, Drainage and Road Improvement Projects identified as Grant Application **MA-2016-Monroe Township-00378**, making the new award deadline August 23, 2018.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that four (4) certified copies of this resolution be transmitted by the Township Clerk to the NJ DOT.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-154                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO ROAD SAFETY SYSTEMS, LLC FOR GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENT ON WYCOFF MILLS ROAD. (\$34,905)**

**WHEREAS**, on February 15, 2018, proposals were received for guardrail replacement for two locations on Wycoff Mills Road; and

**WHEREAS**, on behalf of Monroe Township, Center State Engineering received proposals from a total of four (4) companies as follows:

J. Fletcher Creamer & Son -	\$23,320.00
Road Safety Systems, LLC -	\$34,905.00
SF Systems Corporation -	\$36,350.00
Z Brothers Concrete Contractors, Inc. -	\$41,906.00

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer had reviewed the four (4) proposals received, and by copy of letter dated February 23, 2018, recommended the award of contract to J. Fletcher Creamer & Son, in the amount of \$23,320.00 and pursuant to Resolution No. R-3-2018-100, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on March 5, 2018, the contract was awarded; and

**WHEREAS**, by letter dated April 23, 2018 from Center State Engineering, J. Fletcher Creamer & Son has requested to withdraw their proposal due to a misinterpretation of the bid document, therefore the Township Engineer has recommended the award of contract go to the second low, responsible bidder **Road Safety Systems, LLC**.

**WHEREAS**, no contract that is subject to the requirements of Article 3 of the Affirmative Action Regulations pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27-1, et seq.) shall be awarded by the Township of Monroe, nor shall any monies be paid thereunder, to any contractor, subcontractor of business firm that has not agreed and guaranteed to comply with Affirmative Action Regulations and to afford equal opportunity in the performance of the contract in accordance with the affirmative action plan approved under the terms established in the above-cited regulations;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of contract to the second low, responsible bidder, to **Road Safety Systems, LLC** for the guardrail repairs on Wycoff Road for a total contract price of **\$34,905.00**; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as evidenced by Certificate No. C-1800034, a copy of which is attached hereto; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with **Road Safety Systems, LLC**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay **Road Safety Systems, LLC** in accordance with the contract entered into between the parties; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract is awarded with the stipulation that **Road Safety Systems, LLC** shall comply with Affirmative Action Regulations, including revising their contracts as necessary to add mandatory affirmative action language, and submitting either a letter of federal approval or a certificate of employee information report, or a completed form AA302 at the time the signed contracts are returned to the Township of Monroe, or seven (7) days thereafter, or risk being declared non-responsive and forfeiting the award.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-155**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR THE PROVISION OF RECYCLING COLLECTION AND MARKETING SERVICES OF DESIGNATED RECYCLABLES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe is under contract through March 30, 2018 with the Middlesex County Improvement Authority, for the provision of recycling collection and marketing services of designated recyclables; and

**WHEREAS**, the current contract allows the authority to extend the contract for a period of two (2) additional one (1) year periods with the consent of both parties and approval of the governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, the extension of this agreement shall be under the same terms, conditions and pricing contained within their original contract, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the extension of a one-year contract *nunc pro tunc* with the Middlesex County Improvement Authority, for the provision of recycling collection and marketing services of designated recyclables, expiring March 30, 2019.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-158                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACTS  
TO SKYLINE ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SAFETY  
AND HEALTH TRAINING SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018  
FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP AND THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY  
DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”).**  
(Monroe Twp. \$10,640.00; M.T.U.D. \$11,240.00)

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe and the Township of Monroe and the Monroe Township Utility Department (M.T.U.D.) seek Professional Safety and Health Training Services; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 5, 2017 at 10:30 AM, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq, after advertisement on the M.T.U.D. website for not less than 10 days, Statements of Qualifications were publicly opened by the Township Business Administrator for calendar Year 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, after review of all the Statement of Qualifications by the review committee, Skyline Environmental, Inc. was determined to be qualified to perform said services; and

**WHEREAS**, Skyline Environmental, has submitted a proposal for required services with their statement of qualifications dated April 24, 2018, for the Township and Utility Department in the amounts indicated below for scheduled required services, and hourly rates for additional required services, a copy of which is attached hereto as

Exhibit "D" Township of Monroe Total:	\$14,240.00
Exhibit "E" Monroe Township Utility Department Total:	\$42,735.00 ; and

**WHEREAS**, the Utility Department Purchasing Agent after consultation with the M.T.U.D. Director, by copy of a letter dated April 24, 2018, recommends the Council award a professional services contracts to Skyline Environmental, Inc. in the total amounts shown above for scheduled services, and any additional services that may be required at the hourly rates indicated in the proposals, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit "C"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Municipal Finance Officer has certified availability of Township funds in Certificate No. C-1800035, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Municipal Finance Officer has certified availability of Utility Department funds in Certificate No. M-180028 copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

- (1) The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into (1) one year contracts with Skyline Environmental, Inc for Professional Safety and Health Training Services, in accordance with the Township and Utility Department’s respective proposals;
- (2) The Chief Municipal Finance Officer and Utility Finance Officer are hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by Skyline Environmental, Inc. in accordance with the attached proposal;
- (3) The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a “professional service” in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for a service performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law;
- (4) This contracts are awarded with the stipulation that Skyline Environmental, Inc shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate certificate of Insurance.
- (5) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

**RESOLUTIONS removed from consent agenda for CONSIDERATION:**

Councilman Dipierro recused himself and left the Council Chambers.

**R-5-2018-130                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF CASH  
PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR W&S 1014 – ROBERT ROSS  
– BLOCK 124 LOT 14.01 POSTED WITH THE MONROE  
TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”).  
(Montano Crt. – single lot)**

**WHEREAS**, Robert Ross has posted a cash guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department (“MTUD”) for W&S 1014, a one unit subdivision; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert Ross has requested the release of the Performance Guarantee; and

**WHEREAS**, as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Monroe Township Council approve the request for release of the cash guarantee, as detailed in a letter dated 4-2-18, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

Cash Guarantee in the amount of \$2,280.00 be released in full to the developer.

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendation of the MTUD Director;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that Cash Guarantee posted for W&S 1014 be released as reflected above and within the letter annexed hereto. This approval for release of cash guarantee is conditioned upon the resolution of any outstanding balances attached to the project escrow accounts; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Monroe Township Utility Department is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the developer, and to his attorney, if applicant has been represented by counsel in this matter.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-134                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO  
LAYNE CHRISTENSEN CO. FOR CONTRACT 479 – ION  
EXCHANGE SYSTEM REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE FOR THE  
MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”).  
(Per unit pricing)**

**WHEREAS**, on April 19, 2018 one (1) sealed bid was received, and publicly opened and read aloud, by the Monroe Township Utility Department Purchasing Agent for Contract 479, “ION Exchange System Repair and Maintenance”, required by the M.T.U.D.

**WHEREAS**, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent has recommended in a letter dated April 19, 2018, that a two (2) year contract be awarded to the low bidder Layne Christensen Co. at 1126 Lincoln Avenue, Holbrook, NY 11741, based upon the unit pricing and estimated quantities contained within their bid documents, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”;; and

**WHEREAS** the Township Council has reviewed the recommendations made by the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Manager regarding said bid; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-180023, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(d)(1)(ii), multi-year contracts entered into for periods in excess of twelve (12) months shall be certified and charged to the respective budgets in accordance with the time(s) at which the respective work or services are performed or liability for payment is otherwise incurred. Accordingly, commitments and payments required in excess of the initial twelve (12) months are contingent upon necessary funds being appropriated in future budgets by a subsequent governing body.

**WHEREAS**, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of a two (2) year contract with an option for a an additional one (1) year term with acceptance by Layne Christensen for ION Exchange System Repair And Maintenance for Monroe Township Utility Department; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a (2) two year contract Layne Christensen Co. in accordance with their submitted bid;

(2) The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for material delivered by Layne Christensen Co. in accordance with their contract;

(3) The contracts are awarded through the competitive bidding process as a fair and open contract in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law;

(4) This contract is awarded with the stipulation that Layne Christensen Co. shall provide a properly executed certificate of insurance and performance bond, as required by the specifications.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-135                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO  
S & G PAVING CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR CONTRACT 480  
“PATCH PAVING AND CONCRETE REPAIR” FOR THE  
MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”).  
(Per unit pricing)**

**WHEREAS**, on April 19, 2018 three (3) sealed bids were received, publicly opened, and read aloud by the Monroe Township Utility Department for Contract 480, “Patch Paving and Concrete Repair”, required by the M.T.U.D.

**WHEREAS**, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent, after review with the Director, has recommended in a letter dated April 19, 2018, that a contract be awarded to the low bidder S & G Paving Construction, Inc. of 224 Forsgate Drive Jamesburg, NJ 08831, based upon the *unit pricing and estimated quantities* contained within their bid documents upon final review by the Office of the Township Attorney, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has reviewed and hereby consents to the award of bid based upon the recommendations of the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Finance Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-180024, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(d)(1)(ii), multi-year contracts entered into for periods in excess of twelve (12) months shall be certified and charged to the respective budgets in accordance with the time(s) at which the respective work or services are performed or liability for payment is otherwise incurred. Accordingly, commitments and payments required in excess of the initial twelve (12) months are contingent upon necessary funds being appropriated in future budgets by a subsequent governing body; and

**WHEREAS**, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of a one (1) year contract with two optional one (1) year extension terms with acceptance by S & G Paving, Inc. Inc. for the Patch Paving and Concrete Repair for Monroe Township Utility Department; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a (1) one year contract S & G Paving Construction, Inc. in accordance with their submitted bid;

(2) The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for material delivered by S & G Paving Construction, Inc. in accordance with their contract;

(3) The contracts are awarded through the competitive bidding process as a fair and open contract in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law;

(4) This contract is awarded with the stipulation that S & G Paving Construction, Inc. shall provide a properly executed certificate of insurance and performance bond, as required by the specifications.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.



**R-5-2018-138                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF CASH  
MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED FOR W&S 988 –  
CLEARVIEW ESTATES – BLOCK 35, LOTS 27 & 28 – PB#1029-06  
WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT  
("M.T.U.D."). (George Alan Court)**

**WHEREAS**, Charles Dipierro has posted a cash guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department ("MTUD") for W&S 988; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles Dipierro has requested the release of the cash Maintenance Guarantee; and

**WHEREAS**, as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Monroe Township Council approve the request for release of the cash guarantee, as detailed in a letter dated 4-25-18, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, the MTUD scheduled an independent review of the project and the MTUD'S inspection notes which found the project complete and all work was performed to MTUD standards; and

Cash Guarantee in the amount of \$42,480.00 be released in full to the developer, after deducting any outstanding review and inspection charges due the Utility Department; this has been approved by the applicant.

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendation of the MTUD Director;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that Cash Guarantee posted for W&S 988 be released as reflected above and within the letter annexed hereto. This approval for release of cash guarantee is conditioned upon the resolution of any outstanding balances attached to the project escrow accounts; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Monroe Township Utility Department is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the developer, and to his attorney, if applicant has been represented by counsel in this matter.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-140                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE LOAN REPAYMENT  
AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNER OF AN AFFORDABLE  
HOUSING UNIT LOCATED AT 1171 MORNING GLORY DRIVE,  
MONROE TOWNSHIP, N.J.**

**WHEREAS**, *Michael Velardi* is about to be the owner of property located at 1171 Morning Glory Drive, Monroe Township, New Jersey, Unit 1171 in Building 12, which property is governed by the statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations restricting ownership and use of the property as an Affordable Housing unit which, among other restrictions, restricts the property owner in financing the property or otherwise encumbering the property by way of mortgage, home equity loan, or other form of financing; and

**WHEREAS**, the property owner has requested a *Down Payment Assistance Loan Program* loan from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe is willing to extend a loan to the property owner toward the payment of a down payment in the amount of **\$17,308.00.00**; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate for the Township of Monroe to enter into an Agreement with the property owner setting forth the terms of the agreement at this time.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** on this 7th day of May, 2018, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that:

1. The Mayor, Business Administrator, Clerk and/or Attorney are hereby authorized to execute a Down Payment Assistance Loan Program Agreement with the owner of an Affordable Housing unit located at 1171 Morning Glory Drive, Monroe Township, New Jersey, Unit 1171 in Building 12, Block 1, Lot 10.2, Qualifier C-1171.
2. A copy of the fully executed Agreement shall be kept on file with the Clerk. The original shall be kept in the unit file by the Administrative Agent.
3. Check in the amount of **\$17,308.00** shall be made payable to **Opportune Title Agency, LLC Trust Account** and mailed to the Attention of Jerome J. Convery, Attorney at Law, 272 Highway 34, Suite 3, Matawan, NJ 07747.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-5-2018-147                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO  
POWER SAWS OF AMERICA, INC. (T/A RKD TREE SERVICES)  
FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP TREE REMOVAL AND PRUNING  
SERVICES. (Per unit pricing)**

**WHEREAS**, on April 18, 2018 two (2) sealed bids were received by Monroe Township for tree removal and pruning services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Business Administrator recommends, by copy of letter dated April 19, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto, that the tree removal and pruning contract be awarded to **Power Saws of America (t/a RKD Tree Services)** 433 Schoolhouse Road Monroe Twp, N.J. at the unit pricing as provided by the bidder, and as shown on the attached schedule of rates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has reviewed the recommendation made by the Business Administrator regarding said bid and finds same to be reasonable; and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as set forth in Certificate No. **C-1800032**, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, no contract that is subject to the requirements of the Affirmative Action Regulations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq. shall be awarded by the Township of Monroe, nor shall any monies be paid there under, to any contractor, subcontractor of business firm that has not agreed and guaranteed to comply with Affirmative Action Regulations and to afford equal opportunity in the performance of the contract in accordance with the affirmative action plan approved under the terms established in the above cited regulations;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of an open ended two (2) year contract, for Monroe Township Tree Removal and Pruning services at the unit pricing provided by the bidder, said contract expiring May 7, 2020, with the provision authorizing the Business Administrator to extend for a period of one additional year with the consent of the bidder; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with **Power Saws of America (t/a RKD Tree Services) per unit pricing**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay **Power Saws of America (t/a RKD Tree Services)** in accordance with the contract entered into between the parties; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract is awarded with the stipulation that **Power Saws of America (t/a RKD Tree Services)** shall comply with Affirmative Action Regulations, including revising their contracts as necessary to add mandatory affirmative action language, and submitting either a letter of federal approval or a certificate of employee information report, or a completed form AA302 at the time the signed contracts are returned to the Township of Monroe, or seven (7) days thereafter, or risk being declared non-responsive and forfeiting the award.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
	Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Abstain
	Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
	Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Copy of Resolutions Duly Filed.

**Councilman Dipierro returned to the Council Chambers.**

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Council Vice President Schneider, the following Resolutions were moved for Adoption:

**R-5-2018-156                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL 90-DAYS OF  
EXTENDED SICK LEAVE.**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township of Monroe and United Service Workers Union, IUJAT, Local 255, Article 15c "Extended Sick Leave" requires an employee, after the initial ninety (90) days of extended sick leave, to request through the Administration, approval by Council, for an additional extended sick leave; and

**WHEREAS**, a Township Employee (No. 99433) will have, as of March 29, 2018, completed his/her initial ninety (90) days of Extended Sick Leave and has requested up to 90 additional days of Extended Sick Leave; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Business Administrator and Human Resources Manager have reviewed the request and have recommended, by copy of letter dated March 26, 2018, approval of same;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that it does hereby authorize an additional ninety (90) days of Extended Sick Leave effective March 30, 2018 in accordance with Article 15 "Extended Sick Leave" of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

**R-5-2018-157                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL 90-DAYS OF  
EXTENDED SICK LEAVE.**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township of Monroe and United Service Workers Union, IUJAT, Local 255, Article 15c "Extended Sick Leave" requires an employee, after the initial ninety (90) days of extended sick leave, to request through the Administration, approval by Council, for an additional extended sick leave; and

**WHEREAS**, a Township Employee (No. 72286) will have, as of April 3, 2018, completed his/her initial ninety (90) days of Extended Sick Leave and has requested up to 90 additional days of Extended Sick Leave; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Business Administrator and Human Resources Manager have reviewed the request and have recommended, by copy of letter dated March 26, 2018, approval of same;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that it does hereby authorize an additional ninety (90) days of Extended Sick Leave effective April 4, 2018 in accordance with Article 15 "Extended Sick Leave" of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
Councilman Charles Dipierro	Nay
Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Copy of Resolutions Duly Filed.

**REPORTS:**

**Mayor's Report** – Mayor Tamburro reported that Governor Murphy included the same half of the Homestead Rebate as Governor Christie had done last year; subsequently, residents who should have received \$500.00 have only received \$250.00. Mayor Tamburro explained that he reached out to our legislative team, Assemblyman Benson and Assemblyman DeAngelo, and they have been successful in getting the Assembly Speaker Coughlin to stand with them and go to the Governor and have the half that has been cut returned back to those 8,000 homeowners that are eligible for the Homestead Rebate. It has been brought to their attention once more that we are not receiving our fair share of State Aid and by cutting the Homestead Rebate in half it has only hurt our taxpayers.

In regards to the resolution that was passed approving the purchase of the automated chest compression machines, these machines will be equipped in all of our ambulances. The compression machine automatically does compressions on the patient and allows the EMS worker to deal with other priorities. We feel that this was an important purchase for the population that we have and the amount of calls that we receive.

Filmed the Mayor Tamburro TV show at the soccer fields the other day. The fields look magnificent and have all new artificial turf there. In interviewing the President of the soccer program, it was interesting to note that approximately 1,300 children participate in the program. Additionally, we have partnered with the soccer league to have portable lights put out on the fields but the smell from the diesel and impact on the environment was terrible so we put in permanent electric lights there.

Proud to report that the traffic light is working now at the intersection of Spotswood Englishtown Road and Mounts Mills Road. Engineer Rasimowicz will talk more about that in his report. Last Thursday, the Freeholder Board approved the engineering cost for the traffic light at Englishtown Road and Mounts Mill Road so that will become a reality sometime in the near future. Thanked Stu Goldstein, who is the president of the Homeowner's Association at the Regency for moving the project along.

**Administrator's Report** – Administrator Weinberg reported that we will have an upcoming closure on Spotswood Englishtown Road for gas and sewer work; Engineer Rasimowicz will report on that more.

The Governor did sign the SALT Workaround Bill which allows municipalities to eventually set up charitable deduction processes that would allow homeowners who have over \$10,000 between mortgage interest and a variety of other items to work those together from the local property tax. We will be keeping our eye on that and the Department of Community Affairs will promulgate regulations and a couple of municipalities will take the lead because there will be a legal component to convincing the IRS that this is a proper thing to do.

Administrator Weinberg have a shout out to the Parks Department for their tireless efforts in keeping all of the fields in great shape and open.

Spoke at the League of Women Voters meeting and at Greenbriar and noted that he is always happy to speak and answer questions about the Township.

Thanked the Mayor for his efforts in working with the legislature regarding the school funding and the Homestead Rebate, as those issues are important to press with the Governor.

**Engineer's Report** – Engineer Rasimowicz reported that the Spotswood Englishtown Road closure will be coming up for the installation of a sanitary sewer force main and PSE&G will be installing a gas main. The detour will begin on May 9<sup>th</sup> and the limits of the closure will be from Mounts Mills Road to North State Home Road, Monday through Friday 7am to 6pm and Saturday 8am to 5pm. The residents and businesses in the area of the closure have been notified and the police traffic safety unit has also been working with the Board of Education regarding student busing. The road will be open to traffic each evening and on Sundays. The residents who are eligible were also notified regarding PSE&G and their opportunity to get a gas service connection.

The traffic signal at the intersection of Mounts Mills Road and Spotswood Englishtown Road is now up and running and fully operational.

Middlesex County will be awarding the contract for the design of the Old Bridge-Englishtown Road and Mounts Mills Road intersection improvements and traffic signal, as that progresses he stated that he will report back to the Council.

The site contractor has been responsive to making the necessary improvements on the Veteran's Park fields today. The installation of the new sod should be completed in about a month.

The soccer complex is also now complete with new turf and lighting.

Middlesex County has completed the replacement of the bridge culvert on Monroe Boulevard and that is now open.

Applegarth Road has four new official NJ Transit bus stops and the signage for those stops are in place and the bus stops are activated.

## **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

### **Council Vice-President Schneider –**

- Attended the Boy Scouts Snuffy Hollow Campery in where she presented the Mayor's trophy. There were approximately 200-250 scouts.
- At the Senior Center on June 6<sup>th</sup> there will be an empty bowl auction; for a \$10 donation they provide a bowl of soup and bread.
- Twelve of our police officers will be riding in the Police Unity Tour, where fallen officers are remembered and honored.
- Attended the India-US Forum seminar regarding Domestic Violence which was very interesting and informative.
- Our Lady of Peace Church in North Brunswick will be hosting a free dinner to show how those who utilize the food pantry can make an elegant dinner.

### **Councilman Dipierro –**

- Thanked CFO George Lang and his staff along with the Mayor and Council for all of their hard work in putting together the budget, stated how amazing everything comes together.
- The School Arbor Day celebration will be on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 10am at Woodland School. It is not open to the public but you can follow on Facebook.
- On Memorial Day there will be a wreath laying ceremony starting at 9:00am at the municipal building. There will be transportation to Veteran's Park on Avenue K available to the veterans for the continuation of memorial services.
- On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month from 8:00am to 11:30pm the paint drop off at the DPW will be open.

- Thanked Engineer Rasimowicz and staff for their work in getting Veteran's Park cleaned up and back on track and saving the Township money.
- Also thanked Engineer Rasimowicz for the traffic light project on Mounts Mill Road. He noted it has been a long journey but it is now a lot safer.
- Attended a gun reform at the Senior Center along with the Mayor and other fellow councilmembers; gave me more awareness of what is going on in this world.
- Cub Scouts Pack 3 had an event at the Senior Center which was great to see how involved the parents and children are.
- Attended the Eagle Scout event for Michael Faber. It was nice to see the community get improved by an eagle scout.
- Opening day for baseball and softball was a great day. Council President Dalina scooped up the ball very impressively.
- The Shade Tree Commission gave out 2,000 trees to the residents. It helps our community get more trees planted and makes it nicer.
- Attended a meeting at the Pines Manor regarding ADA compliance with ADA Coordinator Tanya Pannucci. The guest speaker was a blind gentleman and his presentation was very informative regarding Employment and the ADA.
- Attended a FEMA meeting with the Township Engineer regarding the changes to come in response to all of the flooding during the storms we have had like Superstorm Sandy.
- Attended a United Way event at the library which was nice to see all the programs that they offer to those in need.
- Attended an NFL football charity event at the high school with Councilman Baskin and Council Vice-President Schneider. It was very nice to see them get together with our community.
- Attended the Henry Ricklis Holocaust Remembrance Day event at the Marasco Center which was very interesting.

**Councilwoman Cohen –**

- Attended the India-US Forum event on Saturday; she attended the discussion regarding drug abuse which was very informative and eye opening.
- Very happy to be the Chairperson of the Cable Television Advisory Committee; meetings have been held and we are hoping to have a public hearing in the Fall to have an open discussion with the cable companies.
- On May 20<sup>th</sup> the Monroe chorus will be presenting a free concert entitled "America the Beautiful" at the Marasco Center at 2:00pm.
- Councilwoman Cohen shared that in addition to being a nurse, she also teaches for the College of New Jersey and two of her students did a community assessment of Monroe Township. In reviewing the assessments, both students had said it was very difficult to write about a community issue within the Township as it is so wonderful with so many great things to offer, which was very nice to hear.

**Councilman Baskin –**

- Attended the Monroe Township High School Allstars versus the NFL Pros charity event which was great.
- The Historic Dey Farm Tours have reopened and will be held the first Sunday of the month from 1:00pm to 4:00pm through October.
- As a member of the Green Team, he noted that the Township has posted a recycling app on their website which provides residents with schedules, recycling guidelines, reminders and more.

**Council President Dalina –**

- Went to Trenton to discuss fair funding with Administrator Weinberg, Councilman Dipierro and members of the Education Committee. We spoke to State Senators Greenstein and Thompson directly as to what our stand on fair funding is as there was no public discussion.
- The Recreation Department will be giving out small scholarships to high school seniors during the Rec Advisory Dinner being held on May 21<sup>st</sup>.
- The spray park will be opening on May 25<sup>th</sup> and remain open through Labor Day. The park is supervised and free to the public and will be open from 10am-8pm, 7 days a week.
- At the last Library Board of Trustees meeting, homemade paper flowers were given from the Chelsea at Forsgate as a thank you for bringing the bookmobile there. There was poems and thank you notes on the flowers, Council President read a few for the public.

**Public:**

**Lori Ann Winter, 308 Federal Rd.** – Mrs. Winter asked if there were any updates on anything being done with the traffic being diverted onto Federal Road as there have been two incidents of major concern, one happened in front of her garden where a giant boulder was thrown about 30 feet into her yard and the other one was a neighbor's mailbox was hit and later found in a ditch on England Rd. She stated that this needs to be addressed as the road is too narrow for trucks to drive down it.

Secondly, she has read about many incidents on various Township Facebook groups about burglaries happening. There are residents in Clearbrook that are experiencing thefts and a house on Prospect Plains

Road was robbed. She asked why there are no nixle alerts regarding these incidents or a police blotter, as it is very important to know what is happening in the area. She mentioned that she received a nixle alert from South Brunswick regarding their Annual 2017 Report which included information about their personnel, accidents, community policies, neighborhood watch, blue angel lockbox program, senior citizens programs for stopping scams and fraud, driving programs for seniors and other notable cases. They go over a lot of things that have happened in the town which is very informative and every town should have one.

Administrator Weinberg commented that the best thing would be to have the Chief of Police take the lead on addressing the concerns and he would be happy arrange a meeting.

**Roger Meaney, 22 Harrigan Ave.** – Mr. Meaney addressed a traffic concern on Drew, Brunswick, Harrigan and Erickson Avenue during rush hour as there are no sidewalks and approximately ten children under the age of 10 years old who are picked up and dropped off there with no sidewalks to walk on. He noted that there is never a police presence in that area either so it is suggested that signage is posted that states that no through traffic during certain times would be helpful. Council President Dalina asked Administrator Weinberg to talk with the Chief about increasing the police presence in that area. Council Vice-President Schneider asked if there were any crossing guards; Mr. Meaney stated there were none because the children are bused to school. Councilman Dipierro asked if it was possible to have Engineer Rasimowicz look into getting grants for putting sidewalks and beacon markers in that area. He added that it is important to have police officers in that area as well.

**Gary Busman, 7 Monarch Rd.** – Mr. Busman reported that three weeks ago the US Open Pickle Ball Championships were held and a player of the 65-85 year old group won. That player is a resident of Monroe Township, residing in Stonebridge, Mr. Mark Vogul.

**Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr.** – Mr. Parab thanked everyone for the budget and asked about the tax revenue that we receive for the businesses if it is increasing; Administrator Weinberg answered that we do have ratable growth for businesses and we do want to encourage and attract that. Mayor Tamburro added that we do have an ordinance regarding hotel tax.

Regarding the Recycling Center, Mr. Parab stated that we previously used to separate papers and plastics and now we put together and because of this many of the recyclables are being rejected and being thrown in the dump. He added that this is not good for the environment and asked for this to be looked into. Councilwoman Cohen answered that this is a matter of simply educating residents to rinse their recyclables out beforehand.

Lastly, Mr. Parab reported that the Sentinel newspaper is thrown everywhere and when it rains it clogs the sewer drains. He asked that we inform them not to throw the papers into the road.

**Lucille DiPasquale, 17 Ave K** – Thanked Gary Lovallo, Shade Tree Board Secretary Pam Broskie, as well as, the NJ Forest Commission who supplied the 2,000 sites across the state with trees to distribute. Thanked the councilmembers who helped hand out the seedlings and thanked all of the sites for hosting.

Reminded everyone that on September 29<sup>th</sup> the Green Fair will be held at the high school. There will be a meeting on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm where we will be looking for volunteers to help us have a successful fair.

**Roger West, 34K Locust Dr.** – Mr. West stated that it seems with the mulching ordinance the Township is trying to reinvent the wheel between science and God and how the mulch is made. He added that if we knew more about the mulching process then we would know that some of these processed do not even happen in the Township's own DPW yard. He feels that the Township is going way overboard and messing with an entire industry. He asked for someone to give him a reason as to why the Township is going after this industry. Council President Dalina allowed an additional minute for Mr. West to voice his concerns he then answered him stating that his comments have been listened to and he appreciates his concerns.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 9:20pm.

ROLL CALL:	Councilwoman Miriam Cohen	Aye
	Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
	Council President Stephen Dalina	Aye

Patricia Reid  
PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

Stephen Dalina  
STEPHEN DALINA, Council President