

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**

JUNE 6, 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. **PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS –**

Proclamation

Flag Day – June 14, 2018

Proclamation presented to Rhea Alathur

“Township of Monroe Honors Special Olympic Athlete Rhea Alathur”

Proclamation presented to The Mayor’s Youth Advisory Commission

“Mental Health Illness Stigma Free Town”

Presentation to Austin Aitken - United States Coast Guard Academy Appointment

Presentation to Monroe Township High School Boys Hockey Team

“Greater Middlesex Conference Champions in Ice Hockey”

Jacob Bailey, Michael Benedetti, Charles Burkshot, Michael Conover, Matthew DeLuca, Samuel Fishteyn, Vincent Foresta, Kenneth Helmold, Anthony Lane, Kyle Lange, Marino Lupo, Dominic Micalizzi, Jonathan Petrow, James Petrie, Austen Poye, Michael Russo, James Siravo, Matthew Skobelev, Bryant Skurbe, Max Tucker, Gleb Veremyev, Anthony Zito

6. **Swearing in of Police Captain Michael Biennas**

7. **MOTION** to approve the payment of **CLAIMS** per run date 5/24/2018.

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

8. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

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

- **April 30, 2018** **Agenda Meeting**
- **May 7, 2018** **Regular Meeting**
- **May 30, 2018** **Agenda Meeting**

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

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

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

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

**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.**

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

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

O-6-2018-018 **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "LAND DEVELOPMENT".** (Fee amendment)

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

O-6-2018-019 **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES.**
(Construction & MTUD fee changes and other minor amendments)

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

O-6-2018-020 **ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO THE 2015 – 2018 SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL SALARY AND WAGE ORDINANCE.** (Adding Recycling Coordinator)

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

O-6-2018-021 **BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER O-8-2000-026 FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ON AUGUST 28, 2000 (WHICH PROVIDES FOR VARIOUS 2000 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS), AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, TO AMEND THE DESCRIPTION SET FORTH THEREIN TO INCLUDE NEW OPEN SPACE PROPERTY ACQUISITIONS.** (Block 15 Lot 3; Block 52.1, Lot 1)

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

O-6-2018-022 **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF LAND LOCATED AT 201 MOUNTS MILLS ROAD AND APPEARING ON THE OFFICIAL MUNICIPAL TAX MAP AS BLOCK 52.1, LOT 1 FOR OPEN SPACE.**

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

O-6-2018-023

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AND AGREEMENT WITH THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF COUNTY-GUARANTEED CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2018 OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY. (\$1,233,000.)

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

O-6-2018-024

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2018 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, ALL LAWFUL AND PUBLIC PURPOSES, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP"); APPROPRIATING \$3,454,000 THEREFOR (INCLUDING A GRANT RECEIVED OR EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$475,000) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,844,700 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF.

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

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

- R-6-2018-159** **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION #3 OF A CONTRACT WITH O'BRIEN & GERE ENGINEERING, INC. FOR PUMP STATION NO. 4, 9 & 10 UPGRADES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D."). (\$54,400.)**
- R-6-2018-160** **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION USING THE NEW JERSEY STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM (NJCP1) FOR VEHICLE GPS TRACKING SYSTEMS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE (INCLUDING M.T.U.D.). (\$37,834.81)**
- R-6-2018-161** **RESOLUTION REQUESTING RE-ALLOCATION OF UNEXPENDED FUNDS FROM THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. (\$31,543.50)**
- R-6-2018-162** **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF RAFFLE APPLICATION FEE. (\$100.00)**
- R-6-2018-163** **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVING OF APPLICATION FEES PERMITTED BY LAW IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE GURU NANAK SIKH HERITAGE, INC. SIKH TEMPLE. (\$575.00)**
- R-6-2018-164** **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WITH "TYCO" FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP SECURITY, FIRE, CAMERAS & ACCESS SYSTEMS. (\$60,000)**
- R-6-2018-165** **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS.**
- R-6-2018-166** **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO SEACOAST CONSTRUCTION FOR THE SPOTSWOOD & ELLINGHAM AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. (\$733,855.95)**
- R-6-2018-167** **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS.**
- R-6-2018-168** **RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948). (Municipal Court Alcohol Education & Rehabilitation Grant \$1,318.18)**
- R-6-2018-169** **RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948). (2018 Click It or Ticket Mobilization Grant \$5,500)**
- R-6-2018-170** **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH TRI-STATE LIGHT AND ENERGY INC. FOR AN AUDIT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT UNDER THE 70/30 DIRECT INSTALL PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.**
- R-6-2018-171** **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION TO A CONTRACT AWARDED TO GREENLEAF LANDSCAPE SYSTEMS & SERVICES FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP 2018 LANDSCAPING SERVICES. (Additional \$1,400.)**

R-6-2018-172

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE FULL FUNDING OF THE
HOMESTEAD REBATE PROGRAM.**

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

12. Mayor's Report.

13. Administrator's Report.

14. Engineer's Report.

15. Council's Reports.

16. Public. (5 Minutes per Speaker)

17. Adjournment. Time: _____

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 6, 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 Leonard Baskin, Councilwoman Miriam 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:

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4. Sent to those individuals who have requested personal notice.

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Council President Dalina read aloud the proclamation for **Flag Day – June 14th**.

Mayor Tamburro read aloud the proclamation for the “Township of Monroe Special Olympics Athlete Rhea Alathur” and presented Rhea with a gold medal that said “I Love Monroe”. Mr. Alathur thanked the Township for all of their love and support and said it has been an emotional journey for their family but thinks with all of the support given to Rhea she will come home with a few medals.

Council President Dalina asked Councilwoman Cohen to come up and join Mayor Tamburro as he read aloud the proclamation declaring Monroe Township a “Mental Health Illness Stigma Free Town” and further explained that the Mayor’s Youth Advisory Committee took on the challenge of mental health stigmas and coordinated a presentation to be held with a guest speaker who spoke with the high school students about mental health, noting that the following day he would be traveling to Parkland High School in Florida to speak with the students who experienced the loss of 17 classmates due the latest school shooting which took place there. Mayor Tamburro and Councilwoman Cohen presented the members of the Mayor’s Youth Advisory Committee with an award for their hard work and dedication. Councilwoman Cohen added that it has been a pleasure to be a part of this committee as these children are all very hard working and caring children who have the tools they need for further success in life.

Council President Dalina introduced Austin Aiken who will be attending the United States Coast Guard Academy. Council President Dalina has known Austin most of his life having coached him in several sports and watching him grow up. Council President Dalina then introduces Senior Chief Patrick J. Bouchard, officer in charge USCG Hawser which came forward and stated the following: USCG is ranked among the nation’s most prestigious and selective institutions of higher learning. The Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut is an academic and military community educating future leaders for America. Each year approximately 10,000 students inquire about admissions, of those 300 will be appointed and sworn in this summer to the Class of 2022. Since there are no congressional nominations, Coast Guard Academy appointments are based on merit. Therefore, the most qualified applicants are selected through a holistic review process. Senior Chief Patrick J. Bouchard then asks Cadet Austin Aiken to come forward as he presents him with an appointment to the Class of 2022.

Council President Dalina introduced Athletic Director Greg Beyer, who stated that it was with great pleasure to be in attendance at tonight's meeting to talk about the great men on the Monroe Township High School Boys Hockey Team who have persevered and are now GMC Conference Champions. Coach Mitner came forward and thanked the Mayor for having them here and for their support and extended congratulations to the team for a great season. Awards were then presented to the team: Jacob Bailey, Michael Benedetti, Charles Burkshot, Michael Conover, Matthew DeLuca, Samuel Fishteyn, Vincent Foresta, Kenneth Helms, Anthony Lane, Kyle Lange, Marino Lupo, Dominic Micalizzi, Jonathan Petrow, James Petrie, Austen Poye, Michael Russo, James Siravo, Matthew Skobelev, Bryant Skurbe, Max Tucker, Gleb Veremyev, Anthony Zito for their achievement in obtaining the GMC Championship.

Council President Dalina introduced Chief Michael Lloyd to come forward for the swearing in of Police Captain Michael Biennas. Chief Lloyd stated that he has the great fortune of leading the officers of this Township and thanked all of them for coming out to attend this ceremony. He gave a brief background of Michael Biennas' career noting that he started in 1987 as a patrolman, he was then promoted to sergeant in 1999 and then lieutenant in 2014. He spent most of his career in the patrol division and served as traffic safety sergeant. Chief Lloyd mentioned Captain Biennas' wife Eileen, children, parents, sister and extended family and friends were present to support him this evening. Township Clerk Patricia Reid comes forward to administered the oath of office to Captain Biennas as his wife, Eileen holds the bible for him and his children Jacqueline, Kaitlynn, Zachary, Madeline and Gabriel stand in attendance and support.

Mayor Tamburro congratulated Captain Biennas and stated that Monroe Township is the 29th Safest Township in the nation because of our officers and all of those who work in the department. Our officers have stepped forward to provide security in the schools when needed and their dedication and commitment to our Township is appreciated.

Councilman Dipierro congratulated Captain Biennas and stated that as a lifetime resident of Monroe watching the town grow and our Police Department is second to none protecting our community and keeping it safe.

Council Vice-President Schneider congratulated Captain Biennas and thanked all of the officers for their hard work in keeping our town safe.

Councilman Baskin extended his congratulations and thanked the officers for their efforts, especially being in the schools.

Councilwoman Cohen congratulated Captain Biennas for his promotion and thanked the officers for all of their hard work in keeping our community safe.

Council President Dalina thanked all of the officers for protecting all of us in the community and was very touched watching the officers and Captain Biennas' family beam with pride as the oath was taken.

A five-minute recess was taken and the meeting was recalled to order at 7:34pm.

UPON MOTION made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **CLAIMS** per run date of **05/24/2018** 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 Councilman Baskin, the **MINUTES** of the **April 30, 2018 Agenda Meeting, May 7, 2018 Regular Meeting and May 30, 2018 Agenda 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

Councilman Baskin noted a spelling error in the May 7, 2018 minutes to be corrected.

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second reading for final passage:
O-5-2018-016 ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO THE 2015 – 2018 SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL SALARY AND WAGE ORDINANCE.

ORDINANCE as follows: (O-5-2018-016)

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

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

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>2016 to 2018</u> <u>SALARY AND WAGE RANGES</u>	
Chief of Police	\$150,000.00	to \$186,100.00

SECTION 2. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

SO ORDAINED, as aforesaid.

No Public Comment.

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption:

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-5-2018-016

UPON MOTION made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was moved on second 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.

ORDINANCE as follows: (O-5-2018-017)

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. The intersection of Perrineville Road (County Road 625) and Federal Road shall be controlled by a Traffic Control Signal in accordance with the As-Built Traffic Signal Plan bearing the date of February 6, 2018 as built and the Timing Directive bearing the date of June 1, 2017.

SECTION 2. The Traffic Control Signal shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, Title 39 of the Revised Statutes and the New Jersey Administration, County Standards and ADA Standards. Said Traffic Control Signal shall be operated in conformance with the designated Plan.

SECTION 3. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. 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 5. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

SECTION 6. Upon final passage and adoption, the Township Clerk shall forward two certified copies of this Ordinance to Richard Wallner, PE, Middlesex County Engineer, P.O. Box 871, 333 Townsend Street, New Brunswick, N.J. 08903, and the Middlesex County Planning Board and to the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders for a consenting resolution.

SO ORDAINED, as aforesaid.

No Public Comment.

UPON MOTION made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, 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-5-2018-017

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for Final Passage:

O-6-2018-018 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "LAND DEVELOPMENT". (Fee amendment)

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-6-2018-018

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen 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-6-2018-019 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES. (Construction & MTUD fee changes and other minor amendments)

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-6-2018-019

Councilman Dipierro asked when the fees will take place; Administrator Weinberg answered that the second reading would be held on July 2nd, with an effective date of 20 days from when the Mayor signs. The MTUD fee changes have an effective date of July 1st as noted in the ordinance but regarding the Planning & Construction fees, the new fee schedule will only apply to new permits coming into effect 20 days after the Mayor signs it. Councilman Dipierro asked if there would be a grandfathered time period; Administrator Weinberg stated that anyone who submitted permits before the Mayor signs would be grandfathered in and anyone who would submitted after would pay the new fees.

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen 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-6-2018-020 ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO THE 2015 – 2018 SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL SALARY AND WAGE ORDINANCE. (Adding Recycling Coordinator)

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-6-2018-020

Councilman Dipierro commented that this is something that helps our community really well and is definitely a positive benefit to the community.

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

O-6-2018-021 BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER O-8-2000-026 FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ON AUGUST 28, 2000 (WHICH PROVIDES FOR VARIOUS 2000 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS), AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, TO AMEND THE DESCRIPTION SET FORTH THEREIN TO INCLUDE NEW OPEN SPACE PROPERTY ACQUISITIONS. (Block 15 Lot 3; Block 52.1, Lot 1)

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-6-2018-021

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-6-2018-022 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF LAND LOCATED AT 201 MOUNTS MILLS ROAD AND APPEARING ON THE OFFICIAL MUNICIPAL TAX MAP AS BLOCK 52.1, LOT 1 FOR OPEN SPACE.

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-6-2018-022

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for Final Passage:

O-6-2018-023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AND AGREEMENT WITH THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF COUNTY-GUARANTEED CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2018 OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY. (\$1,233,000.)

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-6-2018-023

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-6-2018-024 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2018 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, ALL LAWFUL AND PUBLIC PURPOSES, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP"); APPROPRIATING \$3,454,000 THEREFOR (INCLUDING A GRANT RECEIVED OR EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$475,000) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,844,700 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF.

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-6-2018-024

RESOLUTIONS for CONSIDERATION under the CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilman Dipierro had a question regarding R-6-2018-160 and asked if the GPS tracking systems would be installed on the department head and supervisor vehicles; Administrator Weinberg answered that all active vehicles will have the GPS tracking systems.

Mayor Tamburro commented that in regards to R-6-2018-172 it had come to his attention that this year the residents tax rebate was cut in half, so letters were sent out to the Governor's Office requesting to have that money put back in the budget, as the amount is approximately \$1,400,000 lost. He stated that the Speaker and Senate President are in favor of putting that back into the budget and hopes his efforts will be recognized.

Council President commented that he is very excited about R-6-2018-166 as it is a long overdue paving project on Spotswood-Ellingham Avenue.

Councilman Dipierro commented that in regards to R-6-2018-163, it is a Q farm property and he is hoping we are not going to sacrifice any roll back taxes being that it is going to be a temple and no longer used for farming. Administrator Weinberg stated that he is sure our tax officers will make sure the law is followed and we do not lose any money or fees associated with that.

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

R-6-2018-159 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION #3 OF A CONTRACT WITH O'BRIEN & GERE ENGINEERING, INC. FOR PUMP STATION NO. 4, 9 & 10 UPGRADES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D."). (\$54,400.)

WHEREAS, the Monroe Township Utility Department (M.T.U.D.) seeks additional Professional Sewer Engineering Services in relation to Pump Stations Nos. 4, 9 & 10 Upgrades; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution to Resolution R-8-2015-194 adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on August 3, 2015, a Contract was awarded to O'Brien and Gere, Inc. for Pump Station Nos. 4, 9 & 10 Upgrades in the amount of \$196,300.00; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor, O'Brien and Gere, Inc. has previously requested and received approval on Resolution No. R-4-2016-130 for Modification #1 in the amount of \$49,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor, O'Brien and Gere, Inc. has previously requested and received approval on Resolution No. R-7-2016-221 for Modification #2 in the amount of \$9,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor, O'Brien and Gere, Inc. has submitted a request for Modification #3 for Design Revisions, New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Application and Bid/Design Services during Construction rate increase; and

WHEREAS, the Utility Department Director by copy of a memo dated May 17, 2018 recommends the Council approve and award the contract Modification #3 to O'Brien and Gere, Inc. based on their proposal, a copy of which is attached hereto at Exhibit "C"; and

WHEREAS, as per the proposal, the fees for said additional services to be performed in the amount of \$54,400.00 bring the new agreement total to Three Hundred and Eight Thousand Dollars (\$308,000.00); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No. M-180031, 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 O'Brien and Gere, Inc. for Professional Sewer Engineering 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 O'Brien and Gere, Inc. in accordance with the attached proposal;
- (3) The contract modification is awarded without competitive bidding through a fair and open RFQ process as a "professional service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:112-5(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-6-2018-160 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION USING THE NEW JERSEY STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM (NJCP1) FOR VEHICLE GPS TRACKING SYSTEMS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE (INCLUDING M.T.U.D.). (\$37,834.81)

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe does not have a Global Positioning System (GPS) for its municipal fleet; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to acquire services for a GPS Tracking System for various fleet vehicles: and

WHEREAS, demonstrations and proposals were solicited for this service by three (3) industry leaders, and SHI International Corporation presented the most advantageous proposals judged by the evaluation team; and

WHEREAS, SHI International Corporation has submitted a proposal dated April 19, 2018 in the amount of \$37,834.81 based on the current vehicle count and unit pricing, to provide said System for 130 vehicles including installation and training and internet-based real-time fleet tracking and management software, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C"; and

WHEREAS, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent, who was acting as the evaluation team leader, has recommended in a letter dated April 23, 2018, that a three (3) year contract be awarded to the low bidder SHI International Corporation, based upon the unit pricing and estimated quantities contained within their proposal, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "D"; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Division of Purchase and Property via its Cooperative Purchasing Program (NJCP1) has awarded Contract Index No. M0003 said software, hardware and peripherals through a competitive bidding process to SHI International Corporation (of Somerset, New Jersey); and

WHEREAS, it is required by law that any "state contract" purchase which exceeds the bid threshold of the Township (\$40,000.00) in aggregate, be authorized by the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total amount for these vehicles exceeds the Township's bid threshold in aggregate; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of Township funds in Certificate No. _____, 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 Financial Officer has certified availability of M.T.U.D. funds in Certificate No. M-180025 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) Authorizes a three (3) year contract for a Vehicle GPS Tracking System from SHI International Corporation using the State Contract Term No. M0003; and
- (2) The Township Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for software, hardware and peripherals delivered by SHI International Corporation, respectively.; and
- (3) 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-6-2018-161 RESOLUTION REQUESTING RE-ALLOCATION OF UNEXPENDED FUNDS FROM THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. (\$31,543.50)

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe participates in the Middlesex County Housing and Community Development Program to provide programs and facilities for low- and moderate-income residents in the Township; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Township that certain projects have been completed or deferred while other projects require additional funding; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to re-allocate a portion of the unexpended funds;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council endorses the request for the re-allocation of the Township’s unexpended HCD funds as follows:

<u>From</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ADA Ryan Field Improvements	\$31,543.50	Dey Farm ADA Improvements	\$31,543.50
TOTAL	\$31,543.50	TOTAL	\$31,543.50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that three (3) certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Paul Buckley, Middlesex County Housing and Community Development Office, 75 Bayard Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2018-162 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF RAFFLE APPLICATION FEE. (\$100.00)

WHEREAS, a request was received by the Clerk’s Office from the Forsgate Foundation requesting a refund of their raffle application fee for a Casino Night scheduled to be held on June 9, 2018, which they have decided to cancel due to the various changing regulatory requirements by the State to obtain the proper licensing to conduct this type of event; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk, by copy of a correspondence dated May 21, 2018, attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, has recommended the Council approve the following raffle application refund:

<u>Refund to:</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Forsgate Foundation 375 Forsgate Drive Monroe Twp., N.J. 08831	License # RL-030-18 Request for refund No longer holding Casino Night	\$100.00

WHEREAS, Council has reviewed the recommendation of the Municipal Clerk and finds the request for the above refund to be reasonable;

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 request is hereby authorized and that a refund be made to **Forsgate Foundation in the amount of \$100.00.**

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2018-163 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVING OF APPLICATION FEES PERMITTED BY LAW IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE GURU NANAK SIKH HERITAGE, INC. SIKH TEMPLE. (\$575.00)

WHEREAS, Guru Nanak Sikh Heritage Inc. has made application, BA-5152-17, to construct a house of worship on the property located at 29 Wycoff Mills Road and shown as Block 13, Lot 2 on the Tax Map of the Township of Monroe; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Monroe Township Code Chapter 108-15.1J, the Board can make recommendation to the Township Council to waive all or any portion of the fee schedules based upon the non-profit status of the applicant; and

WHEREAS, by correspondence dated May 22, 2018, and attached as exhibit A, it is the recommendation of the Planning Director that the Township Council considers the waiver of the following fees for Application BA-5152-17:

<u>Fee:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
“D” Variance Application Fee:	\$100.00
Preliminary Site Plan Fee:	\$375.00
Final Preliminary Major Site Plan Fee:	<u>\$100.00;</u> \$575.00; and

WHEREAS, said request has been reviewed by the Township Council and has found said request to be reasonable; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the above noted application fees incurred Guru Nanak Sikh Heritage, Inc. with respect to the construction of their new Sikh Temple to be located at 29 Wycoff Mills Road and known as Block 13, Lot 2 on the official Tax Maps of the Township of Monroe, be and are hereby waived.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

**R-6-2018-164 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WITH
“TYCO” FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP SECURITY, FIRE, CAMERAS &
ACCESS SYSTEMS. (\$60,000)**

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2015, the Township Council passed Resolution No. R-7-2015-169 authorizing the award of contract to Tyco Integrated Systems LLC. (“Tyco”), 2 Tower Center Blvd, Suite 1946, East Brunswick, N.J. 08816, for Monroe Township’s Security, Fire, Cameras & Access Systems (monitoring, maintenance & installation) for a three (3) year term beginning January 1, 2015 and expiring December 31, 2017 with an option for a two (2) year extension; and

WHEREAS, the attached letter dated April 26, 2018 indicates the willingness of Tyco to extend the contract to December 31, 2019, under the same terms, conditions and pricing contained within their original contract, a copy of which is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the attached letter dated May 25, 2018 from the Monroe Township Business Administrator recommends that the contract be extended for two (2) years expiring December 31, 2019, a copy of which is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified in Certificate No. **C-150034**, a copy of which is attached hereto, that sufficient funds are available; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it hereby authorizes the contract with Tyco for Monroe Township’s Security, Fire, Cameras & Access Systems be extended for an additional two (2) years, expiring December 31, 2019, under the current rates, terms and conditions contained within their original contract.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

**R-6-2018-165 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 two thousand three hundred dollars and no cents (\$2,300.00),

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-6-2018-166 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO
SEACOAST CONSTRUCTION FOR THE SPOTSWOOD & ELLINGHAM
AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. (\$733,855.95)**

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2018, seven (7) sealed bids were received by Monroe Township regarding the Spotswood & Ellingham Avenue Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, by copy of letter dated May 22, 2018, has recommended *Seacoast Construction, 15 Addington Court East Brunswick, N.J. 08816* be awarded the contract based upon their bid submission in the amount of **\$733,855.95**; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed the recommendations made by the Township Engineer regarding said bid; and

WHEREAS, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as set forth in Certificate No. **C-1800037**, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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 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, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of contract to *Seacoast Construction* for the **Spotswood & Ellingham Avenue Improvement Project**, at a total contract price of **\$733,855.95**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with *Seacoast Construction*; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay *Seacoast Construction* in accordance with the contract entered into between the parties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the contract is awarded with the stipulation that *Seacoast Construction* 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-6-2018-167 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 Twenty-two thousand eight hundred eighty-seven dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$22,887.98) 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-6-2018-168 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948). (Municipal Court Alcohol Education & Rehabilitation Grant \$1,318.18)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for Year 2018 in the sum of \$1,318.18, which is now available as a revenue from the Municipal Court Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Grant;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$1,318.18 is hereby appropriated under the caption:

“MUNICIPAL COURT ALCOHOL EDUCATION & REHABILITATION GRANT”

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2018-169 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948). (2018 Click It or Ticket Mobilization Grant \$5,500)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for Year 2018 in the sum of \$5,500.00, which is now available as a revenue from the 2018 Click It or Ticket Mobilization Grant;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$5,500.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption:

“2018 CLICK IT OR TICKET MOBILIZATION GRANT”

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2018-170 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH TRI-STATE LIGHT AND ENERGY INC. FOR AN AUDIT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT UNDER THE 70/30 DIRECT INSTALL PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

WHEREAS, the Township is aware that the Board of Public Utilities in its final energy audit report issued November 19, 2015 has established the Direct Install Program (hereinafter called “the Program”) which provides energy efficiency grants which target small facilities with a peak demand of less than 250kw and provides up to 70% for the cost of eligible upgrades including HVAC, lighting, etc. with a cap of \$125,000.00 for each project; and

WHEREAS, the Program operates through participating contractors designated by the BPU who perform program services including the initial energy assessment to identify equipment to be replaced, arranging for program approval of the chosen improvements, and performing the actual equipment replacement pursuant to established and set pricing for all participating contractors; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, approved the bidding and contractor selection process used by the BPU to select Program participating contractors met the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to BPU guidelines, only contractors certified to perform services under the Program are allowed to perform said work;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe that the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized to execute a contract with the BPU approved vendor for Middlesex County, Tri-State Light & Energy, 855 Sussex Boulevard, Broomall, Pennsylvania 19008 to conduct a study of the Police Department energy use and install energy efficient improvements under the 70/30 Direct Install Program subject to the approval of the Township Council by resolution and appropriation of funds for said project.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2018-171 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION TO A CONTRACT AWARDED TO GREENLEAF LANDSCAPE SYSTEMS & SERVICES FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP 2018 LANDSCAPING SERVICES. (Additional \$1,400.)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R-6-2017-173, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on June 7, 2017, a contract was awarded to Greenleaf Landscape Systems & Services, 276 Pine Brook Road Eatontown, N.J. 07724; and

WHEREAS, said contract was extended through December 31, 2018 pursuant to Resolution No. R-12-2017-370, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 27, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Monroe Township Department of Public Works has requested the current contract be modified to include the bi-weekly mowing of the Princess Court and Duchess Drive basins; and

WHEREAS, Greenleaf Landscape Systems & Services has provided an estimate for the additional work at a cost of \$140.00 per cut, total cost not to exceed an additional \$1,400.00 to the current contract price; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed the request and has found same to be reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified in Certificate No. **C-1700028**, a copy of which is attached hereto, that sufficient funds are available;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it hereby authorizes the contract with Greenleaf Landscape Systems & Services, be modified in the amount of *One Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$1400.00)*.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2018-172 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE FULL FUNDING OF THE HOMESTEAD REBATE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Homestead Rebate Program has been a very important source of property tax relief for Monroe Township seniors, the disabled and families making under \$75,000 per year; and

WHEREAS, funding for this critical program has been slashed in Trenton over the last several years and it is significantly impacting our residents; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's first state budget proposes an additional 50% cut to this program; and

WHEREAS, Monroe Township's Mayor and Council are fighting to make sure full funding is restored to the Homestead Rebate Program before the June 30, 2018 budget deadline; and

WHEREAS, our 14th District Legislators, Senator Linda Greenstein, Assemblyman Daniel Benson and Assemblyman Wayne DeAngelo are also very supportive of this initiative and are working hard to see the program funding fully restored in the new final state budget; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin has made a public commitment to restore full funding to this program in the State Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Monroe Township Mayor and Council recognize the leadership of our Legislators and Assembly Speaker and encourage their continued efforts in this fight.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that we hereby recognize the hardship this benefit cut has put on our residents and hereby authorize the Mayor and Business Administrator to take all necessary steps they can to support the restoration of full funding to the Homestead Rebate Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be sent by the Municipal Clerk to the Governor, Senate President Speaker and members of the 14th Legislative District.

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

REPORTS:

Mayor's Report – Mayor Tamburro reported that regarding additional school funding approximately 3 years ago we met with the Senate President and they had a plan to reduce the overfunding that is being given to a handful of districts and he believes that the Senate President is intending to move forward with that. Currently we receive \$344,000 and if the plan goes through we would then receive a substantial amount more.

In regards to the Ordinance for purchasing land on Buckelew Avenue and Mounts Mills Road our intent is to purchase as Open Space.

Monroe News went out in the mail and it is a very good edition filled with very pertinent information. If any area is not receiving the Monroe News, please reach out to our office and we will fix that.

The Seniors vs. Seniors games were held, where high school seniors and our resident seniors compete in various games.

Wonderful turnout from the Veteran's Club of Stonebridge for our Memorial Day ceremonies.

Fourth of July fireworks are noted as being better than Macy's. Shuttle buses will be going to the park starting at 5pm.

Administrator's Report – Administrator Weinberg reported that 7 bids were received for the Spotswood-Ellingham road project, all which came in under estimate. He is very excited and eager to get that under way.

Eager that the traffic light signal at Federal Road and Perrineville Road will be turned over to the County.

Moving forward with the water/sewer optional repair plan. The information will be going out to residents shortly, and in order to participate it will be an "opt in" process.

Went out to bid for Bond Anticipation Notes, BANS, and received a rate of 1.79% which is great due to our AA+ bond rating.

The GPS tracking systems will be a great tool for efficiency and customer service.

Reported that we will continue to work with legislators for our fair share of school funding and receiving the full benefit of the Homestead Rebate.

An item on the agenda was for another 70/30 grant for energy efficiency. Our municipal building received a new boiler and lighting and this resolution on tonight's agenda is for the same program to be applied to the Police Department.

Engineer's Report – Engineer Rasimowicz reported that the Spotswood-Ellingham Avenue project was awarded to Sea Coast Construction. This is for over ¾ mile of roadway to receive roadway reconstruction, curb installation and ADA improvements.

Our soccer complex is completed with the lighting and artificial turf field.

NJ Natural Gas will be replacing their existing gas main that runs through the Township. He noted that there may be one day of road closures but advanced notification will be given via Nixle. The crews are working now off of Cranbury-South River Road which will take about 6 months to complete.

JCP&L will be conducting their annual vegetation aerial patrols of transmission lines from June 12 through the 14th weather permitting. You may see a helicopter flying and circling around.

Received notice from NJDOT regarding the railroad crossing at South Middlesex & Applegarth Road; the reconstruction of the crossing will be awarding next week with the anticipation of construction within the next few months.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Dipierro –

- Attended the 5k at Thompson Park for Om Parikh; there was a huge turnout and it was nice to see the family and community come together.
- Attended the Memorial Day ceremonies at the municipal building. There was a great turnout and reminded everyone that the sacrifices of those who have served is what allows us to live the lives we live.

- Attended the Senior Awards Dinner at the Recreation Center for the senior sports recognition which was a very nice event.
- Thanked the Utility Department for their hard work and support regarding the work that they are helping out with the soccer fields and Daniel Ryan field.
- During the last storm our DPW had been working in the detention basins and standing in water up to their chest to make sure our residents would not get flooded.
- Middlesex County will be holding a paper shredding event at Spotswood High School on Saturday, July 28th from 9:00 am to 2:00pm.
- The annual fishing derby will be held on August 14th at Thompson Park.

Council Vice-President Schneider –

- Attended the League of Women Voter's 30th Anniversary celebration, where Leah Wagner, Leslie Koppel and John Katerba were all honored.
- The Historic Dey Farm will be holding an event on Sunday, July 15th where you can pack a lunch and tour the old school grounds.
- Rossmoor also had a Memorial Day ceremony which was very moving. She reminded that Memorial Day is a day to remember those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom.
- Attended Eagle Scout ceremonies for 4 individuals and was very lucky to have been invited to all of these events and watch these young men accept this wonderful honor.
- Attended an Arbor Day event at Woodland School where it was a great day for the children plant a tree and learned all about the importance of trees.
- As the Liaison to the Committee on Aging, a celebration was held for those who turn 90 years old which was a wonderful event.
- The volunteer luncheon will be held on July 31st; very proud of all of our volunteers for all of their hard work.
- Tonight was the Empty Bowl Auction, which works to raise funds for 5 different food pantries.

Councilwoman Cohen –

- The Cultural Arts Program will begin their summer concert series on July 12th and ending August 16th. All information is on the website and it is reminded to bring a chair and have fun.
- The Cable Advisory Commission is meeting monthly and reviewing the deliverables that the cable franchises promise so that they can apply to renew their license. The next meeting will be on June 20th at 7:00pm in the Mayor's Conference Room. A public meeting will be held in the Fall with the dates being published shortly, she welcomes suggestions and input.

Councilman Baskin –

- Attended the Memorial Day ceremonies where the Stonebridge Veteran's Club was a very big contributor to the event, as they have 116 members in their Veteran's Club.
- Attended the League of Women Voter's 30th anniversary celebration which was a very significant event as they play a very important role in the elections of this town.
- The Green Fair is scheduled for September 29th at the high school.
- The household hazardous waste collection is scheduled for July 20th from 12:00-6:00pm at the East Brunswick Vocational School.

Council President Dalina –

- Congratulated Leah Wagner who was named President of the NJ Library Association.
- The Genealogy Club will be holding an event on June 13th at the library with guest speaker, Betty Epstein.
- The Summer Camp Program will begin at the Recreation Center on June 26th as there are still openings available. He highly recommends our MT. SEPA camp as well.

Public:

Mark Totillo, 5 Union Hill Rd. – Mr. Totillo commented that in regards to the Matchponix Brook on May 26th his basement flooded and on May 27th there was 30" of water in the driveway of his home. He lost over \$10,000 in belongings due to flood damage. He added that there are so many trees that obstruct the brook and the catch basin is completely clogged. DPW came and removed the debris so at least the water is flowing but they did note that a complete clean out needs to be done. Engineer Rasimowicz commented that he will meet with DPW Director, Wayne Horbatt to look at the obstructions and will report back to the Administration with their findings. Mr. Totillo left pictures for the Mayor and Council to review as well.

Mark Klein, 7 Crenshaw Ct. – Mr. Klein commented that unfortunately he had to miss the Memorial Day ceremonies due to doctor's appointments but people saw his service hat that he wears regularly and wished him a Happy Memorial Day anyway. He reminded everyone that Memorial Day is not a happy day as it is a day to remember those who have sacrificed their lives for us.

In regards to the school funding many know that he was on the school board and had a hard time getting backing from the Board to go after our fair share of funding. Roughly 15 districts are suing for more money but our school board does not want to sue. In reading the Mayor's column in the Monroe News, he extended thanks to him for his fight for fair funding and homestead rebate, stating "finally a Mayor who will fight". Mr. Klein further shared his thoughts on the inadequate funding that we are receiving.

Spiro Drake, Garden Falls/Stone Museum – Mr. Drake commented that he owns the property known as Garden Falls or the Stone Museum. He bought the property in 1970 and put a 5-acre lake for a retention pond so he could collect the water for his irrigation. A few weeks ago, there was a flood and now since building has been happening next to him, they are putting a retention pond on the other side of the street when it should be put on the same side as him. He stated that he would donate 2 acres of his land for them to put a lake or retention pond to avoid further flooding issues as this will become problematic.

Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr. – Thanked everyone for their support incoming out to the 5k held in memory of Om Parikh.

Mr. Parab commented that Senate President Sweeney's bill is at least a step in the right direction. He further states that the formula used still isn't good and needs to be fixed, we need to lobby the Governor. He requests that the Mayor and Council make some phone calls and reach out to the Board of Education as well to get everyone on track to work together to fight for our fair share of funding. He states the Board of Education is not doing a good job, the Mayor and Council is not who is in charge of this.

Gary Busman, 7 Monarch Rd. – Mr. Busman commented that it is very important for residents to come forward and air their concerns so that the appropriate action can take place by the Mayor and Council because at the last meeting Lori Winter voiced her concerns regarding the traffic and speeding on Federal Road and someone from the Council must have notified the Police Department as he witnessed three citations given out to motorists. He added that he appreciates the action that the Township has taken regarding this resident's concern. Council President Dalina added that the Administration reached out to the Chief of Police to pass along the concern and that is how it was addressed.

Roger West, 34K Locust Dr. – Mr. West commented that the property located at 244 Matchaponix Road looks as though it is now a bank owned property that at one time had construction started on it and is now left looking as though it is an open construction site with dangerous rebar and debris left all over. The grass on the property is six feet tall but there appears to be no violation stickers posted anywhere. He wanted to know why it appears that nothing has been done regarding this property but the Zoning Officer has been out to his property and made him sell off some of his equipment which did not need to be sold. Administrator Weinberg commented that certified letters have been given out to that address.

Mr. West asked if the Township is supposed to adhere to the ordinances as well because he notes that the DPW yard does not appear to follow the fire ordinance or mulch ordinance. He added that it is very upsetting to a lot of the people in the mulch industry who are now being prosecuted for having this type of business and the farmers of this community who refer to the Mayor and Council as the "Monroe Mafia"; Mayor Tamburro interjected and stated that he did not find that comment at all funny, to which Mr. West stated that he did not find it funny either and that he is really hurting financially, physically and emotionally by this lawsuit. He added he does not understand why he is the only one being sued as it feels like the Township is trying to eradicate him just as they have gone after the Greek and his property citing him numerous violations when all he does is help those in need and has even offered to donate two acres of his own land. Council President Dalina stated that there would be no discussion of any matters that are in litigation, to which Mr. West ended his commentary by stating that he hopes that whoever is writing these ordinances and is prosecuting the Greek "may their souls rot in hell". Council President, hit the gavel and told Mr. West he was out of order.

Lori Winters, 308 Federal Rd. – Thanked Mr. Busman for his comments made earlier. She also noted that she has made her voice public on Facebook letting people know that if they have concerns then they need to let the Township know so they can be addressed. She mentioned that she had a meeting with the Chief of Police and learned a lot as well, most importantly that if you see something say something. She added that there were many steps taken to move forward and just wanted to say thank you and that it is appreciated.

George Gunkelman, 5 Kelly Ct. – Mr. Gunkelman had a question regarding O-6-2018-021, asking for clarification that this bond ordinance goes back to 2000 because there are funds that have not been taken down; Administrator Weinberg answered that this is when we initiated the Open Space Trust Fund and we continue to add properties to that ordinance to purchase them with Open Space Trust Fund monies. Mr. Gunkelman asked why this is a bond ordinance and asked what the balance is; Administrator Weinberg answered that there is about \$4,000,000 in the fund and we collect \$1.1 or \$1.2 million dollars a year which is what we use to collect and pay down our debt on previously purchased properties. Administrator Weinberg added more clarification to Mr. Gunkelman’s question.

Mr. Gunkelman asked in regards to O-6-2018-019 what the fees can be used for; Administrator Weinberg answered that it is limited to the department and recently there were changes to the building code and as a result the department is experiencing a loss.

Lucille DiPasquale, 70 Ave K – Thanked the Mayor, Council and professionals for the experience of celebrating Arbor Day at Woodland School on May 25th. She noted the importance of trees added that everyone should make a resolution to save the life of a tree.

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 9:04pm.

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

Minutes were adopted on: July 2, 2018.