

**COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE**  
**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING - - JANUARY 5, 2011**

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

The Regular Meeting was Called to Order at 7:30 p.m. by Council President Gerald W. Tamburro with a Salute to the Flag.

**UPON ROLL CALL** by Township Clerk, Sharon Doerfler, the following members of Council were present: Councilwoman Leslie Koppel, Councilman Michael Leibowitz, Council Vice-President Henry L. Miller and Council President Gerald W. Tamburro.

**ALSO PRESENT** for Council was: Mayor Richard Pucci, Business Administrator Wayne R. Hamilton, Township Attorney Joel L. Shain and sitting in for the Township Engineer was Mark Rasimowicz.

**ABSENT:** Councilman Irwin Nalitt and Township Engineer Ernest W. Feist.

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

Council President Tamburro requested 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 of this meeting has been provided by the following:

1. Posted on January 8, 2010 on the Bulletin Board of the Office of the Township Clerk in the Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza and remains posted at that location for public inspection;
2. Printed in the **HOME NEWS TRIBUNE** and **CRANBURY PRESS** on January 8, 2010;
3. Posted on January 8, 2010 on the Bulletin Boards within the Municipal Complex;
4. Posted on the Monroe Township website; and
5. Sent to those individuals who have requested personal notice.

In accordance with Chapter 3, Section 17 of the Monroe Township Code, Public Comment shall be limited to five (5) minutes unless further time is granted by the Council President.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Koppel and seconded by Council Vice-President Miller, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,975,000 TO FUND THE PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF A COMPLETE PROGRAM OF REVALUATION OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE TOWNSHIP AS ORDERED BY THE NEW JERSEY SUPERIOR COURT.**

ROLL CALL: Councilwoman Leslie Koppel	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
Council Vice President Henry L. Miller	Aye
Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage: **ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PORTIONS OF AND EASEMENTS ON CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVEMENTS AT THE BUCKLEW AVENUE/HOFFMAN STATION INTERSECTION.**

ROLL CALL: Councilwoman Leslie Koppel	Aye
Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
Council Vice President Henry L. Miller	Aye
Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for final passage:  
**ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PORTIONS OF, AND EASEMENTS ON, CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVEMENTS AT THE BUCKELEW AVENUE/SPOTSWOOD-ENGLISHTOWN INTERSECTION.**

ROLL CALL:	Councilwoman Leslie Koppel	Aye
	Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
	Council Vice President Henry L. Miller	Aye
	Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, the following entitled **RESOLUTIONS** were moved for Adoption under the **CONSENT AGENDA**, as hereinbelow set forth:

ROLL CALL:	Councilwoman Leslie Koppel	Aye
	Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
	Council Vice President Henry L. Miller	Aye
	Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

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

- R-1-2011-0001      RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL TOWNSHIP NEWSPAPERS FOR YEAR 2011.** (Home News Tribune and Cranbury Press or Star Ledger)
- R-1-2011-002      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO HOLD TAX SALES DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2011.**
- R-1-2011-003      RESOLUTION FIXING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED ON DELINQUENT TAXES IN CY 2011.**
- R-1-2011-004      RESOLUTION APPOINTING PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011.**
- R-1-2011-005      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF VARIOUS MATERIALS AND SERVICES THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011 WITH EXTENSIONS & ADDENDUMS.**
- R-1-2011-006      RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXTENSION OF THE INTRODUCTION AND APPROVAL OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP 2011 ANNUAL BUDGET TO FEBRUARY 15, 2011.**
- R-1-2011-007      RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CY 2011 CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN.**
- R-1-2011-008      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2011 TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS.**
- R-1-2011-009      RESOLUTION GRANTING ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE PUBLIC OFFICER BOARD.**
- R-1-2011-010      RESOLUTION REFUNDING THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS.**
- R-1-2011-011      RESOLUTION REFUNDING TAX OVERPAYMENTS.**

- R-1-2011-012** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO DYNAMIC TESTING SERVICE FOR MEDICAL, EDUCATIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES RELATED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP'S SUBSTANCE AND ALCOHOL MISUSE POLICY AND TESTING SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011.
- R-1-2011-013** RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING GEORGE LANG AS CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.
- R-1-2011-014** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO D & H ALTERNATIVE RISK SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011 CLAIMS ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE.
- R-1-2011-015** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO STERLING DISANTO & ASSOCIATES FOR COMMERCIAL PROPERTY REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011.
- R-1-2011-016** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO GAGLIANO APPRAISAL, LLC FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011.
- R-1-2011-017** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO BETTINA DURMASKIN SHOLK FOR FARMLAND APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011.
- R-1-2011-018** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITIES DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") TO PURCHASE VARIOUS MATERIALS AND SERVICES THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM WITH EXTENSIONS AND ADDENDUMS.

Mayor – No Report.

Administrator – Mr. Hamilton announced that the bond counsel is preparing a bond ordinance which will be introduced on January 31, 2011 which will predicate an appearance before the Local Finance Board in February and the Public Hearing is scheduled for the end of February for those Tax Appeals that we will be allowed to spread the cost out over a three year period.

Engineer – No Report.

**Council:**

Councilwoman Koppel, Councilman Leibowitz, Council Vice-President Miller and Council President Tamburro wished everyone a Happy New Year.

**Public:**

Michele Arminio, 9 Nathaniel St. – Item #8.e. - Authorizing various purchases through NJ State Co-operative purchasing. - asked the value. Administrator Hamilton explained there is no value. This is just listing those companies that we will use during the course of a year where we know in advance we are going to be using State Contracts for various purchases.

Item #8.f. – Approving the extension of the Introduction & Approval of the 2011 Budget to Feb. 15, 2011 – Administrator Hamilton explained the way the Faulkner Act is written requires Introduction of the Budget by Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>. It tends to get later and later in the Calendar Year. This extension is required by law. The Public hearing would be around March.

Item #8.i. – Appointment of members to the Public Officer Board – asked who they are. Administrator Hamilton advised Zoning Officer Sal Profaci, Planning Inspector Sam Smith, and Construction Official Bob Downey.

Item #8.n. – Contract to D&H Alternative Risk Solutions – Administrator Hamilton explained that they handle our claims administration.

Items 8.o., p., & q. – (4) four real estate appraisal services – Administrator Hamilton explained that due to residential tax appeals and Open Space acquisitions the town feels the need for (2) residential, (1) commercial and (1) farm land appraiser. They are paid by fee schedule with a not to exceed amount.

Mark Klein, 53 Turnberry Dr. – mentioned the Supreme Court is looking into the Abbott decision again. Spoke about a meeting with Dr. Hamilton and Mike Gorski at the Board of Education. He recommended that the Board of Education look into a lawsuit and join with the Township.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Leibowitz and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel the Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 7:50pm.

ROLL CALL:	Councilwoman Leslie Koppel	Aye
	Councilman Michael Leibowitz	Aye
	Council Vice President Henry L. Miller	Aye
	Council President Gerald W. Tamburro	Aye

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SHARON DOERFLER, Township Clerk

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GERALD W. TAMBURRO, Council President

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