

**COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE**

**MINUTES**

**AGENDA MEETING – MAY 29, 2013**

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

The Agenda Meeting was Called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Gerald W. Tamburro with a Salute to the Flag.

**UPON ROLL CALL** by Township Clerk, Sharon Doerfler, the following members of Council were present: Councilman Stephen Dalina, Councilwoman Leslie Koppel, 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 Engineer Mark Rasimowicz, sitting in for Township Engineer Ernest W. Feist.

**ABSENT:** Councilman Michael Leibowitz and Township Engineer Ernest W. Feist

There were approximately six (6) members of the Public present in the audience.

Council President Tamburro requested the Clerk to read the following **SUNSHINE LAW** into the record:

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, it is hereby announced and shall be entered into the Minutes of this meeting that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the following:

1. Posted on January 4, 2013 on the Bulletin Board of the Office of the Township Clerk in the Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza and remains posted at that location for public inspection;
2. Printed in the **HOME NEWS TRIBUNE** and **CRANBURY PRESS** on January 4, 2013;
3. Posted on January 4, 2013 on the Bulletin Boards within the Municipal Complex;
4. Posted on the Monroe Township website; and
5. Sent to those individuals who have requested personal notice.

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

Council President Tamburro welcomed back Business Administrator Wayne Hamilton.

The following Proclamation of Mayor Richard Pucci was read into the record by Title:

***CLICK IT or TICKET MOBILIZATION***  
May 20 - June 2, 2013

Council President Tamburro read the following entitled **ORDINANCE** for **SECOND READING** at the **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2013** Regular Council Meeting:

- a. **ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DRAINAGE, SIDEWALK AND SHADE TREE EASEMENT FROM KRZYSZTOF AND ELZBIETA KOLUDA ON PORTIONS OF LOTS 21.01 & 36.01 IN BLOCK 147.09.**

- b. **ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DEED OF DEDICATION FROM LORI GARDENS ASSOCIATES, II, LLC FOR LOT 3.05 IN BLOCK 16.**

Council President Tamburro read the following entitled **ORDINANCE** for **INTRODUCTION** at the **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2013** Regular Council Meeting:

- a. **BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2013 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 \$1,975,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,880,200 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COSTS THEREOF.**

Council President Tamburro requested the following entitled **RESOLUTIONS**, a. through aa., listed for **CONSIDERATION** at the **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2013** Regular Council Meeting, be reviewed and will be happy to address any questions:

- a. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ASSIGNMENT OF TOWNSHIP TAX LIEN NO. 94-21 (BLOCK 23.4, LOT 18) TO LUCILLE DiPASQUALE.**
- b. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ULTRA LOW SULFUR DIESEL FUEL UNDER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITY DEPARTMENT.**
- c. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF GASOLINE UNDER THE SOMERSET COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING FOR THE TOWNSHIP AND UTILITY DEPARTMENT.**
- d. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR TO PREPARE SPECIFICATIONS AND ADVERTISE FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR PRINTING OF VARIOUS TAX AND UTILITY BILLS.**
- e. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF CONTRACT FOR 2013 MONROE TOWNSHIP PRINTING (GROUP A & B).**
- f. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN AND PURCHASE OF VARIOUS GOODS AND/OR SERVICES THROUGH THE MIDDLESEX REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION ("MRESC") COOPERATIVE PURCHASING SYSTEM.**
- g. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 WITH A FINAL CLOSE-OUT OF CONTRACT NO. 399 SUBMITTED BY CLYDE N. LATTIMER & SON CONSTRUCTION CO., INC. FOR "WELL NUMBER 19 TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENT" FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- h. **RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL APPOINTING MEMBERS AND AN ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SOUTH CENTRAL MIDDLESEX COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL COMMISSION.**
- i. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO HATCH MOTT MACDONALD FOR 2013 WATER SYSTEM MASTER PERMIT UPDATE FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").**
- j. **RESOLUTION REFUNDING THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS.**
- k. **RESOLUTION REFUNDING TAX OVERPAYMENTS.**
- l. **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) "Click It or Ticket" Grant - \$4,000.00**

- m. **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) "Clean Communities Program" Grant - \$80,522.83**
- n. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES FOR THE 2013 – 2014 LICENSE TERM.**
- o. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF INACTIVE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE 2013-2014 LICENSE TERM.**
- p. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FURNITURE FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP SENIOR CENTER MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM UNDER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.**
- q. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WITH JAFFE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP PUBLICATION.**
- r. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE AND FIBER TECHNOLOGIES NETWORKS, L.L.C. TO PERMIT THE INSTALLATION, USE AND MAINTENANCE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES WITHIN THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR PURPOSES OF PROVIDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES.**
- s. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH ATLANTIC RESPONSE, INC. UNDER STATE CONTRACT NO. A-73836 TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY REMEDIATION OF SOIL AT THE MONROE TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.**

Councilwoman Koppel – Questioned Item #8.s. – Contract with Atlantic Response, Inc. to provide emergency remediation of soil at the Monroe Township Department of Public Works, asking the number of days of remediation. Business Administrator Hamilton explained that it started May 3<sup>rd</sup> and it is just about finished.

**Mayor Pucci** – No Report.

**Administrator Hamilton** – No Report

**Engineer Rasimowicz** – No Report

**Council Reports:**

**Councilman Dalina** – No Report

**Councilwoman Koppel** – relayed the Memorial Day Events

**Council Vice-President Miller** – No Report

**Council President Tamburro** – Spoke about the Scholarships awarded at the High School last Thursday evening. The first Scholarship went to a young lady going into nursing and the other to a young man going into civil engineering. Last Monday he, Councilman Dalina and Councilwoman Koppel attended the Awards that the Rec Program had for kids graduating from High School who had gone through the sports program for both the Rec Department and the School System.

**Public:**

**Charles Petretti**, 4 Wingate Ct. – commented on the good choice of flowers in front of the Municipal Building.

Spoke about the confusion of Monroe Township versus Township of Monroe.

Next he spoke about the Signs on South Middlesex Blvd. pointing to the Turnpike and recommended an additional Sign to be posted in the opposite direction.

Regarding the Monroe Shade Tree Commission, he asked if the Town Forester was a new position. Council President Tamburro explained it is a new person, not a new position.

Mr. Petretti stated the existing Sign for the 1987 Soccer Champs of the Township needs to go away, however, it was the general consensus of the Mayor and Council that it will not go away.

Questioned the Senior Center cost – the last number he heard was \$9,881,000 plus Change Orders. Administrator Hamilton explained what would be added to the overall cost and will have that total for him at the next meeting.

Mr. Petretti then asked if there is a kitchen in the new Senior Center and Administrator Hamilton explained there is a “café area” which will be available to outside groups. There is a full size kitchen for major events that the Senior Center runs.

He next commented on the stress crack in the middle of the front ramp and the Administrator stated he will have it looked at.

In looking at his tax bill, the breakdown percentages are as follows: 61% to the Board of Ed, 22% to Municipal Government, etc. and asked if the revaluation had an effect on the school budget and Administrator Hamilton stated it would not.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilwoman Koppel, the meeting was Adjourned at 7:12pm.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
	Councilwoman Leslie Koppel	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 were adopted on \_\_\_\_\_