

COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
MINUTES
AGENDA MEETING – OCTOBER 25, 2010

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 7:30 p.m. by Council President Gerald 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, Councilmen Michael Leibowitz and Irwin Nalitt, and Council President Gerald W. Tamburro.

ALSO PRESENT for Council was: Mayor Richard Pucci, Business Administrator Wayne R. Hamilton and Township Attorney Joel L. Shain.

ABSENT from this meeting were Council Vice-President Henry L. Miller and Township Engineer Ernest W. Feist.

There were approximately fifteen (15) members of the Public present in the audience.

Council President Tamburro 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 notice 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.

The Township Clerk further stated that 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.

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

NOVEMBER
PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Council President Tamburro read into the record the following entitled **ORDINANCE** for **SECOND READING** at the **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2010** Regular Council Meeting:

- a **BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER 0-7-2008-009 FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ON JULY 7, 2008 ENTITLED, “BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION PURPOSES, A LAWFUL PUBLIC PURPOSE, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNT OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE “TOWNSHIP”); APPROPRIATING \$6,000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$5,710,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF”, AS AMENDED BY BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER 0-3-2009-007 FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL ON MARCH 30, 2009, TO AMEND THE DESCRIPTION SET FORTH THEREIN.**

- b. **ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 33 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED, "DOGS, CATS AND OTHER ANIMALS."**
- c. **ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 27.02, LOT 19.03 ON THE TAX MAP OF MONROE TOWNSHIP.**
- d. **ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN PORTIONS OF PARCELS OF LAND IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 36, LOT 14 AND AS BLOCK 54, LOT 4 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE.**
- e. **ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 169, LOTS 10, 11.03 AND 12.01 ON THE TAX MAP OF MONROE TOWNSHIP.**
- f. **ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF AN EASEMENT ON A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 169.23, LOT 2 ON THE TAX MAP OF MONROE TOWNSHIP.**

Council President Tamburro read into the record the following entitled **RESOLUTIONS** for **CONSIDERATION** at the **MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2010** Regular Council Meeting:

Mayor - No Report.

Administrator Report – No Report.

Engineer – No Report.

Council's Reports.

Councilman Koppel – No Report.

Councilman Leibowitz – No Report.

Councilman Nalitt – No Report.

Council President Tamburro – Advised that the Council will have a Special Meeting on Saturday, November 6, 2010 at 1pm for the sole purpose of honoring Lance Corporal Colin Pascik who lost both legs in Afghanistan. Colin Pascik will be home and will be here with his family. Council President Tamburro and Councilman Leibowitz have been out raising monies throughout the adult communities at large to assist VFW Post 262 in their efforts to raise money to provide some assistance for this young man and his family.

Public:

Steve Gorbe, 113 Gravel Hill-Spotswood Rd. - read and presented a report prepared by James Carbin, Chief of Fire District #2 at Mr. Gorbe's request.

Michelle Arminio, Nathaniel St. - Questioned the following Items on the Agenda:

Item # 6.a. – Second Reading Ordinance accepting the conveyance of deed easement from 1470 Perrineville Rd. – questioned the source of funds. Administrator Hamilton explained that it is a conservation easement with funds coming out of Open Space. She then asked the amount of property to which Administrator Hamilton responded " 24.9 acres."

Item #7.a. – Ordinance for Introduction regarding the acquisition of an easement for Block 169.23, Lot 19.03 – MTUD Director Mike Rogers explained this is tied into the MTUD for a sewage force main that is being replaced.

Item #7.c. – Acquisition of Block 27.02, Lot 19.03 – Administrator Hamilton explained this is Prospect Plains property that is being taken for Open Space consisting of 1.1 acres. Ms. Arminio questioned the price of the property and was advised \$175,000, which she took exception to. Administrator Hamilton explained an appraisal was done on this property prior to the taking and \$175,000 is the appraisal on the property.

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Item #7.e. - Amending Bond Ordinance O-7-2008-009 – asked the amount in principal in the Open Space fund to which Administrator Hamilton responded that we have funding ordinances that are paid for from the proceeds of the local Open Space Tax Fund and then there is the balance in the local Open Space Tax Fund. He will provide the amount at the next Council Meeting. She then asked the cost of this bond and was told that there is no money involved. The purpose of the bond is to amend a lot number.

Item #8.h. – Litigation C. Burry v. Twp. of Monroe – Administrator Hamilton responded that this is a wrongful termination suit against the Township - \$15,000.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Nalitt and seconded by Councilman Leibowitz, the Agenda Meeting was Adjourned at 7:50 pm.

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

SHARON DOERFLER, Township Clerk

GERALD W. TAMBURRO, Council President

Minutes adopted on _____

