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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

### **AUGUST 5, 2019**

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Agenda Meeting Called 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:

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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:**

- Honoring Chief Michael Lloyd for his loyal and dedicated 31 years of service to The Township of Monroe.
- <u>Administer Oath of Office 3 Police Officers:</u>

Officer Joseph L. Cella Officer Marc J. Kramer Officer Peter J. Novobilsky

Recognition of the Police Youth Academy Graduates

Officers responsible for the Program:

Sgt. Ronald Breuer

Sgt. Joseph Silvestri

Det. Dale DeGraw

Det. Ray Gifford

Ofcr. Anthony Brandt

Ofcr. Daniel Lang

Ofcr. Trevon Robinson

Ofcr. Patrick McCann

Ofcr. Jake O'Brien

Ofcr. Steven Dzema

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			ROLL CALL:	Ayes	Nays	
7.	APPROVAL OF MIN					
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ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_

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9.		for <b>CONSIDERATION</b> under <b>CONSENT AGENDA</b> : R-8-2019-229 with the exception of R-8-2019-219 which was removed from the
	*	19-227 which will be voted on separately)
	R-8-2019-197	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ELECTRONIC TAX SALE.
	R-8-2019-198	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FEES FOR ELECTRONIC TAX SALE NOTICES.
	R-8-2019-199	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS.
	R-8-2019-200	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS.
	R-8-2019-201	RESOLUTION CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP CLERK PATRICIA REID AND GRANTING TENURE.
	R-8-2019-202	RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE AND PATRICIA REID AS THE TOWNSHIP CLERK.
	R-8-2019-203	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FINAL MODIFICATION TO A PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT & SCOPE OF WORK ATTACHMENT WITH TRI STATE LIGHT & ENERGY, INC. UNDER THE 70/30 DIRECT INSTALL PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT. (\$82,566.15 – BPU portion \$57,796.60; Township portion \$24,769.85)
	R-8-2019-204	<b>RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF ZONING PERMIT FEE.</b> (\$25)
	R-8-2019-205	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FEES TO SHAIN SCHAFFER, P.C. TO HANDLE THE MATTER OF CT07 SPII LLC AND DT07 SPII LLC v. THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION. (Additional \$7,500)
	R-8-2019-206	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FEES TO SHAIN SCHAFFER, P.C. TO HANDLE THE MATTER OF KINGS ROW PROPERTIES LLC. v. THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ET AL. AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION. (Additional \$7,500)
	R-8-2019-207	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FEES TO SHAIN SCHAFFER, P.C. TO HANDLE THE MATTER OF CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES LLC. v. EDDUIL A. CAMACHO, ET AL. AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION. (Additional \$5,000)
	R-8-2019-208	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR HERITAGE CHASE, ELLIOTT DRIVE (aka PRIMROSE ACRES SOUTH) PB-1068-09.
	R-8-2019-209	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR MONARCH WOODS – PB-967-05. (Grace Hill Road)
	R-8-2019-210	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR PAUL AND BETH PICONE – BLOCK 39, LOT 13 – BA-5100-15. (Union Hill Rd.)
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R-8-2019-212	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE LOAN REPAYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNERS OF AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT LOCATED AT BLOCK 1.14, LOT 65.01 QUALIFIER C1144, MONROE TWP., N.J.
R-8-2019-213	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR RIDE ALONG AND CLINICAL OBSERVATION SHIFTS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN STUDENTS.
R-8-2019-214	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BID TO JEN ELECTRIC, INC. FOR EMERGENCY TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND BEACON MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS. (not to exceed \$40,000)
R-8-2019-215	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BID TO DIAMOND CONSTRUCTION FOR CONCRETE IMPROVEMENTS – TOWNSHIP WIDE. (\$230,800)
R-8-2019-216	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BID TO DAN SWAYZE & SON, INC. FOR ROADWAY STRIPING – TOWNSHIP WIDE. (\$49,533.95)
R-8-2019-217	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BID TO ROAD SAFETY SYSTEMS, LLC. FOR GUIDE RAIL REPLACEMENT – TOWNSHIP WIDE. (\$87,299)
R-8-2019-218	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE FROM THE TREE ESCROW FUND. (\$550)
R-8-2019-219	REMOVED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH FEDERAL ROAD ALIGNMENT STUDY. (\$55,000)
R-8-2019-220	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMMUNITY CENTER PARKING LOT EXPANSION PROJECT. (\$50,000)
R-8-2019-221	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH A TRAFFIC STUDY AND COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE RESTRICTION ANALYSIS OF STATION ROAD AND UNION VALLEY HALF ACRE ROAD. (\$7,500)
R-8-2019-222	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2019-2020 GIS SERVICES FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP. (\$50,000)
R-8-2019-223	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020 FUNDING OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION PROGRAMS, PROJECTS AND GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT.
R-8-2019-224	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF INFOWATER SOFTWARE LICENSE & MAINTENANCE FOR HYDRAULIC MODELING TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION (SHI) USING THE NEW JERSEY STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING

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# TOWNSHIP OF MONROE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 5, 2019

The Council of the Township of Monroe met at the Monroe Township 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. Sergeant Breuer announced the graduates of the Police youth Academy who led the 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 Marguerite Schaffer, 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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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 Vice-President.

Council President Dalina read aloud Chief Lloyd's biography, noting that he started his career in July 1988 and was sworn in as the 4<sup>th</sup> Chief of the Monroe Township Police Department. Chief Lloyd was presented with a plaque for his hard work and dedication to the Township. Chief Lloyd thanked everyone for coming out for his final farewell to the Township. He stated it was an honor and privilege to have worked for the Township for over 31 years, as his fellow officers made it easy for him to come into work every day. He thanked his family and stated that now is makeup time to be spent with them. Lastly, he thanked the Administration, Mayor and Council for always being so supportive.

Mayor Tamburro commented that he has been present for every promotion Chief Lloyd received and the proudest moment was seeing him get his stripes. He thanked Chief Lloyd's wife Liz for allowing us to have him. He stated that she was the key in keeping the family going and allowing us the privilege to have him here. Lastly, Mayor Tamburro commented that it has been an honor to have him serve in the capacity of both officer and Chief as he has been a stellar example to the whole Police Department. Liz was presented with flowers.

Chief Biennas is called up to introduce the new officers.

Chief Biennas stated that in taking over for Chief Lloyd he always moved the Police Department forward and in doing so he called upon the first three officers to be sworn in under his direction. Officer Joseph L. Cella is a graduate of Monmouth University, as well as, the Camden Academy. Holding the bible is his fiancé Emily. Township Clerk Patricia Reid administered the Oath. Next, Officer Marc J. Kramer, who graduated Rutgers University with a degree in criminal justice, as well as, the Middlesex County Academy. Holding the bible is his sister Cortney. Township Clerk Patricia Reid administered the Oath. Lastly, Officer Peter J. Novobilsky was sworn in. He is a graduate of Mercer County Police Academy. His wife Joanna, along with their children and his mother and brother held the bible while Township Clerk Patricia Reid administered the Oath.

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Mayor Tamburro commented that every time we get new officers hearing their backgrounds makes it easy for the Chief to know he is getting the best of the best. He extended congratulations and luck to all.

Councilman Dipierro welcomed the new officers to the Monroe family. He stated that the Monroe Township Police Department is a family that keeps all of our families safe. He extended his thanks and stated that second to none we have the best. He wished them all to stay safe and welcomed them all onboard.

Council Vice President Schneider commented that she may be prejudiced but she feels we have the best Police Department in the whole State. She wished all of the officers to stay safe and thanked their families for sharing them with us.

Councilman Baskin welcomed the new officers to Monroe and looks forward to not meeting any of them on the roads.

Councilwoman Cohen commented that she is always proud of our Police Department and the services they provide. Recently she spoke with anti-terrorism officer and he commented how lucky we are to have such a great police force. She wished the new officer's luck and stated it is a pleasure to work with them.

Council President Dalina stated that he hopes that repeating the Oath the Township Clerk administered is the hardest thing they will ever have to do.

Sergeant Breuer thanked the Mayor and Council for the invitation to be recognized at tonight's meeting. He thanked Chief Lloyd and Chief Biennas for allowing us to create this program. Detective Ray Gifford, Detective DeGraw, Sergeant Breuer, Sergeant Silvestri, Officer Lang, Officer Brandt, Officer Dzema, Officer Robinson, Officer McCann and Officer O'Brien all were thanked for taking their personal time to volunteer for this great program. He explained further that in 2018, Detective DeGraw came up with the idea for this program and he thought it was fantastic idea but a lot of work. Detective DeGraw had all of the forms created and brought this to life a few weeks ago. The program was built to grow a relationship with the youth and the Police. They learned how to process a missing person. There are 29 children that sit before us today and they have worked very hard and they should be very proud of themselves. He once again thanked Detective DeGraw for bringing this to life.

### **Graduates:**

Youseph Abdeljawad Josiah Gibson **Erich Smith** Joseph Bajkowski Aditya Jain Jorden Sowards Barnett Akash Talluri Remiel Brigilin Stanley Adam Kruszewski Arushi Chintakayala Lyla Tchorz Liam Lee Bethany Daroff Gavin Lopes Shelby Tchorz Dylan DeGraw Ronith Mohan Trista Tchorz Dhruvi Desai Liam Williams Yashvi Patel Vashist Dhanani Rachana Senthil Arsalaan Zaki Brandon Dias Myra Singh John Zimmermann Ian Fernandes Shaan Singh

Council President Dalina requested a ten-minute recess with the Regular Meeting reconvening at 7:40pm.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the **CLAIMS** per run date of **07/30/2019** 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 Councilman Baskin and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, the **MINUTES** of the **June 24, 2019 Combined Agenda & Regular Meeting** and the **July 29, 2019 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

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**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-8-2019-024 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 131 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "AFFORDABLE HOUSING".

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin Aye

Councilwoman Miriam CohenAyeCouncilman Charles DipierroAyeCouncil Vice-President Elizabeth SchneiderAyeCouncil President Stephen DalinaAye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

O-8-2019-024

**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-8-2019-025 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 122 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"

Trucks Over Four Tons Excluded -

Wyckoff Mills Applegarth Rd (between Wyckoffs Mills Rd. and Applegarth Rd)

Federal Road (between Perrineville Rd. and Applegarth Rd)

### Speed limit on Perrineville Rd.

at High School and Middle School from 35 to 25 mph when children are present

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin Aye

Councilwoman Miriam CohenAyeCouncilman Charles DipierroAyeCouncil Vice-President Elizabeth SchneiderAyeCouncil President Stephen DalinaAye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

O-8-2019-025

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Councilman Baskin the following Resolutions were moved for Adoption under the **CONSENT AGENDA:** 

(R-8-2019-197 - R-8-2019-229) with the exception of R-8-2019-219 which was removed from the agenda and R-8-2019-227 which will be voted on separately)

### R-8-2019-197 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ELECTRONIC TAX SALE.

**WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A. 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to the rules and regulations promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Division of Local Government Services has promulgated rules and regulations for electronic tax sales; and

**WHEREAS,** the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved N.J. Tax Lien Investors/Real Auction.com to conduct electronic tax sales; and

**WHEREAS,** an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more complete tax sale process; and

**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 Tax Collector is hereby authorized to participate in an electronic tax sale and submit same to the Director of the Division of Local Government if necessary.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

### R-8-2019-198 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FEES FOR ELECTRONIC TAX SALE NOTICES.

**WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A. 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to the rules and regulations promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

**WHEREAS,** the rules and regulations require a municipality to send two (2) notices of tax sale to all properties included in said sale; and

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**WHEREAS,** the rules and regulations allow said municipality to charge a fee of \$25.00 per notice for the creation, printing and mailing of said notice; and

**WHEREAS,** in an effort to more fairly assign greater responsibility to delinquent taxpayers, the Township of Monroe wishes to charge \$20.00 per notice mailed which will be assessed specifically to the delinquent accounts that are causing the need for a tax sale and not to the general tax base.

**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 a fee of \$20.00 per notice be established and is hereby authorized and directed to be charged for each notice of tax sale that is sent in conjunction with the 2019 electronic tax sale.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

#### R-8-2019-199 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 Seventy-two thousand six hundred twelve dollars and forty-nine cents (\$72,612.49) for the amounts described on Schedule A and attached hereto; and

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-8-2019-200 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 Five-Thousand Six-Hundred dollars and no cents (\$5,600.00),

**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-8-2019-201 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP CLERK PATRICIA REID AND GRANTING TENURE.

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution No. R-8-2016-288, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on September 1, 2016, Patricia Reid, RMC, CMR, was duly appointed and confirmed to the position of Township Clerk for a three (3) year term in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-133 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, Patricia Reid is and has been certified as a Registered Municipal Clerk since April 30, 2005 and has satisfied the continuing education requirements for said certification; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council is desirous of reappointing Patricia Reid, RMC, CMR as Township Clerk for the Township of Monroe; and

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**WHEREAS**, this reappointment has occurred within sixty (60) days of the expiration of the three year term identified above;

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Monroe Township Council as follows:

- 1. Patricia Reid, RMC, CMR is hereby reappointed to the position of Municipal Clerk in the Township of Monroe effective September 1, 2019.
- 2. Patricia Reid, RMC, CMR is and has upon this reappointment attained tenure pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-133 et seq.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

#### R-8-2019-202

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE AND PATRICIA REID AS THE TOWNSHIP CLERK.

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe and Patricia Reid have reached agreement on a contract pursuant to which Patricia Reid shall be re-appointed the Municipal ("Township") Clerk and shall perform those duties as are required by the laws of the State of New Jersey and Article IV of the Code of the Township of Monroe, and shall receive an annual salary consistent with the Township Salary and Wage Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS,** a copy of the referenced Employment Agreement is annexed hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement shall be effective on September 1, 2019 for a 3 year Term;

**WHEREAS,** the Township Council of the Township of Monroe has determined that it is in the best interest of the residents and taxpayers of the Township of Monroe to enter into this Agreement;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the annexed Employment Agreement between the Township of Monroe and Patricia Reid.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

#### R-8-2019-203

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FINAL MODIFICATION TO A PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT & SCOPE OF WORK ATTACHMENT WITH TRI STATE LIGHT & ENERGY, INC. UNDER THE 70/30 DIRECT INSTALL PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT.

(\$82,566.15 – BPU portion \$57,796.60; Township portion \$24,769.85)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution R-6-2018-174 dated June 6, 2018, the Township of Monroe entered into an agreement with **Tri-State Light & Energy Inc.(TSLE)**, **855 Sussex Boulevard**, **Broomall**, **Pa 19106**, for an energy assessment of the Police Department under the 70/30 Direct Install Program administered by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU); and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution R-6-2018-220 dated August 6, 2018 authorized a modification to the original agreement; and

**WHEREAS,** on June 24, 2019, TSLE submitted a final modification to its original cost estimate for making lighting and heating systems in the Police Department more energy efficient and submitted a revised final invoice, a copy which is attached hereto; and

**WHEREAS,** the previous total project cost was \$76,818.88 with the BPU providing \$52,406.81 and the Township providing \$24,412.07; and

**WHEREAS,** the revised final total project cost is \$82,566.15 with the BPU providing \$57,796.60 and the Township providing \$24,769.85; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available as set forth in Certificate No. <u>C-1800047</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A;

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe that the Department of Finance is authorized to pay Twenty four thousand, seven hundred sixty nine dollars and eighty five cents (\$24,769.85) to **Tri-State Light & Energy, Inc. (TSLE), 855 Sussex Boulevard, Broomall, Pennsylvania 19008**, as the Township's share of the Direct Install Program..

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

#### R-8-2019-204 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF ZONING PERMIT FEE. (\$25)

**WHEREAS,** the Director of Planning and Environmental Protection, by copy of a letter dated June 11, 2019, copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", has recommended the Council approve the following zoning permit refund:

Refund to:	Reason	Amount
PLV Electric, LLC	Permit # 19-258	\$ 25.00
919 Highway 33	3 Prospect Street	
Unit 47	Property located in Jamesburg	
Freehold, N.J. 07728	not Monroe	

**WHEREAS,** Council has reviewed the recommendation of the Director of Planning and Environmental Protection, and finds the request for the above refunds 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 **PLV Electric, LLC in the amount of \$25.00.** 

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

### R-8-2019-205

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FEES TO SHAIN SCHAFFER, P.C. TO HANDLE THE MATTER OF CT07 SPII LLC AND DT07 SPII LLC v. THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION. (Additional \$7,500)

**WHEREAS,** a lawsuit has been filed against the Township of Monroe, the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Middlesex County, Docket No. MID-L-3953-19, entitled <u>CT07 SPII LLC, and DT07 SPII LLC v. Township of Monroe, et al.</u>; and

**WHEREAS**, Shain Schaffer, P.C. possesses the expertise necessary to represent the Township in these matters; and

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor of the Township of Monroe has requested that Shain Schaffer, P.C. defend the interests of the Township and this matter be treated as extraordinary litigation; and

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

**WHEREAS,** the Township Council, by Resolution No. R-6-2019-180 acknowledged the status of "extraordinary litigation" and provided its advice and consent to the legal services of Shain Schaffer, P.C. pending further authorization of the Township Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Shain Schaffer, P.C. has incurred legal fees in excess of the budgeted amounts and has requested additional authorization in the amount of \$7500.00; and

**WHEREAS,** the Council has reviewed the request and believes that an additional authorization in the amount of \$7,500.00 for the above referenced litigation is reasonable at this time; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No and <u>C-1900052</u>, copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit "A";

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that it has rendered its advice and hereby authorizes Shain, Schaffer P.C. be paid for legal services rendered in connection with the matter <u>CT07 SPII LLC</u>, and <u>DT07 SPII LLC v. Township of Monroe, et al</u> in the amount of **\$7,500.00**.

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SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-206

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FEES TO SHAIN SCHAFFER, P.C. TO HANDLE THE MATTER OF KINGS ROW PROPERTIES LLC. v. THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ET AL. AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION. (Additional \$7,500)

**WHEREAS,** a lawsuit has been filed against the Township of Monroe, the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment, and the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Monroe in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Middlesex County, Docket No. MID-L-2934-19, entitled <u>Kings Row Properties</u>, <u>LLC v. Township of Monroe</u>, et al.; and

**WHEREAS**, Shain Schaffer, P.C. possesses the expertise necessary to represent the Township in these matters; and

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor of the Township of Monroe has requested that Shain Schaffer, P.C. defend the interests of the Township and this matter be treated as extraordinary litigation; and

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

**WHEREAS,** the Township Council, by Resolution No. R-5-2019-134 acknowledged the status of "extraordinary litigation" and provided its advice and consent to the legal services of Shain Schaffer, P.C. pending further authorization of the Township Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Shain Schaffer, P.C. has incurred legal fees in excess of the budgeted amounts and has requested additional authorization in the amount of \$7500.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council has reviewed the request and believes that an additional authorization in the amount of **\$7,500.00** for the above referenced litigation is reasonable at this time; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No and <u>C-1900030</u>, copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit "A";

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that it has rendered its advice and hereby authorizes Shain, Schaffer P.C. be paid for legal services rendered in connection with the matter <u>Kings Row Properties</u>, <u>LLC v. Township of Monroe</u>, et al. in the amount of \$7,500.00.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-207

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FEES TO SHAIN SCHAFFER, P.C. TO HANDLE THE MATTER OF CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES LLC. v. EDDUIL A. CAMACHO, ET AL. AS EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION.

(Additional \$5,000)

WHEREAS Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, has filed a foreclosure action titled. <u>Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC v. Edduil A. Camacho, et al.</u> under docket number F-005441-19 to foreclose property located at 20 Tenth Avenue, Monroe Township, in Block 160.5, Lot 6 of the Monroe Township Tax Map (the "Subject Property"); and

**WHEREAS**, Shain Schaffer, P.C. possesses the expertise necessary to represent the Township in these matters; and

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor of the Township of Monroe has requested that Shain Schaffer, P.C. defend the interests of the Township and this matter be treated as extraordinary litigation; and

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

**WHEREAS,** the Township Council, by Resolution No. R-5-2019-130 acknowledged the status of "extraordinary litigation" and provided its advice and consent to the legal services of Shain Schaffer, P.C. pending further authorization of the Township Council; and

WHEREAS, Shain Schaffer, P.C. has incurred legal fees in excess of the budgeted amounts and has requested additional authorization in the amount of \$5,000.00; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Council has reviewed the request and believes that an additional authorization in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the above referenced litigation is reasonable at this time; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No and <u>C-1900028</u>, copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit "A";

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that it has rendered its advice and hereby authorizes Shain, Schaffer P.C. be paid for legal services rendered in connection with the matter <u>Carrington Mortgage</u> Services, LLC v. Edduil A. Camacho, et al. in the amount of **\$5,000.00**.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-208

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR HERITAGE CHASE, ELLIOTT DRIVE (aka PRIMROSE ACRES SOUTH) PB-1068-09.

**WHEREAS,** Section 108-13.1A(4) of the Code of the Township of Monroe requires the Developer to furnish a two (2) year maintenance guarantee in an amount equal to fifteen percent (15%) of the original performance guarantee upon release of the performance guarantees by the Township Council upon the Township Engineer's written recommendation; and

**WHEREAS,** Lafayette Knolls, Inc. has posted Performance Guarantees in the amount of \$97,651.03 for The Heritage Chase, Elliott Drive (aka Primrose Acres South) project PB-1068-09; and

WHEREAS, a request has been made to release the performance guarantees; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Engineer's office, by copy of letter dated July 19, 2019, recommends release of the projects Performance Guarantees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that release of the project performance guarantees shall be conditioned upon resolution of all outstanding escrow balances associated with the administration of this project by Township officials, as well as the posting of maintenance guarantees for 15% of the project total (\$81,375.86), or \$12,206.38. Such maintenance guarantee shall run for a period of not less than two years from the date of memorialization of such action by the Council;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, in accordance with the Monroe Township Code, the developer shall maintain funds in the engineering inspection escrow account in the amount of fifty percent (50%) of the original deposit" however in lieu of this, the Township Engineer's office recommends the developer post five hundred dollars (\$500.00) at this time, into the existing engineering inspection escrow account, which is more reasonable.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-209

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR MONARCH WOODS – PB-967-05. (Grace Hill Road)

**WHEREAS,** Section 108-13.1A(4) of the Code of the Township of Monroe requires the Developer to furnish a two (2) year maintenance guarantee in an amount equal to fifteen percent (15%) of the original performance guarantee upon release of the performance guarantees by the Township Council upon the Township Engineer's written recommendation; and

**WHEREAS, Monarch Woods, LLC.** has posted Performance Guarantees in the amount of \$838,537.23 for The Monarch Woods project PB-967-05; and

WHEREAS, a request has been made to release the performance guarantees; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Engineer's office, by copy of letter dated July 19, 2019, recommends release of the projects Performance Guarantees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that release of the project performance guarantees shall be conditioned upon resolution of all outstanding escrow balances associated with the administration of this project by Township officials, as well as the posting of maintenance guarantees for 15% of the project total

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(\$698,781.03), or \$104,817.15. Such maintenance guarantee shall run for a period of not less than two years from the date of memorialization of such action by the Council;

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

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-210

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR PAUL AND BETH PICONE – BLOCK 39, LOT 13 – BA-5100-15. (Union Hill Rd.)

**WHEREAS,** Section 108-13.1A(4) of the Code of the Township of Monroe requires the Developer to furnish a two (2) year maintenance guarantee in an amount equal to fifteen percent (15%) of the original performance guarantee upon release of the performance guarantees by the Township Council upon the Township Engineer's written recommendation; and

**WHEREAS, Paul and Beth Picone** have posted Performance Guarantees in the amount of \$424,509.61 for the Block 39, Lot 13 project, BA-5100-15; and

WHEREAS, a request has been made to release the performance guarantees; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Engineer's office, by copy of letter dated July 19, 2019, recommends release of the projects Performance Guarantees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that release of the project performance guarantees shall be conditioned upon resolution of all outstanding escrow balances associated with the administration of this project by Township officials, as well as the posting of maintenance guarantees for 15% of the project total (\$382,059.00), or \$53,063.70. Such maintenance guarantee shall run for a period of not less than two years from the date of memorialization of such action by the Council;

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

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-211

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES POSTED FOR MONROE PARKE, SECTION 1, PHASE 1 – PB-1167-15. (Mounts Mills Rd.)

**WHEREAS**, JSM at Celebrations Monroe Section 1 LLC. and B & A at Monroe I, LLC has posted Performance Guarantees in the amount of \$1,470,250.94 for project Monroe Parke, Section 1, Phase 1 project PB-1167-15; and

WHEREAS, a request for a reduction in Performance Guarantees has been received; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Section 108-13.1 F and G of the Code of the Township of Monroe, the Township Engineer has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Township Council approve the reduction of the Performance Guarantee, as detailed in his letter dated July 22, 2019, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A:

Bond Portion Cash Portion

Current \$1,323,225.85 \$147,025.09

Reduce to \$ 612,869.51 \$ 68,096.61

; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendations of the Township Engineer;

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Performance Guarantees posted by JSM at Celebrations Monroe Section 1 LLC. and B&A at Monroe I, LLC. for project Monroe Parke, Section 1, Phase 1 project PB-1167-15 be reduced, as reflected in the Township Engineer's letter annexed hereto. This approval for reduction of Performance Guarantee is conditioned upon the resolution of any outstanding balances attached to project escrow accounts; and

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

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-212

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE LOAN REPAYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNERS OF AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT LOCATED AT BLOCK 1.14, LOT 65.01 QUALIFIER C1144, MONROE TWP., N.J.

WHEREAS, CAROLINE RIZZI is about to be the owner of property located at 1144 Morning Glory Drive, Monroe Township, New Jersey, which property is governed by the statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations restricting ownership and use of the property as an Affordable Housing unit which, among other restrictions, restricts the property owner in financing the property or otherwise encumbering the property by way of mortgage, home equity loan, or other form of financing; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe is willing to extend a loan to the property owner toward the payment of a down payment in the amount of \$8,426.00; and

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

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** on this 5th day of August, 2019, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that:

- 1. The Mayor, Business Administrator, Clerk and/or Attorney are hereby authorized to execute a Down Payment Assistance Loan Program Agreement with the owner of an Affordable Housing unit located at 1144 Morning Glory Drive, Monroe Township, New Jersey, Block 1.14, Lot 65.1, Qualifier C-1144.
- 2. A copy of the fully executed Agreement shall be kept on file with the Clerk. The original shall be kept in the unit file by the Administrative Agent.
- 3. Check in the amount of \$8,426.00 shall be made payable to SCHWARTZ LAW GROUP, LLC ATTORNEY AT LAW, TRUST ACCOUNT and mailed to the Attention of Jerome J. Convery, Attorney at Law, 272 Highway 34, Suite 3, Matawan, NJ 07747.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-213

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR RIDE ALONG AND CLINICAL OBSERVATION SHIFTS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN STUDENTS.

WHEREAS, the Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst Fire and Emergency Services ("JB MDL FES"), has requested permission for its personnel taking emergency medical technician ("EMT") training courses to be permitted to ride along with the Monroe Township Emergency Medical Services ("MTEMS") in ambulances and as hospital observers; and

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") has been prepared to document the understanding between the JB MDL FES and the Township as to the terms and conditions under which JB MDL FES EMT students will be permitted to ride along with the MTEMS; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Township Council believe it to be in the public interest to permit JB MDL FES EMT students to ride along with the MTEMS in ambulances and to act as hospital observers;

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that the Business Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to execute the MOA annexed hereto as Exhibit "A."

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-214 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BID TO JEN ELECTRIC, INC. FOR EMERGENCY TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND BEACON MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS. (not to exceed \$40,000)

**WHEREAS,** on July 24, 2019 one (1) sealed bid was received by Monroe Township for Emergency Traffic Signal and Beacon Maintenance and Repairs; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Engineer, by copy of letter dated July 24, 2019, has recommended the contract be awarded to *Jen Electric*, *Inc. 631 Morris Avenue Springfield*, *N.J. 07081*, the low responsible bidder, for a period of 12 months, not to exceed \$40,000.00; 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. <u>C-1900060</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A": and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of bid to *Jen Electric, Inc.* for Emergency Traffic Signal and Beacon Maintenance and Repairs, for a period of 12 months, at a total contract price not to exceed **\$40,000.00**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with *Jen Electric*, *Inc.*; and

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract is awarded with the stipulation that *Jen Electric, Inc.* shall comply with Affirmative Action Regulations, including revising their contracts as necessary to add mandatory affirmative action language, and submitting a completed AA-201, within seven (7) days of notification of award of the contract or risk being declared non-responsive and forfeiting the award.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-215 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BID TO DIAMOND CONSTRUCTION FOR CONCRETE IMPROVEMENTS – TOWNSHIP WIDE. (\$230,800)

**WHEREAS,** on July 24, 2019, two (2) sealed bids were received by Monroe Township regarding **Concrete Improvements – Township Wide**; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, by copy of letter dated July 24, 2019, has recommended *Diamond Construction*, 35 Beaverson Blvd. Suite 12C Brick, N.J. 08723 be awarded the contract based upon their bid submission in the amount of \$230,800.00; 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. <u>C-1900056</u>, 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 bid to *Diamond Construction*. for the **Concrete Improvements –Township Wide,** at a total contract price of \$230,800.00; and

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay *Diamond 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 *Diamond 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.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

### R-8-2019-216 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BID TO DAN SWAYZE & SON, INC. FOR ROADWAY STRIPING – TOWNSHIP WIDE. (\$49,533.95)

**WHEREAS,** on July 24, 2019 three (3) sealed bids were received by Monroe Township for Roadway Striping – Township Wide; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, by copy of letter dated July 24, 2019, has recommended the contract be awarded to *Dan Swayze & Son, Inc., 2351 Waldheim Avenue Scotch Plains, N.J. 07076* based upon their bid submission in the amount of \$49,533.95; 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.<u>C-1900061</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of bid to *Dan Swayze & Son, Inc.* for Roadway Striping – Township Wide at a total contract price of \$49,533.95; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with *Dan Swayze & Son, Inc.*; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay *Dan Swayze & Son, Inc.* in accordance with the contract entered into between the parties; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract is awarded with the stipulation that **Dan Swayze & Son, Inc.** shall comply with Affirmative Action Regulations, including revising their contracts as necessary to add mandatory affirmative action language, and submitting a completed AA-201,

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within seven (7) days of notification of award of the contract or risk being declared non-responsive and forfeiting the award.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-217 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BID TO ROAD SAFETY SYSTEMS, LLC. FOR GUIDE RAIL REPLACEMENT – TOWNSHIP WIDE. (\$87,299)

**WHEREAS,** on July 24, 2019 one (1) sealed bid was received by Monroe Township for Guiderail Replacement – Township Wide; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, by copy of letter dated July 24, 2019, has recommended the contract be awarded to *Road Safety Systems*, *LLC. 12 Park Avenue Shamong*, *N.J. 08088* based upon their bid submission in the amount of \$87,299.00; 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. <u>C-1900066</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of bid to *Road Safety Systems, LLC*. for Guiderail Replacement – Township Wide at a total contract price of \$87,299.00; and

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

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract is awarded with the stipulation that *Road Safety Systems, LLC*. shall comply with Affirmative Action Regulations, including revising their contracts as necessary to add mandatory affirmative action language, and submitting a completed AA-201, within seven (7) days of notification of award of the contract or risk being declared non-responsive and forfeiting the award.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

### R-8-2019-218 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE FROM THE TREE ESCROW FUND. (\$550)

**WHEREAS**, by Ordinance No. O-9-98-039, repealed and replaced by Ordinance No. O-6-2001-026 (the "Tree Removal Ordinance"), a Tree Escrow Fund has been created to hold and disburse fees paid in lieu of tree replanting by developers or property owners removing trees; and

WHEREAS, the Fund is to be used to maintain, preserve and protect the municipal tree cover; and

**WHEREAS,** a resident from Heritage Chase has requested reimbursement for two (2) diseased Ash Shade trees which they had removed in 2017 because they were misinformed and were told the Township would not assist with the removal of the diseased trees; and

**WHEREAS**, by memo dated July 19, 2019, the Monroe Township Business Administrator requested that Council approve the request for reimbursement in the amount of \$550.00 to the resident of Heritage Chase for the removal of their diseased Ash Shade Trees which they previously had removed; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Council believes that purposes of the Tree Escrow Fund are served by funding the removal of dead or diseased ash trees within the Township, which pose a danger to healthy trees and to the public and the request be authorized; and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds within the Tree Escrow Fund in Certificate No. **C-1900057** attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe authorizes the expenditure from the Tree Escrow Fund in the amount of \$550.00 to reimburse Heritage Chase resident Yash Monga, 15 Regent Drive, Monroe Twp. 08831; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department is hereby authorized and directed to reimburse the resident from the Tree Escrow Fund.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

### R-8-2019-219 REMOVED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH FEDERAL ROAD ALIGNMENT STUDY. (\$55,000)

R-8-2019-220

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMMUNITY CENTER PARKING LOT EXPANSION PROJECT. (\$50,000)

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe seeks professional engineering services in connection with the Community Center Parking Lot Expansion Project; and

**WHEREAS,** Center State Engineering possesses the technical expertise required to perform professional engineering services for this project; and

WHEREAS, the fees for such services will not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for such an engagement in Certificate No. <u>C-1900058</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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

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

- (1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached contract with *Center State Engineering*, 481 Spotswood-Englishtown Road, Monroe Township, NJ 08831, in accordance with the Agreement annexed hereto;
- (2) The Department of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to pay Invoices for services rendered by Center State Engineering for professional engineering services in connection with the Community Center Parking Lot Expansion project in an amount not to exceed Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00);
- (3) The Contract is awarded with the stipulation that *Center State Engineering* shall include within the Contract Mandatory Affirmative Action language and shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate Affirmative Action document within the time period prescribed by law;
- (4) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

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#### R-8-2019-221

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH A TRAFFIC STUDY AND COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE RESTRICTION ANALYSIS OF STATION ROAD AND UNION VALLEY HALF ACRE ROAD. (\$7,500)

**WHEREAS,** the Township of Monroe seeks professional engineering services in connection with a traffic study and commercial motor vehicle restriction analysis of Station Road and Union Valley Half Acre Road; and

**WHEREAS,** Center State Engineering possesses the technical expertise required to perform professional engineering services for this project; and

WHEREAS, the fees for such services will not exceed seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for such an engagement in Certificate No. <u>C-1900065</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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

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

- (1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached contract with *Center State Engineering*, 481 Spotswood-Englishtown Road, Monroe Township, NJ 08831, in accordance with the Agreement annexed hereto;
- (2) The Department of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to pay Invoices for services rendered by Center State Engineering for professional engineering services in connection with a traffic study and commercial motor vehicle restriction analysis of Station Road and Union Valley Half Acre Road in an amount not to exceed seven thousand five dollars (\$7,500.00);
- (3) The Contract is awarded with the stipulation that *Center State Engineering* shall include within the Contract Mandatory Affirmative Action language and shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate Affirmative Action document within the time period prescribed by law;
- (4) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

### R-8-2019-222

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2019-2020 GIS SERVICES FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP. (\$50,000)

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe seeks professional engineering, surveying and planning services to host, maintain and update the Monroe Township multi-platform GIS Application; and

**WHEREAS,** Center State Engineering possesses the technical expertise required to perform professional engineering, surveying and planning services in connection with the **2019-2020 GIS Services** for the Township of Monroe; and

WHEREAS, the fees for such services will not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for such an engagement in Certificate No. <u>C-1900059</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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

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

- (1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached contract with *Center State Engineering*, 481 Spotswood-Englishtown Road, Monroe Township, NJ 08831, in accordance with the Agreement annexed hereto;
- (2) The Department of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to pay Invoices for services rendered by Center State Engineering for the 2019-2020 GIS Services in an amount not to exceed Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00);
- (3) The Contract is awarded with the stipulation that *Center State Engineering* shall include within the Contract Mandatory Affirmative Action language and shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate Affirmative Action document within the time period prescribed by law;
- (4) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

#### R-8-2019-223

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020 FUNDING OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION PROGRAMS, PROJECTS AND GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT.

WHEREAS, the Middlesex County Office of Arts and History (MCOAH) is committed to the vision that all residents of Middlesex County can access and participate in the arts, culture and history that enrich their lives; and

**WHEREAS,** one of the many ways it advances and revitalizes this mission is by developing and funding arts, history and cultural programs that serve residents of Middlesex County; and

**WHEREAS,** funding for these grants is made possible by the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders and Middlesex County funding partners, New Jersey Department of State- New Jersey Historical Commission and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts; and

**WHEREAS,** grant funding for Calendar Year 2020 is to be utilized towards programs, projects, and general operating support and distributed to worthy projects and groups in Middlesex County;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Township of Monroe that it hereby authorizes submission of an electronic Grant Application which is to be submitted no later than September 10, 2019 *and* further authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk *to* execute a Grant Agreement on behalf of the Township of Monroe and upon the execution of said Agreement, the Township of Monroe does hereby accept the Terms and Conditions specified in the Agreement.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

#### R-8-2019-224

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF INFOWATER SOFTWARE LICENSE & MAINTENANCE FOR HYDRAULIC MODELING TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION (SHI) USING THE NEW JERSEY STATE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM (NJCP1) FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") (\$25,215)

**WHEREAS,** the Monroe Township Utility Department does not have the ability to perform hydraulic modeling on its water system in-house; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Utility Department desires to acquire software to give us the ability to do so; and

**WHEREAS**, the evaluation team received demonstrations and proposals for software from two (2) industry leaders and found that it was in the best interest of the MTUD to purchase the InfoWater software by Innovyze from SHI International Corporation via the New Jersey State Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

**WHEREAS,** SHI International Corporation has submitted a proposal dated March 11, 2019 in the amount of \$25,215.00, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and

- **WHEREAS,** based on the evaluation team's conclusion, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent, after consultation with the Director, has recommended in a letter dated July 17, 2019, that a InfoWater hydraulic modeling software, and one year's maintenance be purchased from SHI based on their proposal, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C"; and
- **WHEREAS,** the State of New Jersey, Division of Purchase and Property via its Cooperative Purchasing Program (NJCP1) has awarded Contract Index No. M-0003 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 this software may exceed 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 M.T.U.D. funds in Certificate No. <u>M-190011</u> 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 purchase of InfoWater hydraulic modeling software and maintenance by Innovyze from SHI International Corporation using the State Contract Term No. M-0003; 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-8-2019-225

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE AN ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC. UNDER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM. (\$79,033.44)

**WHEREAS,** the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, has purchased various Communications Equipment for the Monroe Township Police Department from an authorized vendor under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program 1-NJCP and the maintenance of this equipment is essential; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe wishes to enter into an annual Maintenance Agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc., P.O. Box 1335 Burlington, N.J. 08016, using NJ State Contract No. 83909, beginning September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:11-12; and

**WHEREAS**, the actual cost of the Maintenance Agreement shall not exceed Seventy-Nine Thousand Thirty-Three Dollars and Forty-Four Cents (\$79,033.44); and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as set forth in Certificate No. <u>C-1800044</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a Maintenance Agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc. from September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020 in an amount not to exceed Seventy-Nine Thousand Thirty-Three Dollars and Forty-Four Cents (\$79,033.44).

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

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#### R-8-2019-226

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PYRAMID CONSULTING GROUP, LLC. FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019.

(not to exceed \$25,000)

WHEREAS, on November 24, 2018, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, solicited resumes setting forth qualifications for <u>ID # 19-9 – APPRAISAL SERVICES</u>, for various professional real estate appraisal services required by the Township for Calendar Year 2019; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Resolution No. R-12-2018-371, **Pyramid Consulting Group, LLC** was approved and qualified to provide proposals as necessary for various real estate appraisal services required by the Township for Calendar Year 2019; and

**WHEREAS,** Pyramid Consulting has provided appraisal services for certain 2019 tax appeals and payment has been recommended by the Tax Assessor; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Assistant Purchasing Manager, by copy of letter dated July 1, 2019, has recommended Council approval of this vendor to be used for services over the \$17,500 window; and

WHEREAS, Pyramid Consulting Group, LLC, 9 Claire Court, East Hanover, N.J. 07936 is authorized to perform professional appraisal services on an as needed basis in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000); and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by **Pyramid Consulting Group**, **LLC**, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No. <u>C-1900063</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey hereby approves Pyramid Consulting Group to perform professional appraisal services on an as needed basis in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000).

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-228

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO WEATHERPROOFING TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR THE EMS BUILDING ROOF REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE UNDER THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF N.J. COOPERATIVE. (\$55,969.15)

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, EMS Building is in need of repairs, restoration and maintenance, under the **Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative ESCNJ/AEPA IFB #017-F** from *Weatherproofing Technologies Inc.*, for the Monroe Township EMS Building as hereinbelow set forth:

EMS Building Roof repair and maintenance

39,992.83

EMS Building gutter repair and maintenance

15,976.32

**TOTAL COST** \$55,969.15; and

WHEREAS, *Weatherproofing Technologies Inc.*, is an authorized vendor under the Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative Program and has submitted quotes and hereto made a part of this Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12; and

WHEREAS, Weatherproofing Technologies Inc. 3735 Green Road, Beachwood, Ohio 44122 has been awarded Contract No. <u>ESCNJ/AEPA IFB #017-F</u> in connection with the above referenced repairs and maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as set forth in Certificate No. **C-1900064**, a <u>copy</u> of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe that *Weatherproofing Technologies Inc.*, is hereby awarded a contract for the repair and maintenance of the EMS Building roof at a total contract price of \$55,969.15;

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

R-8-2019-229 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF A ONE TIME GRACE PERIOD FOR THE PAYMENT OF THIRD QUARTER TAXES, 2019. (August 23 2019)

**WHEREAS,** due to circumstances beyond the control of the Township of Monroe, the property tax bills for the third quarter of 2019 may not be mailed to taxpayers within the statutory time constraints; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 54:4-66, said taxes are due and payable by August 1, 2019 with a ten (10) day grace period; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tax Collector for the Township of Monroe has requested and recommends that this Council extend the grace period for the payment of third quarter taxes for a reasonable time after the tax bills are prepared and mailed to the taxpayers; and

**WHEREAS,** the Tax Collector recommends that the grace period be extended "one time" for twenty-five days from the date of mailing provided said mailing occurs after July 29, 2019 and provided, however, that payments received after the grace period shall accrue interest from the statutory due date of August 1, 2019 which grace period shall be in lieu of, and not, in addition to, any other applicable grace period; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Council believes the extended grace period is warranted by the delay in the preparation and mailing of tax bills;

**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 grace period for payment of third quarter taxes for 2019 be and is hereby extended this "one time" to **August 23, 2019** and provided, however, that payments received after the statutory due date of August 1, 2019, which grace period shall be in lieu of, and not, in addition to, any other applicable grace period.

### **SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

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

Copy of Resolutions Duly Filed.

Councilman Dipierro recused himself and left the room.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the following Resolution was moved for Adoption and considered separately:

R-8-2019-227 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST THE MAINTENANCE BOND FOR CLEARVIEW ESTATES PB-1029-06.

**WHEREAS,** on March 22, 2007, MMR Real Estate Holding LLC, ("MMR") c/o Charlie Dipierro was awarded Final Major Subdivision Approval by the Monroe Township Planning Board pursuant to Resolution PB #1029-06 for Clearview Estates; and

**WHEREAS,** on February 21, 2012, GMN Toms River, LLC, ("GMN") on behalf of MMR posted a Cash Performance Bond in the amount of \$605,839.26 on the Subject Project; and

**WHEREAS**, by letter dated November 18, 2013, from David Shaftkowitz, Esq., Attorney for GMN, advised the Township that MMR has satisfied it's financial obligations to GMN, hereby directing all future releases and responsibility for the financial security account to be directed to MMR and/or its representatives, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of this Resolution; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R-3-2019-074, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on March 4, 2019, authorizing a reduction of the Maintenance Bond posted for Clearview Estates, CME Associates ("CME") the Township's Conflict Engineer identified that Clearview Estates has infiltration basin issues which still need to be addressed before a complete maintenance bond release would be granted; and

WHEREAS, as of August 5, 2019, the six-month extension granted by the Township for completion of the deficient work is due to expire on August 6, 2019 and the incomplete work persists; and

WHEREAS, MMR has not diligently worked to complete the necessary work in a timely fashion; and

**WHEREAS**, by letters dated June 25, 2019, July 10, 2019, July 18, 2019 and July 23, 2019 CME has requested MMR to comply with the six month extension and submit basin modification plans for review, and to date a response has not been received, therefore, CME advises the Township to authorize recourse against the Maintenance Bond on the Subject Project; and

WHEREAS, the Maintenance Bond requires a municipal declaration of default with notice to MMR Real Estate Holding LLC; and

WHEREAS, the Township is prepared to issue a formal notification to MMR Real Estate Holding LLC on a municipal declaration of default.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that the Township hereby declares MMR Real Estate Holding LLC in default of its obligation to complete construction at the Subject Project unless the deficiencies are cured by August 6, 2019.

### SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin

Aye Councilwoman Miriam Cohen Aye Councilman Charles Dipierro Abstain Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider Aye Council President Stephen Dalina Aye

Copy of Resolution Duly Filed.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Tamburro reported that he and the Township are honored to be asked by Fort Dix to work with our EMTs.

Great paving work this summer. Mounts Mills Road is so smooth, as well as, Centre Drive. Thanks to Engineer Rasimowicz and Center State for doing a great job on these roads.

The Daniel Ryan ADA Concession and Restroom project is about ready to open. Thanks to Engineer Rasimowicz, Center State, Mary Lange and Virgil Caputo for taking great care of our fields. The concession stand will be open in time for football.

With the past few storms extended thanks to our Police Department, EMS, Fire and DPW for addressing all of the power outages and trees down in a professional and timely manner.

Administrator's Report – Administrator Weinberg reported that we have authorized the Tax Collector's Office to do their electronic tax sale. Only 1 in 100 people do not pay their taxes.

Amendment for BPU to make all buildings energy efficient; it is a 70/30 match and will continue to look into getting some savings.

Thanks to all of the employees who work outside in the heat.

Traffic study for commercial vehicle analysis for two issues; one is the potential warehouse to be built on the border of Cranbury and the second issue is the amount of trucks that come through Monroe Township from warehouses in Cranbury. The initial plan is for the trucks to use Route 130 but instead they use our Township roads. There are over 1200 tractor trailers seen on those roads. We are also implementing a 4 ton weight restriction on Wykoff Mills and Applegarth Road. A more extensive study needs to be done to present to the DOT. That roadway is not the place for a tractor trailer as it is too narrow. Also, on Federal Road there will also be a 4-ton weight limit.

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Thanks for the paving effort; we did \$1.2 million in paving ourselves, two of which will still move forward this year. We have applied to the NJDOT for a paving preservation grant; we were awarded \$600,000 on Costco Drive. We will continue to look for grants.

**Engineer's Report** – Engineer Rasimowicz reported that the Daniel Ryan Concession Stand and ADA Restroom Project is complete. The building has been turned over to the Recreation Department for the opening of the Wolverines football season. It is a beautiful building with many compliments being received on the Concession Stand and ADA Restrooms. We are all looking forward to the Grand Opening.

The Prospect Plains Road Soccer Field Concession Stand and ADA Restroom Project is on track and progressing well. Completion should be done by this Fall.

Regarding the Township Wide Paving Projects, the paving has recently been completed on several Township roads including portions of Federal Road, Union Valley Road, Dey Grove Road, Mounts Mills Road, Half Acre Road, Erikson Avenue and Centre Drive. We also have completed the reconstruction of Monmouth Road in the area of the Recreation Center and Mill Lake School.

The prep work has started on Schoolhouse Road. The railroad tracks to the triangle at Spotswood Gravel Hill Road will be done and this is covered 100% by the \$557,000 NJDOT grant we received. It is anticipated that milling will start next week.

The Park & Ride is under design and it is anticipated to be awarded at the September Council Meeting.

The Federal Road railroad crossing project will start in approximately two weeks. The roadway is expected to be closed for 3-5 days.

DPW will be paving Sherman Street, McKnight Avenue, Hoffman Road at the intersection of Buckelew and at the intersection of Hoffman Station Road.

Middlesex County has recently completed several projects in the Towship including the intersection improvements at Prospect Plains Road and Perrineville Road that provided protected left turn lanes. There are several repaving projects including Butcher Road, Jamesburg-Half Acre Road and Prospect Plains Road along the frontage of the Soccer Complex which includes our new artificial turf soccer field and soon to be completed Concession Stand and ADA Restrooms.

Spotswood Englishtown Road has had the milling completed today with the paving to begin. Repaving a portion of Spotswood Englishtown Road between Legends Drive and North State Home Road, as well as, a portion of Spotswood Englishtown Road between Mounts Mills Road and the Regency entrance at Country Club Drive.

### **Council's Reports:**

### Council Vice-President Schneider -

- National Night will be held on Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at Thompson Park. If it should rain the event will be held at the Middle School. There will be a bouncy house and most children come riding their bikes.
- Noted that the Senior Center does so much with their programs.
- Transportation has taken 615 residents to the doctors; for the Friday night events they transported 382 people the first time and 450 the second time.
- The Empty Bowl Project raised almost \$4,000 selling handcrafted bowls. The money raised went to 6 different food pantries. Our food pantry gave out fresh fruit and vegetables from our local farmers and the Community Garden. The Friends of the Senior Center had a car show and raised almost \$6,000 for the food pantry.

### Councilman Dipierro -

- The DPW paving program worked very well; went out and saw some work they completed. Noted that in house paving saves us a lot of money and DPW is doing a great job.
- Sent a question to Alan but did not receive an answer yet; would like to see Schoolhouse Road paved, as well as, wanting to see a walk through. Also, in regards to the paving of Texas Road Councilman Dipierro thanked the Engineer Rasimowicz and Center State for that project.
- The Commuters Committee talked about putting signs in the Park & Ride installed so no trucks park there. Administrator Weinberg had responded to his request noting that the signs were installed and the Police Department will start patrolling.

- Read the reports that Center State and the Police Department did for the traffic study; Councilman
  Dipierro asked whether or not we did one for the Middle School so we have that to compare it to.
  He added that he thinks maybe a traffic study should be done throughout the Township by our
  professionals instead of by the tax payers.
- Unfortunately, there was a fire in the Township where a family lost the 2<sup>nd</sup> story of their home before the Fire Department was even called. A passerby was able to get the family out of the house. The house will more than likely be a total loss and the family will be in need.
- In regards to the speed limit trailer, an email was sent out to see if it could go on.
- Thanks to Engineer Rasimowicz and Center State for addressing the complaint on Sycamore with the water.
- Regarding Spotswood Englishtown Road, a few emails were sent out regarding sink holes even though this is a County Road it is still in our Township and should be addressed.
- The Fernhead Road punch list was granted an extension to the contractor; Councilman Dipierro asked if there was a schedule. Engineer Rasimowicz answered that repairs were done on Friday to which Councilman Dipierro asked if there was any standing water. Engineer Rasimowicz answered that it has not rained for us to verify but it will be checked.
- Councilman Dipierro asked about the status of the traffic signal on Matchaponix Road; Engineer Rasimowicz answered that it is his understanding that five residents have not agreed to it.
- Regarding affordable housing; it was addressed that the developer must have approval before their 70<sup>th</sup> Certificate of Occupancy is issued. Councilman Dipierro explained that he has concerns as we need to get those affordable housing units built and make sure not to give the developer above the 70 Certificates of Occupancy issued. Administrator Weinberg responded that he is already on top of that and they cannot go above 76 Certificates of Occupancy and we have been in touch.
- On September 13<sup>th</sup> there will be a shredding event held at Thompson Park. It is advised to get there early.
- Attended the American Legion meeting held in the Courtroom today at 1:00pm. They need a place to meet and we need to take that into consideration as to when a meeting place for them will be built so they can have their meetings.
- Met with the Mayor of Cranbury and had an interesting conversation. He was very positive and it
  was a positive meeting. He is a lifelong resident of Cranbury and as a citizen it is very informative
  to go out and meet your neighbors. He added that he would like that statement made a part of the
  record.

## <u>Councilman Dipierro asked that the attached statement be added to the minutes. Please note – his statement was not read into the record at the August 5, 2019 Council meeting but submitted 11 days later.</u>

Fellow Members of the Township Council and constituents:

I am informing you of the type of activity that has been going on at the highest level of our town's government - which - I'm sure you'll agree with me, is antithetical to good government and the interest of the Township's citizens and taxpayers.

Last year, I voted for an attorney, along with the other Council members, to serve as Labor Counsel. This same attorney in his other capacity of "conflict" counsel, has been engaged in a nonstop campaign to attack me and try to curtail my rights as a citizen. Sometime, this attorney approaches me as a client, and says that he's giving me legal advice. In other instances, the attorney acts as a political henchman who writes me adversarial letters and threatens me. I ask you, with all of the money that we spend on lawyers, why do we have a "conflict" counsel whose sole job seems to be to inflict political harm on me? What exactly is the conflict? Is it the fact that I have an (R) next to my name instead of a (D)? Is it the fact that even though all of the members of the Council own real estate in town, I and my family might own more that some of the rest of them?

The latest incident involves the Mayor of our neighboring municipality, Cranbury. Monroe, with its mindless spending and development, has a lot to learn from Cranbury, its efficient development practices and low taxes. The "conflict" attorney was apparently sicked on me by our own Mayor because I had the temerity to cross party lines and try to engage in civic conversations with the Democratic Mayor of Cranbury. Apparently, some of my colleagues would rather be at war with me and our neighboring municipality, than to work together for the benefit of our taxpayers. I find this shocking.

The "conflict" counsel's email to the Cranbury Mayor essentially threatened the Mayor for speaking with me and advised him that all negotiations must be done with our Mayor. Citizens of Monroe - I did not shed my rights as a citizen under the First Amendment of the United States

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Constitution when I was elected to serve as a Councilman. In fact, I retain all of my constitutional rights, plus I added an obligation that seems less important than it should be to other members of this body - that is to act in the interests of the taxpayers of this Township, and not merely to hold political power for decade after decade.

These members of the governing body to whom I refer are trying to make a political issue by making an impossible promise - to use our Township's police officers to write tickets against every truck that incidentally enters our Township from Cranbury on the border as a result of their warehouse development. How do they intend to pay for this increased police presence? Do they want to double, triple or quadruple the police overtime budget? Have they asked the taxpayers? The answer is no - they have no intention of doing what they promise - all they want to do is destroy me candidacy for Mayor, put a muzzle on me from advocating for the rights of our citizens and hold on to the seat of power. I trust that this Township's wise taxpayers see through this facade, and will advise the Mayor that it is he who should cease picking fights that he can't back up, with our friends and neighbors for the purpose of political gain.

### Councilman Baskin -

• Reported that the Annual Green Fair will be held on September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Monroe Township High School. Currently, we are looking for vendors, as well as, sponsors. If anyone is interested and like more information, they can reach out to 732-804-3960 or to the municipal building.

### <u>Councilwoman Cohen –</u>

- Spoke with Chief Biennas regarding the traffic study; a lot of people are not happy with the amount of tractor trailers on our roads.
- Our EMS services are wonderful; we are very lucky to have this quality of personnel.
- Cultural Arts Commission concerts are still going on in the park. If it rains the concerts will be held at the Senior Center.

### <u>Council President Dalina –</u>

- A successful season is reflected by over 800 participants in our summer camp program and over 200 in the Mt. Sepa camp. It is nice to see that once school ends our children stay engaged. Shared a memory of visiting his son who was a counselor at Mt. Sepa and watched him try calming the kids down. It was a moment to see and made me realize how our camps really take care of the children who attend. Thanked the Recreation Department. Specialty camps are still available to those interested; go on <a href="https://www.monroerec.com">www.monroerec.com</a> for more information.
- Reminded everyone that the Tax Collector's Department has mailed out the tax bills; the grace period has been extended to August 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- While taking a bike ride on Sunday, ran into a few residents with questions regarding the tax bills. Administrator Weinberg has prepared a chart to better explain taxes. Administrator Weinberg asked Deputy Township Clerk Christine Robbins to pass out the pie chart and he explained. Council President Dalina asked if this could be put onto the Township website and stated that any resident who may be confused by it can reach out to Administrator Weinberg.

### **PUBLIC:**

<u>Hy Grossman, 15 Doral Dr. – Mr.</u> Grossman stated that in doing a quick comparison to last years tax bill to this year's tax bill there was a very modest increase which he is happy with.

Mr. Grossman stated that he is unhappy with our Congressmen; three years ago, when former President Obama negotiated a deal with Iran, he was not happy and wrote a letter to our Congressmen. In response to his letter he received a press release back. On two other occasions regarding the affordable housing site plan there was a segregation noted and he was told it was HUD guidelines. Again, he wrote a letter stating he had a problem with this policy and never received a response back.

Mr. Grossman asked Utility Director Joe Stroin if we have combined water and sewer systems to which he answered that they are separate.

Lastly, Mr. Grossman gave a PSA to his neighbors living in the Regency to stop walking in the middle of the road as there are plenty of sidewalks, as well as, imploring them to please stop at the stop signs as there are plenty of them as well.

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<u>Nick Morolda, 93 Halsey Reed Rd. – Mr. Morolda commented that in regards to the traffic study and Councilman Dipierro's meeting with the Cranbury Mayor he finds it wrong and illegal. He stated that when we first heard of the warehouse being built, we went to Cranbury and were told we should have done our research before buying our homes as the zoning allows for it to be built. Cranbury has fulfillment centers not warehouses and if Councilman Dipierro came out and spoke to us then he would have heard and seen what we are dealing with. There is smoke pollution which DEP says is more deadly than our motor vehicle accidents. They park their tractor trailers on Halsey Reed Road and use our streets as toilets. We had had enough and approached Mayor Tamburro and his professional staff and when they reached out to Cranbury their Mayor started with schoolyard insults. When Councilman Dipierro goes out it undermines the plans of the Township and Mr. Morolda stated he believes Councilman Dipierro is sacrificing that part of Monroe Township for political gain and added that in the future he should stand up for all of Monroe Township.</u>

Councilman Dipierro responded that the comments made are not true. In regards to speaking with the Cranbury Mayor he had every right to talk to him as he is a citizen. This meeting was not a negotiation. That particular parcel they intend to buy is supposed to be in conjunction to be purchased as Open Space. He further stated not to listen to the papers, he did not go to negotiate and our Mayor neglected to go and represent the Township.

Council President Dalina stated this conversation was to end.

<u>Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr.</u> – Mr. Parab stated it has been a sad few days with the two shootings that occurred over the weekend. A moment of silence for all of the loss should be done.

Commended the emergency department regarding their job during the storms.

Regarding the traffic study; both towns should talk and work together.

It should be mandatory to have sidewalks; has been advised to address this concern with the Planning Board when the Council is part of the team.

Leadership does not work in silo. Thankful that a resolution was done requesting impact fees from developers. Mr. Parab asked what follow up has been done to which Council President Dalina clarified that there are no Council members on the Zoning Board. He added that when there is an important issue it is discussed amongst each other and we do represent as the Council when we go to these committees.

<u>Roger Meaney, 22 Harrigan Ave. – Mr. Meaney stated that it is his understanding that a study was done</u> by the golf range and there were over 1200 trucks reported; he asked who conducted this study to which Administrator Weinberg answered that it was conducted by the traffic division of the Police Department and that was the number reported over a three-hour period. Mr. Meaney asked if overtime was incurred to conduct this study and commented that before it is even voted on by Council are we going to keep giving overtime and put ten officers on to give out truck tickets. Administrator Weinberg answered that this is a part of everyday police work. One of the reasons as to why this was done is because the Mayor of Cranbury said there was no truck traffic impacting Monroe. Mr. Meaney commented that he wished Council took as much diligence on all of the other streets with all of the building going on. He thinks it is a real shame that we are throwing tax dollars at something we should not have done in the first place.

<u>Lauren Dipierro, 225 Fernhead Ave.</u> – Ms. Dipierro asked if there was WIFI in the building; Administrator Weinberg answered no. Ms. Dipierro asked if it can be looked into getting this service in the building and commented that since we can only accommodate so many people at this location, it should be looked at holding meetings at another location if a large turnout is expected.

Ms. Dipierro reported that there is an overload of disgusting garbage on both Tyndale and Ashmall Avenue, such as condoms and liquor bottles. She commented that she has noticed at the Recreation Center there are connecting garbage and recycling cans and suggested we add some to that area.

In regards to the speeding on Monmouth Road by Tenth Avenue, Ms. Dipierro commented that it is much appreciated but most of the speeding is by First Avenue. She added that once the drivers get past the First Aid Building the road gets narrow and there are no crosswalks which is something else to consider.

<u>Lorraine Morris, Halsey Reed Rd. (Cranbury side)</u> – Ms. Morris thanked the Mayor and Council for having a meeting regarding the traffic problems. She stated that people are asking why Monroe is getting involved in another town's Master Plan and commented that if the Mayor of Cranbury talked to his residents that would be helpful. She added that it is appreciated that Mayor Tamburro has been speaking up for the residents of Cranbury. She explained that there is a big difference between residential traffic and warehouse traffic, as well as, fulfillment centers and the amount of truck traffic they produce. The residents of Cranbury

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have voiced their concern and appreciate the work Monroe has put into this and the concern they have with all of their borders. She added being told to voice our concerns to the Planning Board has been done and the letters written to the Mayor of Cranbury have gone unanswered. She further explained that she is a lifelong resident of Cranbury and no matter how anyone feels it is important to be heard. The zoning cannot be changed and we have never been asked if we want to preserve land in our town. Unfortunately, there is a lot of misinformation out there.

Council Vice-President Schneider asked when Brickyard Road will be reopened as she feels it is causing traffic; Administrator Weinberg answered that it will be reopened in the Winter.

Audrey Cornish, 431 Schoolhouse Rd. – Mrs. Cornish stated that she watched the last meeting and asked why the Council would buy 76 acres of wetlands when they could have bought her and her neighbors property. She stated that she wanted to save the animals as the frogs are dead and the deer are misplaced. She explained that her intent was to save the animals and make sure her husband did not have to cut the grass. Instead the Township buys land that is wetlands when land could have been bought that thirteen homes could have been built on.

In regards to the school, the Township built it there knowing it was going to be too small. Kids are in trailers, so who is losing, foresight is needed. Mrs. Cornish asked why are things done that are not in the best interest of the kids, the town and the people. She added that when she sees a choice over wetlands over nineteen houses then it is apparent that the best interest of the kids are not being met.

Lastly, Mrs. Cornish commented that the five-minute rule for the public to comment means a lazy Council.

Steve Martin, 24 North Disbrow Hill Rd. – Mr. Martin extended thanks to Engineer Rasimowicz for the work done on Federal Road as it looks great. Mr. Martin bought the property in 2012 and the roads are in shambles and we are forgotten. There are potholes, roads are crumbling and there is a nice bike area but no bike lanes at all and he would like to get our road on the list. Mr. Martin stated he was here earlier for the American Legion meeting and the Affordable Housing Veteran's Project was discussed. He commented that there are no buildings in the Township for Veteran's and they have to come here to the Municipal Building to hold their meetings. He stated that an American Legion building is needed and asked that before the planning stage and before the awarding of this project, this is taken into consideration so our Veteran's have a place to go to have their meetings and play bingo. He commented that if we are building an \$11,000,000 project for Veteran's this should be a part of this project. Mr. Martin asked if this project was still going out to bid; Administrator Weinberg answered that this project is in the procurement stages and it is a part of our settlement agreement with the Court. Township Attorney Schaffer added that it is different from public bidding as it is a Request for Qualifications. We are looking for someone to build, operate and manage it. Council President Dalina commented that he does like the idea of a dedicated facility for our Veteran's.

<u>Kumar Thirumalaiappan, 32 Sheller Dr.</u> – Mr. Thirumalaippan asked if there was any follow up on his previous request for additional lanes on Applegarth Road. He asked if that can be a part of the study noting that between the hours of 8:00 – 9:30am there are a lot of trucks and they occupy both lanes. Engineer Rasimowicz responded that he did look into this and the County has no plans of widening Applegarth Road at this time.

Mr. Thirumalaiappan stated that there is standing water at Pop's Farm Market.

Mr. Thirumalaiappan asked if signs could be posted not allowing a left turn on Applegarth Road into the Dunkin' Donuts as that is a very dangerous roadway with trucks because two lanes become one.

Lastly, Mr. Thirumalaiappan asked if the Recreation Center could have camp in the south section of Monroe Township. Mr. Thirumalaiappan asked what is the percentage of children that live in the south section of the Township; Administrator Weinberg answered that in September we do a recap of the summer program and when he sits down with the Recreation Directors he will ask them if it is a possibility. Council President Dalina answered that there are 1,000 children between Recreation Camp and Mt. Sepa but not sure of the breakdown of where they are from. Engineer Rasimowicz responded that the water situation will be looked into at Pop's Farm Market and the County did approve a no left turn.

Laurie Winter, 308 Federal Rd. – Ms. Winter stated that she knows there is an Ordinance that states you cannot build on holidays and asked if we can have the same Ordinance put into effect for commercial landscaping and her neighbor being Stonebridge had landscapers with large blowers working on Memorial Day. She stated she was not happy and approached them. She added that it is a Federal Holiday and for her a very somber one. She enjoys the peace and quiet of the holidays where there is normally not a lot of traffic. Councilman Dipierro commented that he believes our Ordinances states no gasoline engines so he feels it would cover this particular issue.

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<u>Michele Arminio, 9 Nathaniel St.</u> – Mrs. Arminio stated that in regards to the Affordable Housing settlement agreement it was her understanding that this whole process the affordable units should be primary to be built not the market units. She added that the priority should be getting those that need a home into one before the builders build units that are market rate and receive money for them.

Mrs. Arminio asked what the current water allocation in Monroe is as we have purchased water purchasing rights from Spotswood and now we are to ask Old Bridge to do the same; she asked if the tax payers are paying for this or are the developers and asked if there are voits in the ground because of this. Director Stroin answered that we were just approved by the NJDEP and our current allocation is 2 billion gallons a year. The purchase from Spotswood was negotiated and executed about four years ago. No voits are being caused as a detailed hydraulic study was done. Administrator Weinberg added that we have connection fees that the developers pay and this is a state formula. We have done off tract improvements when a situation occurs. He commended Director Stroin and his predecessor as our prices are much lower. Lastly adding that we use ground water, lakes and streams.

<u>Kathleen Morolda, 93 Halsey Reed Rd.</u> – Mrs. Morolda commented that she wanted to add onto what Lorraine had said earlier, that she is a 41-year resident of Monroe Township and it was only a few years ago that Cranbury was rezoned. The press keeps talking about a feud between Monroe and Cranbury but the only feud is between Mayor Taylor and his Cranbury residents. We are very grateful for the help that Monroe is providing to us. She also added that she is very grateful for our tax bill. She stated that she has a handicapped brother and the highlight of his day is when the bus picks him up and takes him to the Senior Center; they do not talk down to those with handicaps, they lift them up and for that she is very thankful.

<u>Andy Paluri, 16 St. James St.</u> – Mr. Paluri thanked the Council for correcting the speed limit on Perrineville Rd. He stated he would also like a flashing speed limit sign to alert those going over the speed limit.

On July 17<sup>th</sup> at a meeting, a councilmember approached him to say he was lying about the sidewalks and how the Planning Board deals with this issue. Mr. Paluri stated that each and every application that is looked at is looked at not only for the application itself but for also the needs for the area. He stated he was asked why the Planning Board gives applications and then give variances and said it was funny that the councilmember who asked about this had projects himself that did not have sidewalks. He explained that we require that either a sidewalk be built or a contribution be made if we do not feel the need for a sidewalk to be built. He added that we definitely want sidewalks. Further he explained that we are volunteers and he thinks that before remarks are made in public again that should be considered.

In regards to Matchaponix Avenue, if this is going to eminent domain it will take forever. Mr. Paluri proposed that a flashing stop sign be installed in the meantime.

Thanked the Mayor and Council for the beautiful ceremony for retired Chief Lloyd.

<u>George Gunkelman, 5 Kelly Ct.</u> – Mr. Gunkelman asked how Home Serve received the names and addresses of the residents of the Township. He advised anyone who received their solicitation to not do this and stated they should check with their homeowner's insurance policy as they can get the same service for much cheaper.

Mr. Gunkelman asked why the tax bills are late if we are not doing a reevaluation; Administrator Weinberg stated that until we get a certified number from the County we cannot get our tax bills ready.

In regards to R-8-2019-206 Mr. Gunkelman asked who are the entities are and where the properties are located; Administrator Weinberg answered that CT07 is the bald eagle case and the next one is where the Zoning Board blocked a warehouse on Rhode Hall Road and the developer is now suing us.

Mr. Gunkelman asked for an explanation of R-8-2019-211; Engineer Rasimowicz answered that it is a bond reduction for site clearing, storm water management facility, curbs and sidewalks, miscellaneous landscaping and striping, etc.

Mr. Gunkelman stated that as a resident he does not want his personal information given out ever.

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**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the Regular Meeting of August 5, 2019 Adjourned at 9:38 PM.

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

Patricia Reid
PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

Stephen Datina

STEPHEN DALINA, Council President

Minutes were adopted on: September 4, 2019.