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**COMBINED AGENDA AND REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

**DECEMBER 28, 2020**

**AGENDA**

1. Agenda Meeting Called to Order. (6:30 p.m.)

2. Salute to the Flag.

3. **ROLL CALL:**

Councilman Leonard Baskin  
Councilman Stephen Dalina  
Councilman Charles Dipierro  
Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider  
Council President Miriam Cohen

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- R-12-2020-300**                    **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL TOWNSHIP NEWSPAPERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021.**
- R-12-2020-301**                    **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2021 CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

7. **Public Comments.** (limited to **Agenda items only** - 5 Minutes per Speaker)

OPEN: MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_ SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLOSE: MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_ SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

8. **Agenda Meeting Adjournment.**

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_ SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_ ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_

**DECEMBER 28, 2020 REGULAR MEETING TO FOLLOW**

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**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

**DECEMBER 28, 2020**

**AGENDA**

1. **REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_ SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_ ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_

2. **MOTION** to approve the payment of **CLAIMS** per run date **December 22, 2020**.

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_ SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_ ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

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

**December 7, 2020 – Agenda/Regular Combined Meeting**

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_ SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_ ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_

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**TOWNSHIP OF MONROE**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**MEETING OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL – DECEMBER 28, 2020**

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**UPON ROLL CALL** by the Deputy Township Clerk, Christine Robbins, the following members of Council were present: Councilman Leonard Baskin, Councilman Stephen Dalina, Councilman Charles Dipierro, Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider and Council President Miriam Cohen.

**ALSO, PRESENT:** Business Administrator Alan M. Weinberg, Township Attorney Lou Rainone, Engineer Mark Rasimowicz, Utility Director Joseph Stroin and Chief Michael Biennas.

**ABSENT:** Mayor Gerald W. Tamburro

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- R-12-2020-295**                    **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP FOR THE PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP EMS DEPARTMENT. (\$15,030.00)**
- R-12-2020-296**                    **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX OVERPAYMENTS.**
- R-12-2020-297**                    **RESOLUTION CANCELING GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION BALANCES.**
- R-12-2020-298**                    **RESOLUTION CANCELING APPROPRIATION BALANCES.**
- R-12-2020-299**                    **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 2021.**
- R-12-2020-300**                    **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL TOWNSHIP NEWSPAPERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021.**
- R-12-2020-301**                    **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2021 CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

Councilman Dipierro asked that resolutions R-12-2020-281, R-12-2020-290, R-12-2020-291 and R-12-2020-292 be removed from the agenda and considered separately.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **PUBLIC COMMENTS** portion of the Meeting was opened. All were in favor, none opposed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr.** – Mr. Parab asked in regards to R-12-2020-285 if we are getting money back through the CARES Act and what expenditure does this apply to; Administrator Weinberg answered that we have submitted for reimbursement of pertinent activities and items such as masks, building spray and laptops for individuals to work from home.

Mr. Parab asked if R-12-2020-286 for \$80,000 to purchase books for the Library required a bid; Administrator Weinberg answered that there is a State Contract and every year we put in to purchase materials for the Library.

Lastly, Mr. Parab asked in regard to R-12-2020-297 what does it mean funded and unfunded; Administrator Weinberg answered that if we cancel a funded ordinance than the money can be put back into a capital improvement as a down payment.

**Michele Arminio, 9 Nathaniel St.** – Mrs. Arminio asked in regard to R-12-2020-297 why a capital improvement would need to be cancelled and if they were finished below cost; Administrator Weinberg answered that they were finished below cost.

Mrs. Arminio asked for a quick explanation of R-12-2020-301; Attorney Rainone answered that it proves which depositories we put our funds into, further explaining that there are general funds and some trust funds which are drawn by the bill list and appropriations. Administrator Weinberg added that there is a small list of items that the State allows us to put this money in.

**Chrissy Skurbe, 21 Preakness Dr.** – Mrs. Skurbe stated in regard to O-12-2020-025 that around October 2016 the Board of Education received a letter of intent to turn the land over to the Board of Education and asked if that will be handed over at such time the Ordinance is finalized and if that can be looked into; Administrator Weinberg responded that this predates his time with the Township therefore he is unaware of any such documentation.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **PUBLIC COMMENTS** portion of the Meeting was closed. All were in favor, none opposed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the Agenda Meeting was Adjourned at 6:52pm.

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

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the Regular Meeting was Called to Order at 6:52pm.

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

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Councilman Dalina, the **CLAIMS** per run date of **12/22/2020** were approved for payment as written and presented.

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

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the **MINUTES** of the **December 7, 2020 Agenda/Regular Combined Meeting** were approved as written and presented.

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

**UPON ACTION** made by the Council the following Ordinance(s) were **moved on SECOND READING for FINAL ADOPTION** as follows:

**O-12-2020-022            REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP TO ACHIEVE DEBT SERVICE SAVINGS, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP TO EFFECT SUCH REFUNDING AND APPROPRIATING THE PROCEEDS THEREFOR.**  
(Refinancing existing debt at lower interest rate)

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq., as amended and supplemented (the “Local Bond Law”), the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey (the “Township”) issued (i) \$30,075,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012, dated August 7, 2012, \$12,000,000 of which are currently outstanding and maturing on or after December 15, 2022 and which bonds are subject to redemption on or after December 15, 2021 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the par amount to be redeemed (the “2012 Refunded Bonds”), and (ii) \$28,235,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013, dated February 6, 2013, \$16,500,000 of which are currently outstanding and maturing on or after January 15, 2023 and which bonds are subject to redemption on or after January 15, 2022 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the par amount to be redeemed (the “2013 Refunded Bonds” and together with the 2012 Refunded Bonds, the “Refunded Bonds”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has determined that refunding bonds can be issued to refund, in whole or in part, such Refunded Bonds which, under current market conditions, can generate net present value debt service savings to the Township equal to or greater than three percent (3%), which savings is the minimum amount required by the Local Finance Board, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey (the “Local Finance Board”) to undertake such refunding of the Refunded Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has determined to provide for the refunding of the Refunded Bonds through the issuance by the Township of not to exceed \$30,000,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Refunding Bonds.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY** (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) **AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The refunding of all or a portion of the Refunded Bonds is hereby authorized.

**SECTION 2.** In order to refund the Refunded Bonds and to pay all related costs of issuance associated therewith, the Township is hereby authorized to issue General Obligation Refunding Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 (the “Refunding Bonds”), to be issued in one or more issues, all in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51, and to appropriate the proceeds of such Refunding Bonds to such purpose described in Section 3 hereof. Such Refunding Bonds shall be designated as “General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021”, with such other designation as may be necessary to identify such bonds, including each series or year thereof.

**SECTION 3.** The purposes for which the Refunding Bonds are to be issued are to achieve debt service savings for the Township by refunding all or a portion of the callable principal amount of the Refunded Bonds, including the payment of interest accrued thereon on each interest payment date to the dates fixed for redemption for the applicable series of Refunded Bonds.

**SECTION 4.** An aggregate amount not exceeding \$275,000 may be allocated from the aggregate principal amount of the Refunding Bonds to pay for items of expense listed and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51(b), including, but not limited to, the aggregate allocated costs of issuance thereof, including underwriting, printing, credit enhancement or other insurance premiums, advertising, paying agent and escrow fees, verification agent fees, rating agency fees, accounting, municipal advisory, legal and other expenses in connection therewith.

**SECTION 5.** The purpose of the issuance of the Refunding Bonds is to realize net present value interest cost savings for property taxpayers residing in the Township (“net” meaning savings after payment of all costs of issuance of the Refunding Bonds). Applicable State requirements mandate that such net present value interest cost savings equal at least 3% of the principal amount of the Refunded Bonds. In addition, the issuance of the Refunding Bonds shall comply with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:30-2.5, including that within 10 days of the date of the closing on the Refunding Bonds, the Clerk shall file a report with the Local Finance Board within the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs setting forth (a) a comparison of the Refunding Bonds’ debt service and the Refunded Bonds’ debt service which comparison shall set forth the present value savings achieved by the issuance of the Refunding Bonds; (b) a summary of the issuance of the Refunding Bonds; (c) an itemized accounting of all costs of issuance in connection with the issuance of the Refunding Bonds; and (d) a certification of the Clerk that (i) all of the conditions of section (b) of N.J.A.C. 5:30-2.5 have been met, and (ii) a resolution authorizing the issuance of the Refunding Bonds, adopted pursuant N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51(c), was approved by a two-thirds vote of the full membership of the Township Council.

**SECTION 6.** The Supplemental Debt Statement relating to the Refunding Bonds, required by the Local Bond Law, has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Township, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township, as defined in the Local Bond Law, is increased by the principal amount of the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this Refunding Bond Ordinance, and will be decreased by the principal amount of the Refunded Bonds.

**SECTION 7.** To the extent that the Refunding Bonds are issued as federally tax exempt obligations, the Township Council hereby covenants on behalf of the Township to take any action necessary or refrain from taking such action in order to preserve the tax-exempt status of the Refunding Bonds authorized hereunder as is or may be required under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder (the “Code”), including compliance with the Code with regard to the use, expenditure, and investment of the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds, and the timely reporting and rebate of investment earnings on such proceeds as may be required thereunder. The Refunding Bonds are authorized, if required, and with the consent of the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, in consultation with the Township’s financial advisor, to be issued as tax-exempt bonds or taxable bonds and to be sold on a competitive, negotiated or private placement basis.

**SECTION 8.** This Refunding Bond Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication hereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-12-2020-022** was **opened**. All were in favor, none opposed.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

No Public Comment.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-12-2020-022** was **closed**. All were in favor, none opposed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption:

**O-12-2020-022**                    **REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP TO ACHIEVE DEBT SERVICE SAVINGS, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP TO EFFECT SUCH REFUNDING AND APPROPRIATING THE PROCEEDS THEREFOR.**  
(Refinancing existing debt at lower interest rate)

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.  
O-12-2020-022

**UPON ACTION** made by the Council the following Ordinance(s) were **moved on SECOND READING for FINAL ADOPTION** as follows:

**O-12-2020-023**            **AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES AND A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE AND CONIFER REALTY, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 41, LOT 14 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LOCATED ON CRANBURY HALF ACRE ROAD, MONROE, NEW JERSEY. (30-year Agreement)**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council of the Township of Monroe (the “Council”) has determined that there is a need for an affordable housing project in the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, Conifer Realty, LLC (the “Developer”) is a long term lessee from the Township, who is the owner of certain real property known and designated as Block 41, Lot 14 on the Official Tax Maps of the Township of Monroe, Middlesex County and commonly located on Cranbury Half Acre Road, Monroe, New Jersey (the “Property”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Developer proposes to construct an 80 unit Affordable Housing development for veterans housing project (hereinafter referred to as the “Project”) pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency Law of 1983, as amended (N.J.S.A. 55:14K-1 *et seq.*), the rules promulgated thereunder at N.J.A.C. 5:80-1.1 *et seq.*, and all applicable guidelines promulgated thereunder (the foregoing hereinafter collectively referred to as the “HMFA Requirement”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Project will be subject to the HMFA Requirements and the mortgage and other loan documents executed between the Developer and the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (hereinafter referred to as the “Agency”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Project may be subject to requirements of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (hereinafter referred to as the "Department of Community Affairs"), Neighborhood Preservation Balanced Housing Program in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:27D-320 and applicable rules promulgated thereunder at N.J.A.C. 5:43-1.1 *et seq.*, and the mortgage and other loan documents executed between the Sponsor and the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs, or any other Department of Community Affairs programs as applicable; and

**WHEREAS**, the Developer has presented to the Council a revenue projection for the Project which sets forth the anticipated revenue to be received by the Developer from the operation of the Project as estimated by the Developer and the Agency, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Attachment A.

**WHEREAS**, the Township and the Developer desire to enter into a long term tax exemption and financial agreement with the Developer in connection the Property.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, Middlesex County, State of New Jersey:

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Council understands and agrees that the revenue projections set forth in Attachment A are estimates and that the actual payments in lieu of taxes to be paid by the Developer to the municipality shall be determined pursuant to the Agreement for Payments in Lieu of Taxes executed between the developer and Township.

3. The Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute Agreement for Payments in Lieu of Taxes and Financial Agreement in substantial conformity with the Financial Agreement appended hereto as Attachment B.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and in effect; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any ordinance or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-12-2020-023** was **opened**. All were in favor, none opposed

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Michelle Arminio, 9 Nathaniel St.** – Mrs. Arminio asked if this is the affordable housing for Veterans adding that at a Planning Board meeting a member had mentioned that if the units are not filled by Veteran’s then they will be filled by non-Veteran’s. Mrs. Arminio also asked what list was being referred to as she is concerned that this is done by lottery and through Piazza & Associates. She asked if an explanation could be given for why payment in lieu of taxes is in this Ordinance, as well as, if we still have an affordable housing fund for this project and what is the balance of that fund; Attorney Rainone answered that this does indeed go through a list of qualified Veteran’s first and if only that list is exhausted will they turn to the standard affordable housing list. He further explained that the Township’s Administrative Agent will accept the applications and will have the obligation to continually market these units as available to Veteran’s with the list being populated as individuals come on and off the list. Attorney Rainone added that we do have an affordable housing fund with the project estimated at \$10 million dollars.

Councilman Dipierro asked if this list is going to be limited to Monroe Township residents, as well as if we know the number of units along with the breakdown of each; Administrator Weinberg answered that we will make sure that Veteran’s are occupying the units but cannot mandate that they are Veteran’s from Monroe Township as that is not legal. He added that this follows the normal COAH rules of bedroom breakdown for each unit adding that we are leveraging to go from 37 units to 80 units as it will save the 4 to 1 ratio that the court orders for affordable housing.

Councilman Baskin asked for the breakdown of the units to which Administrator Weinberg answered that it works out to be 16 units as 1 bedroom, 16 will be 3 bedroom and 48 will be 2 bedroom.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Councilman Dalina, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-12-2020-023** was **closed**. All were in favor, none opposed.

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

**O-12-2020-023**                    **AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES AND A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE AND CONIFER REALTY, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 41, LOT 14 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LOCATED ON CRANBURY HALF ACRE ROAD, MONROE, NEW JERSEY. (30-year Agreement)**

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| 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 ACTION** made by the Council the following Ordinance(s) were **moved on SECOND READING for FINAL ADOPTION** as follows:

**O-12-2020-024**                    **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DEDICATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 6, LOT 39 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE TO THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX FOR ANY AND ALL LAWFUL PURPOSES INCLUDING, BUT LIMITED TO, WIDENING OF PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY.** (New Traffic Signal - Applegarth Rd and Joan Warren Way)

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe (the “Township”) is the owner of property identified on Official Tax Maps as Block 6, Lot 39 (hereinafter referred to as the “Property”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township seeks to dedicate the Property to the County of Middlesex for any all lawful purposes including, but not limited to, the widening of public rights-of-way and installation and maintenance of improvements (the “Dedication”); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.4 of the Local Lands and Buildings Law, the Township is authorized to sell or convey any real property, or interests therein, by ordinance, to the county in which the real property is located; and

**WHEREAS**, a Deed of Dedication from the Township to the County of Middlesex has been prepared in connection with the Property and is appended hereto as Attachment A; and

**WHEREAS**, after analysis and review, the Monroe Township Utility Department (“MTUD”) has determined it is in its best interest to enter into the aforementioned Deed of Dedication in a form substantially similar to the form attached hereto as Attachment A; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Attorney has reviewed the aforementioned Deed of Dedication and agreed that it is in the best interests of the Township to provide the County of Middlesex the Dedication; and

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

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary for the dedication of the Property including, but not limited to, the Deed of Dedication to the County of Middlesex as described in substantially the form appended hereto as Attachment A, which sets forth the terms and conditions pertaining to the Dedication.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and in effect; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any ordinance or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-12-2020-024** was **opened**. All were in favor, none opposed

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

No Public Comment.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Councilman Dalina, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-12-2020-024** was **closed**. All were in favor, none opposed.



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

**O-12-2020-024                    ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DEDICATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 6, LOT 39 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE TO THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX FOR ANY AND ALL LAWFUL PURPOSES INCLUDING, BUT LIMITED TO, WIDENING OF PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY.** (New Traffic Signal - Applegarth Rd and Joan Warren Way)

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.  
O-12-2020-024

**UPON ACTION** made by the Council the following Ordinance(s) were **moved on SECOND READING for FINAL ADOPTION** as follows:

**O-12-2020-025                    ORDINANCE ACCEPTING DEEDS OF DEDICATION FOR BLOCK 6 LOT 5.21 AND BLOCK 6, LOT 5.03 LOCATED ON MOUNT ROAD FOR OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION AND OTHER MUNICIPAL PURPOSES.** (Colts Run – Mount Rd. and England Rd.)

**WHEREAS**, TOLL NJ II, LP is the owner of the property located on Mount Road known as Block 6, Lot 5.21 and Block 6 Lot 5.03 (the “Property”) on the official tax map of the Township of Monroe (“Monroe”) and is conveying the Property to Monroe for use as open space and recreation and other municipal purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Attorney has reviewed the attached Deeds transferring title to the Property for use as open space and other municipal purposes and found it to be legally sufficient; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has determined that accepting the aforesaid Deeds is in the public interest; and

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

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor, Township Clerk and Township Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps and execute any documents which are reasonably necessary to accept the Deeds transferring title to the Property located at Block 6 and Lot 5.21 and Block 6 Lot 5.03 for use as open space and recreation and other municipal purposes.

**SECTION 2.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

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

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

**SO ORDAINED** as aforesaid.

Councilman Dipierro stated that the letter of interpretation this is based on is from 2005 and it talks about there being no endangered species on the land but in 2016 when the Board of Education hired an Engineer to do a letter of interpretation, they found endangered species on the property. He added that he does not

know what the truth is considering there are two different reports from two different engineers and went on to ask if this is even a piece of property we want and if the Board of Education report written in 2017 was reviewed; Engineer Rasimowicz stated that the original application came to the Planning Board in 2007 and in 2009 came in for preliminary site work. In 2011 they came in for a final based on the documents; Attorney Rainone added that this property is being taken for Open Space and we will have environmental constraints on it.

Council Baskin asked for the total acreage of the properties to which Engineer Rasimowicz answered the one lot is 65 acres and the other is 3 acres.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-12-2020-025** was **opened**. All were in favor, none opposed

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Michelle Arminio, 9 Nathaniel St.** – Mrs. Arminio stated that we certainly need land to build our schools on partially because of the developments that are building high density housing throughout the Township. She stated that she believes cluster zoning is provided for Open Space as part of the application and it should be preserved as Open Space with the language “for municipal purposes” removed as it insinuates that municipal buildings can be placed on it in the future. She noted that on page 2 of the letter of interpretation that is states a “period of 5 years” which she does not know whether the extension has been beyond 10 years but in any event if another study has not taken place or if the 2017 Board of Education study is not being utilized than you are accepting land without updated information. She asked if it was true there is still a 45-day window after the public hearing of an ordinance for the public to still respond; Attorney Rainone answered that this ordinance will take effect 20 days after the Mayor signs it but legal action can be taken up to 45 days after.

**Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr.** – Mr. Parab asked how much we are paying for the land as he stated that it is important to preserve as much land as possible in the Township. He also asked if anything was ever mentioned about the environmental impact, turtles and wildlife back when Toll Brothers wanted to give the land to us; Attorney Rainone answered we are not paying anything for the land as it is being donated. Engineer Rasimowicz stated there is no indication of endangered wildlife as submitted by the DEP.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-12-2020-025** was **closed**. All were in favor, none opposed.

Administrator Weinberg gave a few brief comments explaining clustering, stating that when this came before the Planning Board back around 2008 it moved forward for clustering. Administrator Weinberg stated that clustering is when instead of building on individual lots you can reduce the number of roadways, sidewalks and sewer by building closer together. He went on to explain further that there is no additional clustering, just moving closer together to create space that can be used for Open Space or municipal purposes otherwise you have a sprawl. He added that when it came before the Planning Board they had to rely on the DEP’s approval given at that time as the letter of interpretation cannot say to come back in 10 years to see if wetlands have crept up on the land or endangered species now live on the land, you have to deal with what DEP certified at that time. He noted that we have done clustering throughout the town in many ways as a way to get more land that is less developed and create less of a suburban sprawl. He also noted that Oak Tree School was the result of clustering, as was the high school and the recently purchased land requested by the Board of Education for a new school. Lastly, Administrator Weinberg added that we have done what we can to provide the Board of Education whatever resources we could to help them with their needs. Engineer Rasimowicz stated that Administrator Weinberg summed up clustering nicely and he went on to add that we recently provided land to the Board of Education for their bus terminal, as well as given land to Fire District #3 for the building of their firehouse which is all a result of clustering. Engineer Rasimowicz added that no additional units are gained by the developer as they are entitled to what they can build and however they can cluster, and a parcel of land will be dedicated to the Township for municipal purpose. Attorney Rainone wrapped up the discussion by stating that we clustered the value of this property onto the buildable lots and the buildable lots are always the value of the property, with that being said with this property what is left has virtually no value to the public and the benefit is it going to us and no loss of tax dollars.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Baskin, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was passed on Second Reading and Final Adoption:

**O-12-2020-025                      ORDINANCE ACCEPTING DEEDS OF DEDICATION FOR BLOCK 6 LOT 5.21 AND BLOCK 6, LOT 5.03 LOCATED ON MOUNT ROAD FOR OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION AND OTHER MUNICIPAL PURPOSES. (Colts Run – Mount Rd. and England Rd.)**

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.  
O-12-2020-025

**UPON ACTION** made by the Council the following Ordinance(s) were **moved on SECOND READING for FINAL ADOPTION** as follows:

**O-12-2020-026            SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL 2021 SALARY AND WAGE  
ORDINANCE FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX  
COUNTY.**

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

**SECTION 1.** The Township is governed by the provisions of the Faulkner Act, Mayor-Council form of government. N.J.S.A. 40:69A-1, et. seq. Under the Mayor council form certain annual salaries, wages and other compensation are set by the Township Council as attached hereto and made a part hereof, effective January 1, 2021, as hereinafter specified.

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

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

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

**SO ORDAINED**, as aforesaid.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-12-2020-026** was **opened**. All were in favor, none opposed

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

No Public Comment.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-12-2020-026** was **closed**. All were in favor, none opposed.

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

**O-12-2020-026            SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL 2021 SALARY AND WAGE  
ORDINANCE FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY.**

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.  
O-12-2020-026

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro the following Resolutions were moved for Adoption under the **CONSENT AGENDA:** (R-12-2020-278 – R-12-2020-301 with the exception of Resolutions R-12-2020-281, R-12-2020-290, R-12-2020-291 and R-12-2020-292 which will be voted on separately)

**R-12-2020-278                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH BETTINA DURMASKIN SHOLK REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL & CONSULTANT TO PROVIDE PROPERTY APPRAISAL REPORTS FOR THE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INTERSECTION OF OLD BRIDGE-ENGLISHTOWN ROAD AND MOUNTS MILLS ROAD.**  
(13 parcels not to exceed \$32,500)

**WHEREAS,** the Township of Monroe is undertaking a project for roadway improvements at the intersection of Old Bridge-Englishtown Road and Mounts Mills Road (the “Project”) and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to acquire thirteen interests in property located in Blocks 36, 36.01, 54 and 38 on the Official Tax Map of the Township of Monroe (the “Properties”) to complete the Project in the form of Rights of Way, Temporary Construction Easements, Drainage Easements and Fee acquisitions; and

**WHEREAS,** Bettina Durmaskin Sholk, MAI, AI-GRS, MA, MBA, SCGREAA is an authorized Township appraiser; and

**WHEREAS,** Bettina Durmaskin Sholk, has provided the Township of Monroe with a proposal to perform the appraisals of the Properties necessary for the completion of the Project at a cost not to exceed Thirty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$32,500.00) consisting of a rate of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) per appraisal as per the proposal attached as Exhibit “A”;

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4*, the Township’s Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No. **C-2000068**, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”;

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

(1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Bettina Durmaskin Sholk Real Estate Appraisal and Consultant, 5 Rosemary Road, East Brunswick, N.J. 08816, in accordance with the proposal attached hereto as Exhibit “A”;

(2) The Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by Bettina Durmaskin Sholk Real Estate Appraisal and Consultant, in accordance with attached proposal, in an amount not to exceed **\$32,500.00**;

(3) This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a “professional service” in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for a service performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law;

(4) This contract is awarded with the stipulation that the contract shall include mandatory Affirmative Action language, and Bettina Durmaskin Sholk Real Estate Appraisal and Consultant shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate Affirmative Action documents within the time period prescribed by law.

(5) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-279                    RESOLUTION APPOINTING REGISTRAR, DEPUTY REGISTRAR, ALTERNATE DEPUTY REGISTRARS AND SUB REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS.** (3-year term)

**WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A. 26:8-13 requires that each municipality designate one of its officers as the Township Registrar of Vital Statistics, a Deputy Registrar, and, in addition, two (2) Alternate Deputy Registrars and a Sub Registrar of Vital Statistics;

**WHEREAS,** the term of office for these titles is three (3) years; and

**WHEREAS,** the terms of the Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Alternate Deputy Registrars currently expire on December 31, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 28, 2020 Alicia Gonzalez received her Certified Municipal Registrar certification and was named Sub Registrar for the Township of Monroe; and

**WHEREAS**, the following appointments shall be made effective immediately:

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|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Registrar                  | Patricia Reid     | Expiring 12/31/2023 |
| Deputy Registrar           | Christine Robbins | Expiring 12/31/2023 |
| Alternate Deputy Registrar | Tanya Pannucci    | Expiring 12/31/2023 |
| Alternate Deputy Registrar | Lorena Thompson   | Expiring 12/31/2023 |
| Sub Registrar              | Alicia Gonzalez   | Expiring 12/31/2023 |

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, that it hereby appoints **PATRICIA REID** as Registrar, **CHRISTINE ROBBINS** as Deputy Registrar, **TANYA PANNUCCI** and **LORENA THOMPSON** as Alternate Deputy Registrars and **ALICIA GONZALEZ** as Sub Registrar of Vital Statistics to fill the three (3) year terms, said terms ending on December 31, 2023;

**R-12-2020-280                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF AUTO  
WRECKING/JUNK YARD LICENSES FOR THE 2021 LICENSE  
TERM.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Chapter 58 of the Monroe Township Code, auto wrecking and junk yard activities are required to be licensed through the Office of the Township Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, all auto wrecking and junk yard licensees have filed for renewal of their licenses for the 2021 license term; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid licensees have filed the appropriate application materials and paid the appropriate license fees to the Office of the Township Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, a site visit was conducted by the Zoning Officer and no violations have been found.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, that it hereby renews the auto wrecking/junk yard licenses for the 2021 license term with no change in type and/or extent of operation for the following licensees:

**AAA MANAGEMENT (Formerly Jack's Auto Wreckers)**  
568 Old Bridge-Englishtown Road  
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Block 36, Lots 19 & 20

**RED & BLACK AUTO WRECKERS**  
P.O. Box 71  
60 Lincoln Avenue  
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Block 89, Lot 2.2 & 2.3  
Block 90, Lots 1-3  
Block 91, Lots 1-2 & 5-6  
Block 93, Lot 1.1  
Block 94, Lot 1  
Block 95, Lot 6  
Block 103, Lot 19

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-282                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP  
CLERK TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN GREENCHIP,  
INC. AND MONROE TOWNSHIP FOR ELECTRONIC WASTE  
SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe, hereinafter "Township", has requested to enter into an Agreement with Greenchip, Inc. for the proper recycling of consumer electronics; and

**WHEREAS** effective January 1, 2011, recycling of certain consumer electronics is mandatory in the State of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, in compliance with applicable Law, there are *no charges* for the services that Greenchip Inc. will provide to the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, Greenchip will issue a check to the Township within 10 days of pickup for payable weights on eligible material as set forth in the attached agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, this agreement will begin January 1, 2021 expiring December 31, 2021, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods; and

**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 Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract with Greenchip, Inc., 540 Kingsland Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11222 for a contract period effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, subject to the Township Attorney's final review and/or revisions of the agreement proposed by Greenchip, Inc.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-283                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF TAX REFUNDS AND/OR DELINQUENCIES OF LESS THAN THREE (\$3.00) DOLLARS.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, finds and declares that N.J.S.A. 40:5-17-1 empowers authorized municipal employees to process the cancellation of tax refunds and/or delinquencies of less than Three (\$3.00) Dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Council further finds and declares that the Municipal Tax Collector is qualified to process the cancellation of tax refunds and/or delinquencies of less than Three (\$3.00) Dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Council further finds and declares that it is in the best interests of the citizens of the Township of Monroe for the Municipal Tax Collector to be authorized to process the cancellation of tax credits and/or delinquencies of less than Three (\$3.00) Dollars in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17-1.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe that the Municipal Tax Collector is hereby authorized to process the cancellation of tax refunds or delinquencies of less than Three (\$3.00) Dollars during the Calendar Year 2020 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17-1.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-284                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ANNUAL SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH QUEUES ENFORTH DEVELOPMENT, INC. FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021.  
(Police Dept. E-Ticket software maintenance - \$42,744)**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, had purchased Q.E.D. Software for the Monroe Township Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe wishes to enter into an annual Maintenance Agreement with Queues Enforth Development, Inc. (Q.E.D.); and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(dd) authorizes the provision or performance of goods or services for the support or maintenance of proprietary computer hardware and software, except that this provision shall not be utilized to acquire or upgrade non-proprietary hardware or to acquire or update non-proprietary software; and

**WHEREAS**, the actual cost of the Software Maintenance Agreement for calendar year 2021 shall not exceed Forty Two Thousand, Seven Hundred Forty Four dollars (**\$42,744.00**); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as set forth in Certificate No. C-2000069, 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 Software Maintenance Agreement, effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, with **Q.E.D., Inc., 92 Montvale Ave., Suite 4350, Stoneham, MA 02180-3647** in an amount not to exceed Forty Two Thousand, Seven Hundred Forty Four dollars (**\$42,744.00**).

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-285                    RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR INSERTION OF A SPECIAL  
ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.  
40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948).  
(Cares Act Reimbursement - \$603,296.90)**

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

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for Year 2020 in the sum of \$603,296.90, which is now available as a revenue from the Cares Act for reimbursement of COVID-19 related expenses for the period of June 1 – September 30, 2020.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$603,296.90 is hereby appropriated under the caption:

**“2020 CARES ACT REIMBURSEMENT”**

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-286                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF BOOKS  
AND MATERIALS FROM BAKER & TAYLOR, INC. FOR THE  
MONROE TOWNSHIP LIBRARY. (\$80,000)**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Monroe has a need to acquire books and materials from Baker & Taylor, Inc., P.O. Box 7777, Philadelphia, Pa. 19175, for the Monroe Township Library; and

**WHEREAS**, Baker & Taylor, Inc. possesses the ability to provide said goods and services; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(q) any contract the amount which exceeds the bid threshold, may be negotiated and awarded by the governing body without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor and shall be approved by Resolution of the Township Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the total purchase amount is \$80,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as evidenced by Certificate No. C-2000070, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A";

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe hereby authorizes the purchase of books and materials for the Monroe Township Library in the amount of \$80,000.00;

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-287                    RESOLUTION SETTING THE SALARIES OF THE OFFICE OF  
THE TOWNSHIP CLERK.**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the provisions of the Township’s Charter, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-et. seq., commonly known as The Faulkner Act Mayor-Council form, the authority to set salaries for employees in the Office of the Township Clerk rests with the Township Council (N.J.S.A. 40:69A-36(a)); and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council finds it appropriate to set the salaries for non-union employees of the Office of Township Clerk for the calendar year 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, Middlesex County, that the salaries for the employees of the Office of the Township Clerk, not subject to a Collective Bargaining Agreement, are as follows:

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| Township Clerk -                          | \$138,036.00 |
| Deputy Clerk –                            | \$ 82,814.00 |
| Deputy Clerk -                            | \$ 75,683.00 |
| Township Records Management Coordinator – | \$ 56,058.00 |

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-288                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF  
PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF  
A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED FOR KIDDIE  
ACADEMY – BA-5144-17. (Joan Warren Way)**

**WHEREAS, CT07 Shared Commercial LLC and DT07 Shared Commercial LLC** has posted Performance Guarantees for the Kiddie Academy project (BA-5144-17); and

**WHEREAS**, a request was made for the release of the Performance Guarantees posted for this project; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 108-13.1 F and G of the Code of the Township of Monroe, the Township Engineer has recommended release of the Performance Guarantees; and

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

**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 Performance Guarantees posted for the Kiddie Academy project (BA-5144-17), be released as reflected in the Township Engineer's letter dated December 3, 2020, attached hereto. This approval for release of the Performance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a maintenance guarantee in the amount of **\$38,786.94**. 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 one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) at this time into the existing engineering inspection escrow account, which is more reasonable.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-289                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF  
PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF  
A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED FOR MATRIX 259-  
PB-1212-18. (Prospect Plains Road)**

**WHEREAS, Matrix 259 LCE** has posted Performance Guarantees for the Block 56, Lot 9.04 Matrix Corporate Campus Parking Expansion project (PB-1212-18); and

**WHEREAS**, a request was made for the release of the Performance Guarantees posted for this project; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 108-13.1 F and G of the Code of the Township of Monroe, the Township Engineer has recommended release of the Performance Guarantees; and

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

**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 Performance Guarantees posted for the Block 56, Lot 9.04 Matrix Corporate Campus Parking Expansion project (PB-1212-18), be released as reflected in the Township Engineer's letter dated December 9, 2020, attached hereto. This approval for release of the Performance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a maintenance guarantee in the amount of **\$750.00**. 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 thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) at this time into the existing engineering inspection escrow account, which is more reasonable.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.



**R-12-2020-293**

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SALE AND  
ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000  
AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL  
OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF  
MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW  
JERSEY, AUTHORIZED BY A REFUNDING BOND  
ORDINANCE FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP  
COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP ON DECEMBER 28, 2020, TO  
REFUND CERTAIN BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP, AND  
PROVIDING FOR THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS WITH  
RESPECT TO THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF SAID  
REFUNDING BONDS. (corresponds with O-12-2020-022)**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 *et seq.*, as amended and supplemented (the “Local Bond Law”), the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey (the “Township”) issued (i) \$30,075,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012, dated August 7, 2012, \$12,000,000 of which are currently outstanding and maturing on or after December 15, 2022 and which bonds are subject to redemption on or after December 15, 2021 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the par amount to be redeemed (the “2012 Refunded Bonds”), and (ii) \$28,235,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013, dated February 6, 2013, \$16,500,000 of which are currently outstanding and maturing on or after January 15, 2023 and which bonds are subject to redemption on or after January 15, 2022 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the par amount to be redeemed (the “2013 Refunded Bonds” and together with the 2012 Refunded Bonds, the “Refunded Bonds”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has determined that refunding bonds can be issued to refund, in whole or in part, such Refunded Bonds which, under current market conditions, can generate net present value debt service savings to the Township equal to or greater than three percent (3%), which savings is the minimum amount required by the Local Finance Board, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey (the “Local Finance Board”) to undertake such refunding of the Refunded Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has determined to provide for the refunding of the Refunded Bonds through the issuance by the Township of not to exceed \$30,000,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Refunding Bonds (the “Refunding Bonds”), as provided in a refunding bond ordinance, entitled “REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP TO ACHIEVE DEBT SERVICE SAVINGS, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP TO EFFECT SUCH REFUNDING AND APPROPRIATING THE PROCEEDS THEREFOR”, finally adopted by the Township Council of the Township on December 28, 2020 (the “Ordinance”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township deems it desirable and necessary to issue the Refunding Bonds pursuant to the Ordinance in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$30,000,000, a portion of the sale proceeds of which shall be used to refund the Refunded Bonds, and it is deemed advisable and in the best interests of the Township to provide for the sale, form, maturity dates and other matters in connection with such authorization, sale, issuance, execution and delivery of the Refunding Bonds.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY** (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Authority for Resolution.** Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law, the Township Council of the Township has heretofore adopted the Ordinance which authorized the issuance of refunding bonds in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$30,000,000, and the Township Council of the Township hereby determines to issue, pursuant to the Ordinance, the Refunding Bonds of the Township in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 consisting of one or more series of bonds as shall be in the best interest of the Township as described Section 2 below.

**Section 2. Authorization of Refunding Bonds.** In accordance with the Local Bond Law, and for the purpose of providing funds to (i) achieve debt service savings by refunding the outstanding and callable principal amount of the Refunded Bonds, including the payment of the redemption premium thereon, as applicable, and the interest accrued and to accrue thereon to the date fixed for redemption, and (ii) pay the costs of issuance relating to the Refunding Bonds, including underwriting, printing, credit enhancement or other insurance premiums, advertising, paying agent and escrow fees, verification agent fees, rating agency fees, accounting, municipal advisory, legal and other expenses in connection therewith, all as more fully set forth in the Ordinance, there shall be issued Refunding Bonds of the Township, consisting of one or more series as shall be in the best interest of the Township, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 and same shall be designated “General Obligation Refunding Bonds,

Series 2021” (or such other designation as may be necessary to identify such bonds, including each series or year thereof) (the “Refunding Bonds”).

**Section 3. Details of Refunding Bonds.** The Refunding Bonds shall be payable with respect to principal and interest in any coin or currency of the United States of America which, at the respective dates of payment thereof, is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts, shall be issued in fully registered book-entry only form, without coupons, payable to the Securities Depository (as hereinafter defined) or its registered assigns, and sold in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof (except that any amount maturing in one year in excess of the largest principal amount thereof equaling a multiple of \$5,000 shall be in denominations of \$1,000 or any integral multiple thereof), and shall be issued substantially in the form as provided as Exhibit A to this Resolution, with such omissions, insertions and variations as are properly required and in one or more series as shall be in the best interest of the Township. The Refunding Bonds shall be dated, and shall bear interest from their date of issuance, as shall be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township in consultation with Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Bond Counsel (“Bond Counsel”) to the Township, and Phoenix Advisors, LLC, Municipal Advisor (the “Municipal Advisor”) to the Township, and such date shall be the Issue Date with respect to the Refunding Bonds. The Refunding Bonds shall be numbered consecutively from “R-1” upwards.

The Refunding Bonds shall mature in each of the years and shall bear interest at the respective rates of interest per annum from their date of delivery until such Refunding Bonds shall be paid, redeemed or discharged as shall be set forth in, as applicable, the Bond Purchase Contract or Private Placement Agreement to be dated the date of the sale and award of the Refunding Bonds by and between the Township and, as applicable, the hereinafter defined Underwriter or Purchaser (the “Bond Purchase Contract”).

Interest on the Refunding Bonds shall be payable as shall be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor (each an “Interest Payment Date”) in each year until maturity or prior redemption, by wire transfer of the Township or, on behalf of the Township, by a duly appointed Paying Agent and Bond Registrar (collectively, the “Paying Agent”) to the registered owners thereof whose names appear on the registration books of the Township maintained by the Township or a duly appointed Paying Agent (15) days preceding each Interest Payment Date (the “Record Date”), at their respective addresses as shown in the registration books of the Township or other duly appointed Paying Agent.

**Section 4. Redemption.** The Refunding Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to their stated dates of maturity as set forth therein.

**Section 5. Payment of Refunding Bonds.** The principal of the Refunding Bonds, when due, shall be payable upon presentation and surrender thereof at the Township’s Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, Monroe, New Jersey or the principal corporate trust office of any duly appointed Paying Agent.

**Section 6. Execution of Refunding Bonds.** The Refunding Bonds shall be executed in the name of the Township by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer of the Township and the seal of the Township shall be affixed, imprinted or reproduced thereon and attested by the manual signature of the Clerk of the Township. If any officer whose signature appears on the Refunding Bonds ceases to hold such office before the delivery of the Refunding Bonds, his or her signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes. In addition, any Refunding Bond may bear the signature of, or may be signed by, such persons as at the actual time of the signing of such Refunding Bond shall be the proper officers to sign such Refunding Bond although at the date of such Refunding Bond such persons may not have been officers.

**Section 7. Registration of Refunding Bonds.** The Township or any Paying Agent shall also maintain and keep books for the registration and transfer of interests in the Refunding Bonds. The Paying Agent, if applicable, shall also act as agent for the Township for the transfer or exchange of any of the Refunding Bonds.

**Section 8. Form of Refunding Bonds.** Subject to the provisions of this Resolution, the Refunding Bonds shall be in substantially the form as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, with such omissions, insertions, endorsements and variations as may be required by the circumstances and be required or permitted by this Resolution or the Ordinance or as may be consistent with this Resolution and the Ordinance and necessary or appropriate to conform to the rules and requirements of any governmental authority or any usage or requirement of law with respect thereto or as may be necessary for the Township to market the Refunding Bonds in accordance with the requirements of DTC, upon advice of Bond Counsel and/or Municipal Advisor to the Township.

**Section 9. Book-Entry Only System.** The Refunding Bonds shall be initially issued in registered book-entry form in the form of one certificate for the aggregate principal amount of the Refunding Bonds maturing in each year and, when issued, will be registered in the name of, and held by, Cede & Co., as registered owner and nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York

("DTC"), which is hereby appointed as securities depository ("Securities Depository") for the Refunding Bonds.

**Section 10. Application of Proceeds of Refunding Bonds.** (a) From the proceeds of the sale of the Refunding Bonds, the following amounts shall simultaneously with the issuance of such Refunding Bonds (or as soon as practicable thereafter) be paid by the Township as follows:

(1) To the payees designated by the Mayor and/or Chief Financial Officer of the Township, amounts representing the costs of issuance for the Refunding Bonds;

(2) To the Township, an amount representing accrued interest, if any, on the Refunding Bonds from the Issue Date to the date of delivery thereof and payment therefor, such amount to be used for the payment of interest on the Refunding Bonds as the same shall become due and payable on the first Interest Payment Date; and

(3) To the Escrow Agent, if any (appointed pursuant to Section 10(c) hereof), an amount to be held in trust by the Escrow Agent to accomplish the Refunding, to be applied in accordance with Section 10(b)(i), (ii), and (iii) herein.

(b) The Chief Financial Officer of the Township is hereby authorized and directed, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, to negotiate and approve an Escrow Deposit Agreement by and between the Township and the Escrow Agent (the "Escrow Deposit Agreement") to be selected by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, providing for the portion of the proceeds of the sale of the Refunding Bonds described in Section 10(a)(3) hereof (the "Refunding Proceeds") to be deposited in an escrow fund to be held by the Escrow Agent in trust to, among other things, (i) pay at maturity all or a portion of the principal amount of the Refunded Bonds, (ii) pay interest on all or a portion of the Refunded Bonds until the applicable date fixed for redemption, (iii) pay the applicable redemption premium, if any, on the principal amount of certain Refunded Bonds on the date fixed for redemption. The Chief Financial Officer of the Township is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Escrow Deposit Agreement on behalf of the Township. Any moneys in such fund may be invested as provided in the Local Bond Law and other applicable law and any moneys in excess of the amounts required for such purpose may be used for any lawful purpose of the Township.

(c) The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, to negotiate and appoint an escrow agent (the "Escrow Agent") to accomplish the Refunding to the extent such escrow agent is required or desirable to accomplish the Refunding. Pursuant to the terms of the Escrow Deposit Agreement, the Refunding Proceeds shall be deposited in a separate fund to be held by the Township or the Escrow Agent, as applicable, in trust to accomplish the Refunding. Any moneys in such fund may be invested as provided in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-60, and any moneys in excess of the amounts required for such purpose may be used for any lawful purpose of the Township.

(d) Pending disbursement for the purposes thereof, the portion of the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds not constituting Refunding Proceeds may be invested to the extent permitted by law.

**Section 11. Verification Agent.** The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to select a verification agent (the "Verification Agent"), if required, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor with respect to the Refunded Bonds. The Verification Agent shall prepare the verification report required to verify, among other things, the sufficiency of the escrowed monies to refund the Refunded Bonds and pay any accrued interest related thereto.

**Section 12. Award of Refunding Bonds.** The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to appoint an Underwriter (the "Underwriter") or a Purchaser (the "Purchaser") for the Refunding Bonds and compensation to the Underwriter or Purchaser, as applicable, shall not exceed \$5.00 per \$1,000.00 in the aggregate principal amount of Refunding Bonds issued, including the Underwriter's or Purchaser's costs and expenses. The Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer of the Township are each hereby authorized and directed, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, to negotiate and approve the terms of a Bond Purchase Contract or Private Placement Agreement with, as applicable, the Underwriter or Purchaser for the purchase of the Refunding Bonds, including the compensation to the Underwriter or Purchaser for, as applicable, the marketing, underwriting and purchase of the Refunding Bonds. The Refunding Bonds are hereby authorized to be sold to the appointed Underwriter or Purchaser in accordance with the terms of, as applicable, the Bond Purchase Contract or Private Placement Agreement. The Mayor and/or Chief Financial Officer of the Township are each hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Bond Purchase Contract or Private Placement Agreement on behalf of the Township and the Clerk of the Township is authorized to attest such signatures.

**Section 13. Official Statement.** Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor are hereby authorized and directed, if necessary, to prepare the Preliminary Official Statement (the "Preliminary Official Statement") to be used in connection with the marketing and sale of the Refunding Bonds. The

distribution by the Underwriter of a Preliminary Official Statement on behalf of the Township to be used in connection with the marketing and sale of such Refunding Bonds by the Underwriter is hereby approved. The Mayor and Chief Financial Officer of the Township are each hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a certificate to the Underwriter that “deems final” the Preliminary Official Statement in accordance with the Rule (as herein defined).

Upon the sale of the Refunding Bonds to the Underwriter, the Preliminary Official Statement shall be modified, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, to reflect the effect of the Bond Purchase Contract and any other revisions not inconsistent with the substance thereof deemed necessary or advisable by Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, and said Preliminary Official Statement deemed “final” by the Township in accordance with the Rule (as hereinafter defined) as so modified shall constitute the final Official Statement (the “Official Statement”). The Mayor and Chief Financial Officer of the Township are each hereby authorized and directed on behalf of the Township to execute and deliver said Official Statement. If applicable, the provisions of this Section 13 that authorize and “deem final” an Official Statement shall also apply to a Limited Offering Memorandum.

**Section 14. Prior Action.** All actions taken to date by the officers, employees, professionals and agents of the Township with respect to the authorization, marketing, sale and issuance of the Refunding Bonds, including, but not limited to, submissions and applications to rating agencies and the execution and delivery of subscription forms for the purchase of United States Time Deposit Securities – State and Local Government Series, be and the same hereby are approved, ratified, adopted and confirmed, *nunc pro tunc*, and the Mayor and/or Chief Financial Officer are each hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any such agreements, documents or submissions, and the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest to the signatures of the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer and to affix the seal of the Township on such agreements, documents or submissions.

**Section 15. Delivery of Refunding Bonds.** The Refunding Bonds, in registered form, shall, as soon as practicable, be prepared, executed and delivered in definitive form to, as applicable, the Underwriter or the Purchaser at the expense of the Township, upon payment in full of the purchase price for the Refunding Bonds.

**Section 16. Actions to be Taken on Behalf of the Township.** The various officers of the Township are hereby authorized and directed to do all matters necessary, useful, convenient or desirable to accomplish, as applicable, the authorization, sale, issuance, execution, and delivery of (i) the Refunding Bonds to, as applicable, the Underwriter or Purchaser as promptly as possible, in accordance with the provisions hereof, (ii) one or more subscriptions for the purchase of United States Government Obligations or the purchase of United States Treasury Obligations, State and Local Government Series, if applicable, and (iii) closing documentation.

The Mayor and Chief Financial Officer of the Township are each hereby authorized to enter into (i) an agreement with DTC setting forth the respective obligations of DTC, the Township and the Paying Agent (if any) with respect to the payment and transfer of the Refunding Bonds; (ii) an agreement with the Escrow Agent with respect to the matters described in Section 10 hereof, if any, and (iii) an agreement with a verification agent to verify the sufficiency of the escrow created by the Escrow Deposit Agreement to refund the outstanding Refunded Bonds. The Township agrees to comply with all obligations set forth in each such agreement.

The Underwriter, Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor are each hereby authorized to, as applicable, prepare and arrange for the printing or reproduction of the Preliminary Official Statement, the final Official Statement and the Refunding Bonds, and any such prior actions related thereto heretofore taken by such Underwriter, Bond Counsel and Municipal Advisor are hereby ratified and confirmed.

**Section 17. Tax Covenant.** The interest paid on the Bonds may or may not be included in gross income of the owners thereof for Federal income tax purposes. The Chief Financial Officer of the Township, in consultation with the Municipal Advisor and Bond Counsel, is hereby delegated the authority to determine whether the Refunding Bonds will be issued on a tax-exempt or taxable basis.

**Section 18. Authorizations.** All other details or requirements of the Local Bond Law shall be determined and approved by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, upon consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by his or her execution of the Refunding Bonds as provided herein.

**Section 19. Pledge of Township.** The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged for the prompt and timely payment of the principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds. The Refunding Bonds shall be direct obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds without limitation as to rate or amount.

**Section 20. Ratings and Insurance.** The Chief Financial Officer of the Township is hereby authorized and directed, upon consultation with Bond Counsel, the Underwriter and the Municipal Advisor, to submit information and financial data to (i) ratings agencies and (2) municipal bond insurance companies so long as the purchase of municipal bond insurance for the Refunding Bonds is cost effective in the marketing of the Refunding Bonds to reduce the interest costs to the Township and, if so, then to execute and deliver a commitment for municipal bond insurance (the “Commitment”) with a bond insurer to insure the payment of principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds; and is further authorized and directed to carry out the terms and conditions contained in the Commitment and to execute and deliver all documents, agreements and conditions in connection with the issuance of the Refunding Bonds and the execution and delivery of the Commitment.

**Section 21. Continuing Disclosure.** The Township hereby covenants and agrees to comply with the secondary market disclosure requirements of Rule 15c2-12, as amended (the “Rule”), promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and agrees to covenant to such compliance in a Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the “Continuing Disclosure Certificate”). In connection therewith, the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, are each hereby authorized and directed to enter into and execute the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, evidencing the contractual undertaking of the Township to comply with the requirements of the Rule and to deliver the Continuing Disclosure Certificate to the Underwriter in connection with the offer and sale of the Refunding Bonds. Notwithstanding the foregoing, failure of the Township to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall not be considered a default on the Refunding Bonds; however, any Bondholder may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance, to cause the Township to comply with its obligations hereunder and thereunder. The Mayor, the Chief Financial Officer and the Clerk of the Township or any other Township official or professional, including the Township’s Auditor, Municipal Advisor, or a duly appointed dissemination agent, are each hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver all certificates, documents and agreements in connection therewith and to file budgetary, financial and operating data on an annual basis and notices of certain enumerated events as required to comply with, and in accordance with, the provisions of the Rule.

**Section 22. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon the effective date of the Ordinance.

**R-12-2020-294 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO RUDCO PRODUCTS, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF ROLL-OFF CONTAINERS FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. (\$27,395.00)**

**WHEREAS**, on December 15, 2020, the Monroe Township Public Works Department solicited proposals for (6) six roll-off containers; and

**WHEREAS**, the two (2) competitive quotes received are as herein below set forth:

**RUDCO Products, Inc.** – Vineland, NJ - \$27,395.00  
(includes freight)

**Wastequip** – Williamstown, N.J. - \$27,972.00  
(includes freight)

**WHEREAS**, the Township QPA has reviewed the two (2) proposals received and, by copy of letter dated December 16, 2020, recommends the award of contract to **RUDCO Products, Inc., 114 East Oak Road, Vineland, NJ 08360**, in the amount of **\$27,395.00**; and

**WHEREAS**, the award of contract is subject to the compliance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.; any contractor, subcontractor of business firm agree and guarantee 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, County of Middlesex that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of contract, to **RUDCO Products, Inc.** for (6) six roll-off containers for a total contract price of **\$27,395.00**; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township’s Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as evidenced by Certificate No. C-2000071; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay **RUDCO Products, 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 ***RUDCO Products, Inc.*** 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-12-2020-295                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO  
WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP FOR THE PURCHASE OF  
UNIFORMS FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP EMS  
DEPARTMENT. (\$15,030.00)**

**WHEREAS**, on December 16, 2020, the Monroe Township EMS Department solicited proposals for uniforms; and

**WHEREAS**, the two (2) competitive quotes received are as herein below set forth:

**Atlantic Tactical** – Somerset, NJ - \$15,097.58  
(includes long, short and ¼ sleeve job shirts and twill pants)

**Witmer Public Safety Group** – Coatsville, PA - \$15,030.00  
(includes long, short and ¼ sleeve job shirts and twill pants)

**WHEREAS**, the Township QPA has reviewed the two (2) proposals received and, by copy of letter dated December 16, 2020, recommends the award of contract to ***Witmer Public Safety Group, 104 Independence Way, Coatsville, PA 19320***, in the amount of **\$15,030.00**; and

**WHEREAS**, the award of contract is subject to the compliance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.; any contractor, subcontractor of business firm agree and guarantee 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, County of Middlesex that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of contract, to ***Witmer Public Safety Group*** for uniforms for a total contract price of **\$15,030.00**; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as evidenced by Certificate No. C-2000072, a copy of which is attached hereto; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Certified Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay ***Witmer Public Safety Group*** in accordance with the contract entered into between the parties; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract is awarded with the stipulation that ***Witmer Public Safety Group*** 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-12-2020-296                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX OVERPAYMENTS.**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector for the Township of Monroe has recommended this Council's approval to make refunds for tax overpayments in the amount of Twenty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Eight dollars and Twenty cents (\$20,988.20) for the amounts described on Schedule A and attached hereto

**WHEREAS**, good cause has been shown

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer be and is hereby directed to draw a check from the General Account refunding the Tax overpayments described above to be distributed as set forth on the attached Schedule A:

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-297 RESOLUTION CANCELING GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION BALANCES.**

**WHEREAS**, certain General Capital Improvement appropriation balances remain dedicated to projects now completed; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the unexpended unused debt authorizations may be canceled;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVE**, by the council of the Township of Monroe that the following unexpended and dedicated balances of General Capital Appropriations be canceled:

| <b>Ordinance No.</b>        | <b>Date Authorized</b> | <b>Project Description</b>                                     | <b>Amount Cancelled</b> |                       |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|
|                             |                        |  | <b>Funded</b>           | <b>Unfunded</b>       |
| <b>GENERAL CAPITAL FUND</b> |                        |  |                         |                       |
| O-6-2011-017(h)             | 6/27/2011              | Intersection Improvements- Prospect Plains and Applegarth Road | \$ 24,625.00            | \$ 456,000.00         |
| O-7-2014-012(d)             | 7/7/2014               | Federal/Perrineville Road Land Acq.                            |                         | \$ 372,003.00         |
| O-7-2015-010(e)             | 7/6/2015               | Federal/Perrineville Traffic Signal                            | \$ 593,040.20           | \$ 248,789.49         |
| <b>TOTALS:</b>              |                        |  | <b>\$ 617,665.20</b>    | <b>\$1,076,792.49</b> |

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-298 RESOLUTION CANCELING APPROPRIATION BALANCES.**

**WHEREAS**, the following Current Fund budget appropriation balances remain unexpended:

|                                       |                     |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Data Processing                       | 10,000.00           |
| Emergency Management OE               | 80,000.00           |
| Buildings & Grounds OE                | 25,000.00           |
| Police S&W                            | 500,000.00          |
| Administration S&W                    | 50,000.00           |
| Emergency Management S&W              | 10,000.00           |
| Recreation S&W                        | 100,000.00          |
| Buildings & Grounds S&W               | 100,000.00          |
| Parks S&W                             | 50,000.00           |
| Clerk S&W                             | 30,000.00           |
| Senior Services S&W                   | 75,000.00           |
| Construction S&W                      | 100,000.00          |
| Department of Public Works S&W        | 50,000.00           |
| Public Information Office S&W         | 20,000.00           |
| Ambulance In Cap S&W                  | 200,000.00          |
| Finance S&W                           | 75,000.00           |
| Human Resources S&W                   | 22,000.00           |
| Health OE                             | 140,000.00          |
| Public Employees Retirement System    | 98,000.00           |
| Police and Firemens Retirement System | 165,000.00          |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>1,900,000.00</b> |

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the unexpended balances may be credited to surplus.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Monroe, that the above listed unexpended balances of the Current Fund 2020 Budget be canceled.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-299                    RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 2021.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that during the year 2021 the Combined Agenda and Regular meetings of the Township Council will be held each month at **6:30 p.m.** starting with the Agenda Meeting and Regular Meeting to immediately follow.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all Township meetings as provided in the **2021 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE**, attached hereto and made a part hereof, will be held electronically until further action by the Township Council in the form of a resolution authorizing the resumption of Council Meetings in the Monroe Township Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, Monroe Twp., New Jersey; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, in consideration of Executive Order No. 103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency and a Public Health Emergency in the State of New Jersey, the Township of Monroe will be holding all council meetings **electronically only** via zoom at the following website: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/106827708>, until the State of Emergency has been lifted and further action has been taken by Council; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that information regarding the proposed agenda and instructions for attending and participating in the Township Council meetings is available on the Township of Monroe website [www.monroetwp.com](http://www.monroetwp.com) under the Mayor and Council tab/Council Minutes and Agendas.

**R-12-2020-300                    RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL TOWNSHIP NEWSPAPERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that the **HOME NEWS TRIBUNE, CRANBURY PRESS AND/OR THE STAR LEDGER** are hereby designated as the official newspapers of the Township of Monroe for Year 2021; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Bulletin Boards within the Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, NJ are hereby designated as the place where **ALL** official notices are to be posted.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-301                    RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2021 CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

**WHEREAS**, P.L. 1983, Chapter 8, Local Fiscal Affairs Law; N.J.S.A. 40A:5-2 has been amended to require that each municipality designate a Cash Management Plan for the deposit of each local unit's monies;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the 2021 Cash Management Plan, copy attached hereto and made a part hereof, be and is hereby adopted.

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

Copy of Resolutions Duly Filed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the following Resolutions were moved for Adoption and considered separately:

**R-12-2020-281                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF DOG KENNEL LICENSES FOR THE 2021 LICENSE TERM.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.8 the Township of Monroe is authorized to issue certain Dog Kennel Licenses on an annual basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the present Licensees have applied to the Office of the Township Clerk for renewal of these licenses; and

**WHEREAS**, license issuance is contingent upon the review of all applications by the Department of Health and the Zoning Officer and compliance with N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.8;



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Township of Monroe County of Middlesex, that the following Dog Kennel Licenses are hereby renewed for the 2021 License term:

Michelle Williams  
t/a Sycamore Acres  
454 Spotswood-Englishtown Road  
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

Michele Martin  
t/a Puppy Paradise  
150 Applegarth Road  
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

Dorothy Harvey  
t/a Raise the Woof  
671 Spotswood-Englishtown Road  
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-290                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE  
ORDER NO. 1 AND FINAL SUBMITTED BY S&G PAVING INC.  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE MONMOUTH ROAD  
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. (Decrease of \$118,081.61)**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution No. R-3-2019-080, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on March 4, 2019, a contract was awarded to S & G Paving Inc. in connection with the Monmouth Road Improvements Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the original total contract amount was \$687,550.56; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer, in a letter dated November 20, 2020, requested approval of Change Order No. 1 and Final for the Monmouth Road Improvements Project reflecting a decrease of \$118,081.61 in the contract amount, as the result of adjusted contract quantities, as described in the attached change order; and

**WHEREAS**, the current contract price including this change order is **\$569,468.95**; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified in Certificate No. **C-1900009**, a copy of which is attached hereto, that sufficient funds are available;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute Change Order No. 1 and Final, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-291                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE  
GUARANTEES POSTED BY S&G PAVING INC. FOR THE  
MONMOUTH ROAD IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT UPON THE  
POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution No. R-3-2019-080, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on March 4, 2019, a contract was awarded to S & G Paving Inc. in connection with the Monmouth Road Improvements Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the original total contract amount was \$687,550.56; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer, in a letter dated November 20, 2020, requested approval of Change Order No. 1 and Final for the Monmouth Road Improvements Project reflecting a decrease of \$118,081.61 in the contract amount, as the result of adjusted contract quantities, as described in the attached change order; and

**WHEREAS**, the current contract price including this change order is **\$569,468.95**; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified in Certificate No. **C-1900009**, a copy of which is attached hereto, that sufficient funds are available;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute Change Order No. 1 and Final, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-12-2020-292                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF TOWING CONTRACTORS LICENSES AND PLACEMENT ON A ROTATING LIST TO BE UTILIZED BY THE MONROE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR 2021-2023.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Chapter 116 of the Monroe Township Code entitled, "Towing and Storing of Vehicles", towing contractors are required to be licensed through the Office of the Township Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned Ordinance mandates that towing contractors must file for renewal of their licenses on or before November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year; and

**WHEREAS**, all towing contractors have filed for renewal of their licenses for the 2021-2023 license term; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid licensees have filed the appropriate application materials and paid the appropriate license fees to the Office of the Township Clerk;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, that it hereby renews the towing contractor's licenses for the 2021-2023 license term with no change in type and/or extent of operation for the following licensees and authorizes placement on a rotating list to be utilized by the Monroe Township Police Department:

Gabriella Giancola  
t/a Monroe Auto Body Towing, LLC  
31 Bordentown Tpk.  
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

Gerard Noonan  
t/a Jerry Noonan's Auto Center, Inc.  
251 Applegarth Rd.  
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

George Logan  
t/a George Logan Towing Inc.  
371 Old Georges Rd.  
North Brunswick, NJ 08902

George Tarantino  
t/a Tarantino Bros., Inc.  
134 Helmetta Rd.  
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

Joseph Sensale  
t/a First Due Towing & Recovery  
253 Spotswood-Englishtown Rd.  
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

Harry Stasinos  
t/a Cranbury Service Center  
44 Hightstown-Cranbury Station Rd.  
Cranbury, NJ 08512

Thomas DeFalco  
t/a DeFalco Automotive Services  
843 Route 33 West  
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

Morgan Filos  
Morgan's HDT, LLC t/a Taylor's  
289 Route 33 East Bldg C  
Manalapan, NJ 07726

Dennis Boyce  
t/a Dennis Boyce Towing, LLC  
806 Route 33 East  
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

Dennis Boyce  
t/a Dennis Boyce Towing, LLC  
4036 Englishtown Rd.  
Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

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

Copy of Resolutions Duly Filed.

**REPORTS:**

**Mayor's Report** – No Report.

**Administrator's Report** – Administrator Weinberg gave an update on the BFI Landfill stating that the Township has been working on this for about 4 months now. A letter has been written and sent today to the DEP and EPA due to the spills that have occurred during their pump and haul operations. Administrator Weinberg noted that the Township is taking this very seriously and has received several phone calls about this over the Christmas holiday. He added that the DEP and EPA have the responsibility for making sure their short and long term plans operate properly and we will not tolerate any mistakes on their end.

Secondly, the Administration has been advocating for the Covid19 vaccination upon roll out and what we know so far is that hospitals are vaccinating their front line workers and staff and long term care facilities have begun vaccinating their residents starting today. He noted that the Township will survey the long term care facilities within and make sure they are moving ahead with the vaccination expeditiously. He added that we do not know how long it will take to get all of the long term care facilities done. The Governor has announced that there will be 6 regional locations administering the vaccines, with the closest one to us being in Edison at the Expo Center. It is expected that the next phase of people being administered the vaccine will include First Responders and police. Administrator Weinberg added that we will do everything to ensure that we receive our fair share of the vaccine and once we have formal information it will most definitely be shared with the residents as we will continue to make our voices heard. Administrator Weinberg implored everyone that the next several months are crucial and we need to remain vigilant and stay safe to get through this. He thanked the Mayor and Council, as well as, the employees and residents for their continue support and cooperation.

Highlighted that the Veteran's Affordable Housing Project is increasing from 37 units to 80 units which is exciting.

Noted that on the agenda tonight was the ordinance to refinance our outstanding debt.

Also on tonight's agenda were two traffic signalization improvements; one being at the intersectin of Joan Warren Way and Applegarth Road and the second being at the intersection of Mounts Mills Road and Old Bridge-Englishtown Road.

Noted that the CARES Act money has been extremely beneficial and critical.

Lastly, thanked the DPW and MTUS for their efforts clearing the snow from the last storm. He complimented that a great job was done by both departments.

**Engineer's Report** – Engineer Rasimowicz gave an update on a few ongoing projects; in regard to Stonebridge, Lennar has been out working on the concrete and tree replacements and is now working on the stormwater repairs. The contractor working on Renaissance at 33 has started the drainage repairs and will return in the Spring to do the concrete, pavement, and lawn restoration. Regarding Four Seasons, K Hovnanian has begun the work but will return in the Spring to finish.

The 2020 Roadway Improvement Project has been completed and the striping has taken place with the remainder of the work being completed weather permitting.

The traffic signal project at the intersection of Matchaponix/Pergola Avenue and Spotswood Gravel Hill Road has been winterized with the rest of the work to be done by the contractor in the Spring. Verizon is still waiting on equipment that has been delayed but the traffic signal pole bases and conduit has been installed with hopes that it will be completed in the Spring.

The traffic signal project at the intersection of Old Bridge-Englishtown Road and Mounts Mills Road is being led by the County and that project will include the installation of a traffic signal and a dedicated left turn. The Council approved the acquisition of that land necessary to have the improvements made at tonight's meeting.

Lastly, the traffic signal project at the intersection of Applegarth Road and Joan Warren Way is being done by the developer who is paying for the improvements and will provide for a dedicated left turn out of Joan Warren Way which will start hopefully in the Spring.

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

##### **Council Vice-President Schneider–**

- The Library’s bookmobile is available and has helped boost the morale within the Township.
- Pray and hope everyone stays safe as we enter 2021.
- Glad to see that the Veteran’s Affordable Housing Project is moving forward.

##### **Councilman Dalina –**

- Thanked Rob and Doug for the follow-up of posting information for the meeting.
- Thanked DPW for their work on the storm.
- Thanked Lois Kane for her work on the Library Board of Trustees as she steps down from that role.
- Wished everyone a safe and happy celebration this New Years.

##### **Councilman Dipierro –**

- Thanked the IT Dept for their great job in 2020 in handling all of the remote meetings.
- Thanked all of the Township employees and hopes we can get back in 2021.
- Thanked the Station 51 for their Santa run this year.
- Thanked the Police and First Aid for the donations they made for the children this year.
- Thanked all of the teachers and staff for doing an amazing job.
- Shared his concern with the BFI landfill situation and thanked the Mayor for staying on top of this, as well as, Director Stroin and Shannon Cenci.
- Hopes that the DPW will have their new chipper up and running for the winter months.
- Encouraged everyone to shop locally.
- Wished everyone a very happy holiday and implored them to stay safe.

##### **Councilman Baskin –**

- Asked if our First Responders have been vaccinated; Administrator Weinberg answered that they have not yet been vaccinated as one of the next phases is essential workers so hopefully it is imminent.
- Looking forward to closing out 2020 and wishes for a better year in 2021.

##### **Council President Cohen –**

- Very pleased with the Mayor’s strong worded letter regarding the BFI landfill situation.
- Looking forward to moving into 2021 and noted that we will keep stock of the vaccination as it continues to be distributed.
- The Cultural Arts Commission website has a virtual art show and encouraged all to check it out.
- Wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the **PUBLIC COMMENTS** portion of the Meeting was **opened**. All were in favor, none opposed.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Michele Arminio, 9 Nathaniel St.** – Mrs. Arminio reiterated her concerns regarding O-12-2020-025 stating that the letter states they maintain the right to change the jurisdiction of the land at any point in time. Further adding that the 2005 report is not a forever report and the letter of interpretation was based upon information submitted by the applicant therefore if the DEP relied solely on that report the public needs to know that. Attorney Rainone responded stating that the letter of interpretation confirms the DEP went out to the site on three different occasions.

Mrs. Arminio asked in regard to the BFI situation if any of the spill material has been tested for chemical components by the Township, is it toxic and are the methadone monitors still functioning, as well as, noting that it was a superfund site but is no longer listed as such so will it be re-registered and how can it be reintroduced if there are hazardous substances; Administrator Weinberg answered yes and all the results are on out the BFI page. He added that he believes there are hazardous substances, but he is unsure if they are toxic. Director Stroin answered that the liquid had been tested for priority pollutants by the EPA and the levels found were not at a threshold that posed an immediate risk to the residents. He noted that additional test results are coming. Lastly, he noted that he did not know about the methane monitors as the

Township does not run the site and he is unsure what the regulations are associated with that.

**Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr.** – Mr. Parab thanked the DPW for an excellent job during the snowstorms.

Thanked the IT Department for a great job in keeping up with the posting of ordinances and resolutions.

Mr. Parab noted that the Township has been having high Covid19 positivity's and are notably higher than surrounding towns and asked if we have contact tracers and why are the numbers so high here in the Township; Chief Biennas answered that contact tracing is done by the County Board of Health. The numbers are based on the County and the amount of testing that is being done. He added that some of the notifications received are old meaning they are older than 30 days. Administrator Weinberg stated that Middlesex County is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest County and of the 45,000 cases about 2,000 are in Monroe which equates to about 4%, but we are about 7% of the total population of the County.

Lastly, Mr. Parab stated that he knows the Township is on top of the vaccination and asked that once it becomes available to please notify.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the **PUBLIC COMMENTS** portion of the Meeting was **closed**. All were in favor, none opposed

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 8:00pm.

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

*Christine Robbins*

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CHRISTINE ROBBINS, Township Deputy Clerk

*Miriam Cohen*

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MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

Minutes were adopted on: January 11, 2021.