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**AGENDA MEETING
OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

FEBRUARY 25, 2019

AGENDA

1. Agenda Meeting Called to Order. (7:00 p.m.)

2. Salute to the Flag.

3. **ROLL CALL:**

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

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10. Mayor's Report.

11. Administrator's Report.

12. Engineer's Report.

13. Council's Reports.

14. Public. (5 Minutes per Speaker)

15. Adjournment. Time: _____

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AGENDA MEETING – FEBRUARY 25, 2019

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

The Agenda Meeting was Called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider with a Salute to the Flag.

UPON ROLL CALL by the Township Clerk, Patricia Reid, the following members of Council were present: Councilman Leonard Baskin, Councilwoman Miriam Cohen, Councilman Charles Dipierro, Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Gerald W. Tamburro, Business Administrator Alan M. Weinberg, Township Attorney Greg Pasquale, Engineer Mark Rasimowicz and Deputy Township Clerk Christine Robbins.

ABSENT: Council President Stephen Dalina.

There were approximately sixteen (16) members of the Public present in the audience.

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Councilwoman Cohen comments on Resolution R-3-2019-064 and acknowledged the hard work of the Cable Advisory Committee and gave kudos to Harold Klein and Attorney Richard Laskey for all of their involvement. She stated that she is proud of the report that has been submitted and encouraged the Mayor and Council to read it thoroughly as it is on the agenda for acceptance at the March 4th Regular Meeting.

Mayor's Report – Mentioned that it is the 181st anniversary of Monroe; will give a full report at the Regular Meeting.

Administrator's Report – No Report, will have full report at the Regular Meeting.

Engineer's Report – No Report, will have full report at the Regular Meeting.

Council's Reports:

Councilwoman Cohen –

- Will give a full report at the Regular Meeting.
- Very pleased with the report from the Cable Advisory Committee.
- Enjoyed a wonderful time with the Girl Scouts; moved with great ease as they danced and spoke about the country they had studied.

Councilman Baskin –

- Mentioned to Administrator Weinberg that Wikipedia needs to be corrected to reflect the correct birthdate for Monroe Township.
- Open Space & Farmland Preservation Committee meeting was cancelled due to the snow. He is looking forward to the meeting being rescheduled.
- Attended the Commuter's Meeting where there was positive movement.
- Will have a full report at the Regular Meeting.

Council Vice-President Schneider –

- Will give a full report at the Regular Meeting.
- Attended the Girl Scouts event which was amazing; they all wore wonderful costumes and put so much effort forward.

Councilman Dipierro –

- Asked for Councilman Baskin to let him know when the Open Space & Farmland Preservation Meeting is rescheduled as he would like to attend.
- Also attended the Girl Scout event; everyone did a great job.
- DPW did another great job as usual with the snowstorm.
- Asked Engineer Rasimowicz if a lighted crosswalk could be done on Monmouth Road, similar to the one by the high school.

Council President Dalina – Absent.

PUBLIC:

Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr. – Mr. Parab asked what the rescheduled date of the Open Space & Farmland Preservation meeting is; Administrator Weinberg answered that he has emailed Robert Hudak and Kristina for a date and once been determined the date will be put on the website.

Shared his appreciation of the Township website being update as it keeps everyone informed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the Agenda Meeting of February 25, 2019 Adjourned at 7:14 PM.

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

Patricia Reid

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

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ELIZABETH SCHNEIDER, Vice Council President

Minutes were adopted on: April 1, 2019.