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# COMBINED AGENDA AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

#### **JUNE 22, 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

4. Council President Cohen to request the **SUNSHINE LAW** be read into the record.

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

- 1. Posted on the Bulletin Boards within the Municipal Building on June 18, 2020 and remains posted at that location for public inspection;
- 2. Printed in the **HOME NEWS TRIBUNE** and noticed to the **CRANBURY PRESS** on June 18, 2020;
- 3. Posted on the Monroe Township website; and
- 4. Sent to those individuals who have requested personal notice.

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

5. **PROCLAMATIONS** and **PRESENTATIONS**:

Proclamation - Recognizing the Department of Public Works for their Efforts

During COVID-19 – July 2020 "DPW Appreciation Month"

6. **ORDINANCE(S)** for **SECOND READING** at the June 22, 2020 Regular Meeting:

O-5-2020-008 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION, BY DEDICATION, OF REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 17, LOT 3.40 ON THE OFFICIAL

TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, LOCATED OFF ENGLAND ROAD AND BRENTWOOD PLACE NEAR CRANBURY BROOK FOR OPEN

SPACE AND GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSES. (Hidden Pond)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Please note: by calling in you will only be able to hear the meeting and will not be able to participate with any public comment.

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R-6-2020-138

O-5-2020-009	ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 116 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "TOWING AND STORING O VEHICLES".
O-5-2020-010	ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES". (Towing, Construction and Utility Dept. Fees)
O-5-2020-011	ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
ORDINANCE(S) fo	or INTRODUCTION at the June 22, 2020 Regular Meeting:
O-6-2020-012	ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A CONSERVATION RESTRICTION AGREEMENT FOR REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 18, LOT 17 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, LOCATED OFF PERRINEVILLE ROAD FOR OPEN SPACE. (Galaxy Land Corp.) (Corresponding Resolution for County Grant No. R-6-2020-146)
O-6-2020-013	ORDINANCE TO ACQUIRE, BY NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT, REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 36, LOT 32 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, LOCATED OFF ENGLISHTOWN ROAD FOR OPEN SPACE AND GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSES. (35 acres - \$300,000)
O-6-2020-014	ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 122 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC". (Adding No Stopping or Standing on Docks Corner Rd.)
BUDGET RESOLU	UTIONS for CONSIDERATION at the June 22, 2020 Regular Meeting:
R-6-2020-134	RESOLUTION PROVIDING THAT THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET BE READ BY TITLE AT THE TIME OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.
R-6-2020-135	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT
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GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

R-6-2020-154

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R-6-2020-161

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R-6-2020-163

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R-6-2020-164

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR W&S 968 – CORNELL DEVELOPERS - PB #1101-11 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D"). (Ave. K)

> R-6-2020-165 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE

**OF** PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR MONROE MANOR, INC. SEC. 4A W&S 416.7, MONROE MANOR, INC. SEC. 7 W&S 416.8, MONROE MANOR, INC. SEC. 4B & 6 W&S 416.9 - PB #1039-7 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") (Butcher Rd)

10.	<b>Public Comments.</b> (	limited to <b>Agenda items only</b> - 5	5 Minutes per Speaker)
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11.	Agenda Meeting Adjo	urnment. Time:	
	MOTION:SECO	OND:	ROLL CALL: AyesNays

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## **JUNE 22, 2020**

## **AGENDA**

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May 4, 2020 – A	genda/Regular Comb	oined Meeting		
May 18, 2020 –	Special Meeting			
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	R-6-2020-135	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT
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	R-6-2020-135a	RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.
	MOTION:SEC	COND: ROLL CALL: AyesNays
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	MOTION:SECO	ND:	ROLL CALL: AyesNays
9.	Mayor's Report.		
10.	Administrator's Report	t.	
11.	Engineer's Report.		
12.	Council's Reports.		
13.	Public Comments.	(5 Minutes per Speaker)	
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	CLOSE:	MOTION:	SECOND:
14.	Adjournment.	MOTION:	SECOND:
	Time:	<u> </u>	

# TOWNSHIP OF MONROE

### **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

#### MEETING OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL – JUNE 22, 2020

The Council of the Township of Monroe met remotely via Zoom for a Combined Agenda/Regular Meeting.

The Combined Agenda/Regular Meeting was Called to Order at 6:30 p.m. by Council President Miriam Cohen with a Salute to the Flag.

**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**: Mayor Gerald W. Tamburro, Business Administrator Alan M. Weinberg, Township Attorney Lou Rainone, Engineer Mark Rasimowicz, CFO George Lang, Utility Director Joseph Stroin and Chief Michael Biennas.

There were approximately ten (10) members of the Public who joined remotely.

Council President Miriam Cohen requested the Deputy Township Clerk to read the following **SUNSHINE LAW** into the record:

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

- 1. Posted on the Bulletin Boards within the Municipal Building on June 18, 2020 and remains posted at that location for public inspection;
- 2. Printed in the **HOME NEWS TRIBUNE** and **CRANBURY PRESS** on June 18, 2020.
- 3. Posted on the Monroe Township website; and

O-5-2020-011

4. Sent to those individuals who have requested personal notice.

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

Council President Cohen called upon Mayor Tamburro to give a few words regarding the Proclamation Recognizing the Department of Public Works for their Efforts During COVID-19 and proclaiming July 2020 "DPW Appreciation Month". Mayor Tamburro extended his sincerest thanks and appreciation to the DPW for all their efforts in handling Covid-19. Council President Cohen reiterated the Mayor's sentiments and thanked the DPW for their hard work during this pandemic.

Deputy Township Clerk Christine Robbins read the following entitled **ORDINANCES** for **SECOND READING** at the **MONDAY**, **JUNE 22**, **2020** Regular Council Meeting:

O-5-2020-008	ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION, BY DEDICATION, OF REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 17, LOT 3.40 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, LOCATED OFF ENGLAND ROAD AND BRENTWOOD PLACE NEAR CRANBURY BROOK FOR OPEN SPACE AND GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSES. (Hidden Pond)
O-5-2020-009	ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 116 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "TOWING AND STORING OF VEHICLES".
O-5-2020-010	ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES".  (Towing, Construction and Utility Dept. Fees)

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET

APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

O-6-2020-013

O-6-2020-014

Deputy Township Clerk Christine Robbins read the following entitled **ORDINANCES** for **INTRODUCTION** at the **MONDAY**, **JUNE 22**, **2020** Regular Council Meeting:

O-6-2020-012

ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A CONSERVATION RESTRICTION
AGREEMENT FOR REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED
AS TAX BLOCK 18, LOT 17 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY,
LOCATED OFF PERRINEVILLE ROAD FOR OPEN SPACE. (Galaxy
Land Corp.) (Corresponding Resolution for County Grant No. R-6-2020-146)

ORDINANCE TO ACQUIRE, BY NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT, REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 36, LOT 32 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, LOCATED OFF ENGLISHTOWN ROAD FOR OPEN SPACE AND GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSES. (35 acres - \$300,000)

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 122 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC". (Adding No Stopping or Standing on Docks Corner Rd.)

Council President Cohen read the following entitled **BUDGET RESOLUTIONS** for **CONSIDERATION** at the **MONDAY**, **JUNE 22**, **2020** Regular Council Meeting:

R-6-2020-134

RESOLUTION PROVIDING THAT THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET BE READ BY TITLE AT THE TIME OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.

R-6-2020-135

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT

R-6-2020-135a

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.

Council President Cohen read the following entitled **RESOLUTIONS** for **CONSIDERATION** at the **MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2020** Regular Council Meeting (R-6-2020-136– R-6-2020-165):

R-6-2020-136

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE
GUARANTEES UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE
GUARANTEE POSTED FOR MONROE CHASE – BA-5041-11. (Halsey
Reed Rd/Applegarth Rd)

R-6-2020-137

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE
GUARANTEES UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE
GUARANTEE POSTED FOR MONROE MANOR – SECTION 4 - PB1036-07. (Butcher Rd)

R-6-2020-138

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE
GUARANTEES UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE
GUARANTEE POSTED FOR MONROE MANOR – SECTION 6 - PB1038-07. (Butcher Rd)

R-6-2020-139 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF SENIOR CENTER RENTAL FEE. (India US Forum of Monroe Township - \$350.00)

R-6-2020-140

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A COUNTY/MUNICIPAL
REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH MIDDLESEX COUNTY FOR
ECONOMIC DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE CORONAVIRUS. (CARES
Agreement)

R-6-2020-141

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO ARGO NORTH FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN AMPHIBIOUS VEHICLE FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

(\$29,000 – Clean Communities Grant – for stream clearing)

R-6-2020-142

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO APPROVE COVID 19 EXPANSION PERMITS FOR HOLDERS OF LIQUOR LICENSES AS PERMITTED BY THE SPECIAL RULING OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL. (Temporary Outdoor Permits)

R-6-2020-143	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH 2020 CAMELOT NEIGHBORHOOD ROADWAY AND CONCRETE IMPROVEMENTS. (Off Schoolhouse Road - \$120,000 - NJDOT Grant)
R-6-2020-144	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF APPOINTMENT OF MARK A. REMSA AS ACTING PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE. (6/1/20 – 12/31/20 not to exceed \$2,500 per month)
R-6-2020-145	RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-3-2020-090 "AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS". (Increase of \$30.00)
R-6-2020-146	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 18, LOT 17 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FROM GALAXY LAND CORP. FOR OPEN SPACE PURPOSES. (Perrineville Road - County Open Space Grant – Corresponding Ordinance No. O-6-2020-012)
R-6-2020-147	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN VASILIY SHAFAR AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES FROM THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT. (Matchaponix Ave. – Proposed Single Family Home)
R-6-2020-148	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL PAST DUE TAXES FOR TAX YEARS 2020 ASSESSED ON BLOCK 17, LOT 8 AND BLOCK 18, LOT 18. (County Open Space Acquisition - corner of Perrineville and Federal Roads)
R-6-2020-149	<b>RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS.</b> (various refunds totaling \$33,738.14)
R-6-2020-150	RESOLUTION CALLING FOR GOVERNOR MURPHY TO RESTORE CUTS TO THE HOMESTEAD REBATE / BENEFITS PROGRAM AND TO THE SENIOR PROPERTY TAX FREEZE PROGRAM.
R-6-2020-151	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS. (\$5,900)
R-6-2020-152	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE BOND UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE BOND POSTED FOR SPRINGPOINT SENIOR LIVING – BA-5087-14. (Half-Acre Rd.)
R-6-2020-153	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE HERITAGE CHASE NEIGHBORHOOD ROADWAY & PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. (NJDOT Local Aid Grant Application)
R-6-2020-154	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE N STATE HOME, LOWER MATCHAPONIX & SPOTSWOOD GRAVEL HILL ROADS ROADWAY & PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. (NJDOT Local Aid Grant Application)
R-6-2020-155	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO 3, 4 AND 5 SUBMITTED BY ARISTA, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH EMS BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. (Increase \$17,514.95)
R-6-2020-156	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE BID THRESHOLD FOR AWARDING CONTRACTS. (Increased to \$44,000)

(Increased to \$44,000)

R-6-2020-157 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER

NO. 1 AND FINAL SUBMITTED BY DIAMOND CONSTRUCTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2019 CONCRETE TOWNSHIP-WIDE

**IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.** (Increase of \$5,359.15)

R-6-2020-158 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE

GUARANTEES POSTED BY DIAMOND CONSTRUCTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2019 CONCRETE TOWNSHIP-WIDE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT UPON THE POSTING OF A

MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE.

R-6-2020-159 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT 481,

"WATER & WASTEWATER LABORATORY ANALYSIS SERVICES" WITH GARDEN STATE LABORATORIES INC. EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE TO FEBRUARY 14, 2021 FOR THE MONROE

TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").

(unit pricing – estimated \$80,000.00)

R-6-2020-160 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT 468

"WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS" LINE ITEMS "1.2.1", "1.2.2", and "1.3" WITH GEORGE S. COYNE CHEMICAL CO., INC. EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE TO JANUARY 18, 2021 FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (M.T.U.D.) (unit pricing – estimated

\$10,000.00)

R-6-2020-161 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO.

477 "SYSTEM REPAIR SERVICE" WITH B&W CONSTRUCTION CO. OF NJ, INC. EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE TO JUNE 6, 2021 FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.")

(unit pricing – estimated \$20,000.00)

R-6-2020-162 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO.

478 "WELL MAINTENANCE & REPAIR SERVICES" WITH A.C. SCHULTES, INC. EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE TO MAY 7, 2021 FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT

("M.T.U.D."). (unit pricing)

R-6-2020-163 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE

GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR MONROE 33 DEVELOPERS, LLC, W&S 1010.3 - PB #1188-16 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D"). (Butcher Rd.)

R-6-2020-164 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE

GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR W&S 968 – CORNELL DEVELOPERS - PB #1101-11 POSTED WITH THE MONROE

TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D"). (Ave. K)

R-6-2020-165 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE

GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR MONROE MANOR, INC. SEC. 4A W&S 416.7, MONROE MANOR, INC. SEC. 7 W&S 416.8, MONROE MANOR, INC. SEC. 4B & 6 W&S 416.9 - PB #1039-7 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") (Butcher

Rd)

Councilman Dipierro asked for Resolutions R-6-2020-136 through R-6-2020-138, R-6-2020-163 and R-6-2020-165 to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

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

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

<u>Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr.</u> – Mr. Parab asked in regards to R-6-2020-135 what the budget amendment was; Administrator Weinberg answered that this does not change the budget as the only difference is that we have an item in the budget through the CARES Act in the amount of \$1.9 million dollars. From a timing

perspective it makes sense for us to use surplus so we can move forward on the budget. The CARES Act schedule will come in three separate checks with the first check hopefully arriving within the next week.

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

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the Agenda Meeting was Adjourned at 6:40pm.

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 Dalina and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the Regular Meeting was Called to Order at 6:41pm.

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 Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Dalina, the **CLAIMS** per run date of **5/29/2020** were approved for payment as written and presented.

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

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Councilman Dalina, the **MINUTES** of the **May 4, 2020 Agenda/Regular Combined Meeting and the May 18, 2020 Special Meeting** were approved as written and presented.

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-5-2020-008 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION, BY DEDICATION, OF REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 17, LOT 3.40 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, LOCATED OFF ENGLAND ROAD AND BRENTWOOD PLACE NEAR CRANBURY BROOK FOR OPEN SPACE AND GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSES. (Hidden Pond)

(Corresponding Resolution for County Grant No. R-6-2020-146)

ORDINANCE as follows: (O-5-2020-008)

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to the Local Land and Building Law, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:12-1, et seq. the Township has the power to acquire real property; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:12-5, the Township has the power to acquire any real property for a public purpose through a negotiated agreement process; and

**WHEREAS,** the dedication of Block 17, Lot 3.40 was required as a condition of approval by the Planning Board of the Township of Monroe granted to Block 17 Associates under application PB-1132-13; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township desires to accept by Deed certain land known as and designated as Tax Block 17, Lot 3.40 on the Official Tax Map of the Township of Monroe located off England Road and Brentwood Place near Cranbury Brook (the "Property") for the purpose of open space and/or other governmental use pursuant to a deed of dedication.

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

- The acquisition by deed of dedication of the Property known as Block 17, Lot 3.40 located off England Road and Brentwood Place near Cranbury Brook (the "Property") for the purpose of open space and/or other governmental use in the Township of Monroe is hereby authorized and accepted.
- 2. The Township Attorney and Business Administrator are hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to acquire the Property through the deed of dedication.
- 3. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign and witness, respectively, any documents necessary to acquire the Property; and

**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.

SO ORDAINED, as aforesaid.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-5-2020-008** was **opened**. All were in favor, none opposed

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

No Public Comment.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-5-2020-008** was **closed**. All were in favor, none opposed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Baskin 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-5-2020-008 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION, BY DEDICATION, OF REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 17, LOT 3.40 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, LOCATED OFF ENGLAND ROAD AND BRENTWOOD PLACE NEAR CRANBURY BROOK FOR OPEN SPACE AND GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSES. (Hidden Pond)

(Corresponding Resolution for County Grant No. R-6-2020-146)

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin Aye

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed. O-5-2020-008

# O-5-2020-009 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 116 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "TOWING AND STORING OF VEHICLES".

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Chapter 116 of the Monroe Township Code entitled "Towing and Storing of Vehicles" be amended and supplemented as follows and shall become *effective on August 1, 2020*(new text is in red and <u>underlined</u>, text to be deleted is <u>struck</u>):

## **§ 116-1.** Purpose.

The purpose of this chapter is to provide criteria and standard operating procedures that are reasonably nonexclusionary and nondiscriminatory in the selection and use of towing operators, on a rotational basis, for providing towing, road services and the storage of vehicles, including but not limited to the towing of vehicles that are abandoned, disabled, illegally parked or stolen, involved in accidents and/or suspected or identified by the township as being involved in criminal activities.

## § 116-2. Definitions.

Absorbents – Any group of products used to soak up spills or vehicle fluids.

These would include oil dry, absorbent pads, socks, booms, etc.

<u>Administration Charges</u> – A one-time fee for services including but not limited to physical inspection, telephone, email and/or fax calls, copying of documentation and additional office paperwork beyond the initial towing bill.

After Hours Release – Releasing vehicles after normal business hours.

**CLEAN UP** - A chargeable line item for the clean up of vehicle fluid spills including antifreeze, oil, gasoline, diesel fuel, and transmission fluid of which the tow operator is required to apply an absorbent material to render the roadway safe. This charge is not applicable solely for the removal of vehicle debris such as plastics, glass, etc.

<u>Clean Up</u> – Removal and/or disposal of any debris left on roadway or property as result of a motor vehicle crash or recovery.

<u>Collision Wrap/Tarping</u> – Covering exposed areas from the weather elements or unauthorized access.

Extra Person/Laborer – Additional manpower needed to complete a recovery winching or towing of a vehicle, labor charged for additional manpower shall be based on a one (1) person per hour basis.

## Light Duty Tow Vehicle A tow vehicle outfitted with the following equipment:

- (1) Commercially manufactured chassis, rated capacity of not less than ten thousand (10,000) pounds GVWR, or equally rated by a certified rating company. [Amended 11-7-07 by Ord. No. O-11-2007-040]
- (2) Commercially manufactured lifting apparatus with a minimum capacity of four (4) tons, or equally rated by a certified rating company.
- (3) Dual rear wheels.
- (4) Universal tow sling or wheel lift with System 7 safety chains.
- (5) One (1) snatch block, three (3) ton rating.

<u>Vehicle Access Charge</u> - Owner and/or insurance representative must be accompanied into the secured storage yard facility to inspect, remove personal belongings, adjust and take photographs

# § 116-3. **Permit required.** (no changes)

#### § 116-4. Application for permit.

(B) On or before November 1 of each and every calendar in which any person engages or will engage in the activity of towing or storing motor vehicles within the township at the direction of the township, such person shall file an application and pay fee in the manner and amount set forth herein for a permit for the following calendar year.

Applications received after November 1 shall not be considered for the upcoming calendar year and shall be considered for the next year.

- <u>B</u> Each towing permit shall run for a term of (3) three years, commencing on January 1 and terminating on December 31 of the third year. Applications for permit and permit renewal are to be completed and returned to the Township by November 1 of the third permit year. Licenses and renewals filed after November 1 will not be accepted for the permit period. Should the total number of towers fall below seven, the Township, at its sole discretion, may accept applications after November 1, but in no case shall the number of towers exceed seven.
- <u>C</u> <u>Upon expiration or revocation thereof, the license shall be null and void.</u>

#### § 116-5. Application requirements.

 The applicant will provide proof of proper zoning and land use approval for base of service.

- I. Storage facilities must be in compliance with all applicable codes, municipal ordinances and be properly zoned for the use of towing and storage of vehicles
- J. Any person(s) responding to calls of service when requested by the Monroe Township Police are required to have a minimum training and certification for light and medium duty towing and recovery. The certification shall be from a nationally recognized organization. The applicant is required to provide proof for those certified and furnish a copy of the valid certification with the application.
- J. All towing operators and their drivers shall be fully trained, knowledgeable in the operation of all required equipment and necessary tools to perform all facets of the safe and efficient removal of all types of motor vehicles regardless of the physical condition of the vehicle.
- K. All wrecker operators and their agents and/or employees are required to wear reflectorized traffic safety vests when working at the scene.
- § 116-6. Application fee. (no changes)

#### § 116-7. Application review.

- A. The Township clerk shall forward all completed applications to the Chief of Police, who shall conduct or cause to be conducted such investigation as he deems necessary to determine the truth and accuracy of the information contained in the application and whether the applicant meets the following minimum standards:
  - (2) The applicant has the ability to respond to any request for assistance within thirty (30) minutes the allotted time allowed.

## § 116-8. Issuance of permit.

- A. Upon approval of the application by the Township Council, a permit, valid for a duration of one (1) calendar year (3) calendar years, shall be issued by the Township Clerk.
- B. Each permit shall be valid for a duration of one (1) calendar year three (3) calendar years and shall not be transferrable to any other person.
- C. The permit holder shall be solely responsible for the renewing the permit prior to the termination of the calendar year its termination in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.
- D. Within ten (10) days of the issuance of the permit, the Township Clerk shall send a copy of the permit to the Police Department. Within five (5) days of receipt of a copy of the permit, the permit holder shall be placed on the on-call tow list established in Section 116-11 of this chapter.
- E. At the time of the initial permit period a maximum number of seven (7) permits shall be issued. The permit holders who are currently on the list shall remain on said list at the time of implementation of this recently adopted ordinance so long as they adhere to all of the requirements of the towing ordinance in its entirety. If in the event there are more qualified towers than the seven permits to be issued, a review of the applications will be conducted by the Chief of Police and the Traffic Safety Division to determine the best qualified applicant to fill the remaining openings on the list for the permit period.

## § 116-9. Insurance. (no changes)

## § 116.10. Equipment specifications.

- A. The tow operator shall have specialized towing equipment in good repair which meets the following specifications:
- (9) At least one (1) conventional tow truck.

#### § 116-11. On-call tow list. (no changes)

#### § 116-12. Performance standards.

- A. Maintenance of place of business. Light and medium duty tow operators shall maintain a principal place of operation within the township as a property tax payer or holder of a valid lease. The existing operators who maintain a principal place of operation outside the township boundaries, at the time this section is enacted, shall have one (1) calendar year from the date of enactment to comply with this requirement. A heavy duty tow operator shall maintain a principal place of operation within fifteen (15) miles of the township boundaries. Tow operators shall comply fully with all of the zoning, land use and property maintenance codes of the township in which the tow operator's business is located.
  - (1) Each place of business will provide and maintain the following:
    - a. One (1) tow operator allowed per base of service or storage facility. Those existing operators who lease and share storage facilities with another tow operator, at the time this section is enacted, shall have one (1) calendar year from the date of enactment to comply with this requirement.
- (b) (a) A store front including signage displaying the business name, address and phone number.
- (e) (b) A person in the office to greet customers rendering service.
- (d) (c) A waiting area for patrons' use.
- (e) (d) A properly maintained and working restroom for patrons.
  - C. Response Time
    - (1) The tow operator must meet the following response times within the Township of Monroe:
      - (a) Days. Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., seven (7) days a week, the tow operator must respond to a call within twenty five (25) minutes.
      - (a) <u>Light Duty</u>
        - Days: Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., seven (7) days a week the tow operator must respond to a call within twenty-five (25) minutes.
           Nights: Between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 8:00
        - a.m. seven (7) days a week the tow operator must respond to a call within thirty-five (35) minutes.
- (b) Nights. Between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., seven (7) days a week, the tow operator must—respond to a call within thirty-five (35) minutes.
  - (b) Medium/Heavy Duty
- (1) Medium/Heavy duty tow operator must respond to a call within forty-five (45) minutes
- D. Registered towing personnel. The tow operator must register all personnel who are authorized by the tow operator to provide services on behalf of the tow operator. This registration must include for each person:
- (6) A valid certification from a nationally recognized organization indicating the qualification level.

E. Cleanup of Debris. The tow operator shall be responsible for the cleanup of debris, including glass, plastic, etc. and vehicle fluids including engine oil, anti-freeze, fuel, etc.

- E. Cleanup of Debris. Each towing operator, prior to the departure from the scene where it performed towing services, shall clean and clear the streets of any customary debris resulting from any accident at such scene and shall at all times carry the necessary equipment to perform such cleaning services to the satisfaction of the police officer on scene.
- F. Storage. Storage shall be provided for all vehicles towed until claimed by the owner or disposed of in accordance with applicable law. The tow operator shall provide adequate land areas sufficient to store a minimum of ten (10) vehicles. Those existing operators who lease storage facilities from another tow operator shall lease a land area sufficient to store a minimum of ten (10) additional vehicles in excess of the ten (10) spaces required for the towing operations of the leasing tow operator. The lease agreement shall not exceed the one (1) three (3) year period set forth in Section 116-12(A)(1) of this chapter. Each storage area must either be an indoor secured storage facility or an outdoor secured storage facility. The storage facility must be located within the township.
- I. Certification. Any new hires have a grace period of six (6) months from the date of hire to get certified with the minimum standards delineated in section 116-5J. The applicant is responsible to keep all employees updated and current on their certification, if certification lapses and becomes expired that person is suspended from performing his duties as an operator until made current. There is not a grace period for lapsed certification and lack of knowledge of the expiration of the certification shall not be an affirmative defense in any enforcement action to this section. There must be at least one (1) representative on scene that is qualified to perform the required duties. (i.e. for a medium duty recovery job, the applicant must have a representative who is certified in medium duty recovery to oversee the operation).

#### § 116-13. Standard Towing Rates/ Road Service Fee Schedule

#### A. Standard Towing.

(1) Standard Towing Rates (up to 6,000 8,000 lbs.) The maximum rates and charges that may be charged by the permit holder for basic towing services rendered to a motor vehicle under this chapter are as follows:

(a) Mon.-Fri. 6:00am-6:00pm: \$\frac{125.00}{150.00}\$

(b) Mon.-Fri. 6:00pm-5:59am: \$\frac{150.00}{175.00}\$

(c) Weekends and Holidays: \$\frac{150.00}{200} \frac{175.00}{200}\$

(d) Clean up Fee: \$50.00 \( \frac{\$75.00}{2} \) plus \$22.00

per bag of oil absorbent

(e) Wait Time: \$ 75.00 \( \frac{\$100.00}{} \) per hour

after 60 30 minutes

on scene

(f) Recovering/Winching: \$\frac{100.00}{25.00}\$ per hour

plus, tow fee

(g) Extra person: \$ 75.00\( \)\( \)\( \) per person

per hour

(4) The rates delineated in Section 116-13A(1) apply only to basic towing services. Recovery charges involving and serious motor vehicle accident charges will be based upon individual requirements for equipment, personnel and conditions encountered.

#### B. Standard Storage.

(1) Standard Storage (up to 6000 8,000 lbs.) - The maximum rates and charges that may be charged by the permit holder for basic towing services rendered to a motor vehicle under this chapter are as follows:

(a) Outdoor: \$40.00 \( \frac{\$50.00}{} \) per day

(c) Administration Fee \$35.00 \$50.00 (one time charge) (Accidents Only)

(d) Yard Fee: Vehicle Access Fee \$75.00 (Accidents only)

(e) Covering/tarping \$50.00\sum 90.00 (one-time charge)

(f) After Hours Release \$75.00

- (2) Storage fees are for each twenty-four (24) hour period or fraction thereof. The first day of storage commences twenty four (24) twelve (12) hours after the vehicle is towed to the storage facility
- (5) Prior to hook-up or flat bedding of a motor vehicle, the tow operator shall present a copy of its rate schedule business card to the owner or operator of the vehicle. The rate schedule shall also business card must contain the name, address and telephone number of the tow company operator and statement of the hours when the motor vehicle may be claimed
- C. Standard Service Calls.
  - (1) Standard Road Service The maximum rates and charges that may be charged by any permit holder for a service call are as follows:
    - (a) Monday Friday 6:00am 6:00pm \$ 85.00 plus cost of consumables
    - (b) Night/Weekend/Holidays \$100.00 plus cost of consumables
    - (a) Passenger cars, tire change, jump start \$125.00 per hour plus parts
    - (b) <u>Trucks (medium/heavy duty) \$175.00 per hour plus parts</u>
- § 116-14. Police impounds. (no changes)
- § 116-15. Unclaimed vehicles. (no changes)
- § 116-15.1. Junk Title Certificate. (no changes)
- § 116-15.2. Standard Title Certificate. (no changes)
- § 116-16. Arrangements by persons responsible for automobile. (no changes)
- § 116-17. Administration and enforcement. (no changes)
- § 116-18. Regulations and procedures. (no changes)
- § 116-19. Revocation and suspension of permit.
  - (C) Service calls [Added 11-7-07 by Ord No. O-11-2007-040]
  - (1) (a) Seventy-five dollars (\$75.) plus cost of consumables between 8:00a.m.and 6:00 p.m.
    - (b) Eighty-five dollars (\$85.) plus cost of consumables between 6:01 p.m. and 7:59 a.m.
    - (c) A charge of seventy-five dollars (\$75.) will be added to any service call which involves winching.

- § 116-20. Violations and penalties. (no changes)
- **§ 116-21. Appeals.** (no changes)
- § 116-22. Severability. (no changes)

### § 116-23. Heavy duty towing and heavy duty recovery.

In addition to Sections 116-1 through 116-22, the following shall apply to any Tow Operator providing heavy duty towing and/or heavy-duty recovery services in the township:

- A. Heavy duty recovery equipment. (no changes)
  - (4) One (1) three stage hydraulic crane with a minimum lifting capacity of forty-five(45) tons.
- B. Subcontractors. (no changes)
- C. Driver certification. A tow operator responding to a heavy duty tow must hold a current level 2 National Driver Certification. A tow operator responding to a heavy recovery must have a designated recovery supervisor who holds a current level 3 National Driver Certification.
- **D.C.** On-call list. (no changes)
- E.D. Heavy duty towing.
  - (1) Heavy Duty Towing Rates (6,001-8,001 lbs. and up)
    The maximum rates and charges that may be charged by the

permit holder for basic towing services rendered to a motor vehicle under this chapter are as follows:

(a) Medium Duty 6,001 8,001 – 18,000lbs: \$250.00 per hour

(b)  $\underline{\text{Heavy Duty}}$  18,001 – 26,00 $\underline{\text{+0}}$  lbs: \$350.00 per hour

(c)26,001 - 80,000 lbs and above: \$500.00 per hour

(d)<u>Tractor with</u> Landoll/Lowboy Trailer: \$350.00450.00 per hour Service:

(e)Rotator/Crane Service: \$875.001,200.00 per hour

(f)Clean up Fee:\$50.0075.00 plus 22.00 per bag of oil absorbent

(g)Wait Time: \$100.00 per hour after 60 30 minutes on scene

(h)Recovery/Winching <u>up to 18,000lbs</u>: \$450.00350.00per hour/per truck/plus tow fee

(i)Recovery/Winching over 18,001lbs: \$600.00 per hour/per truck/plus tow fee

 $\frac{(i)(j)}{(j)}$  Extra person: \$85.00\frac{100.00}{0} per person/per hour

(k) Tractor/Transport Hauler Only \$250.00 per hour

(1) Refrigerated Trailer w/ Tractor \$450.00 per hour

(m) Box Trailer w/ Tractor \$400.00 per hour

(n) Air Cushion Unit \$1,000.00 per hour

(o) Light Tower \$250.00 flat rate

(p) Pallet Jack \$200.00 flat rate

(q) Rollers \$200.00 flat rate

(r) Any Other Specialized Equipment \$250.00 per hour

(s) Loader/Backhoe/Bulldozer/

Telescopic Handler/Bobcat \$300.00 per hour each

(t) Forklift \$300.00 per hour

(u) Dump Truck/Dump Trailer w/ \$350.00 per hour

Tractor

(v) Roll Off w/ Container \$350.00 per hour plus

<u>disposal</u>

(w) Recovery Supervisor Vehicle \$150.00 per hour

(x) Recovery Support Vehicle/Trailer \$350.00 per hour

(y) Scene Safety Equipment, Communication Equipment, Traffic

Management Equipment, etc. \$250.00 per hour each type used

(z) Additional Recovery Equipment \$350.00 per hour

Recovery charges involving serious motor vehicle accidents and recoveries will be based upon Individual requirements for equipment, personnel and conditions encountered. After the first hour, all hourly billable rates will be charged in half hour increments. Charges for all trucks/recovery equipment are inclusive of the operator. You may not separately charge for an operator that drives/operates the truck/recovery equipment

In the event that it is necessary to unload a vehicle's cargo prior to or after towing, an agreement shall be reached between the contractor and the owner of the vehicle or the owner's agent or representative as to the charge for said service. No written agreement is necessary in an emergency situation. The Chief of Police or his designee shall determine when an emergency exists.

### **FE**. Heavy Duty Road Service.

Monday – Friday/Nights/Weekends/Holidays: \$125.00 175.00 per hour plus cost of consumables

Recovery charges involving serious motor vehicle accidents and recoveries will be based upon individual requirements for equipment, personnel and conditions encountered.

## (1) Mileage Rates.

Towing service outside the Township subject to a mutual agreement between the Tow Operator and the Owner/Operator of vehicle is covered in the per hour service charge.

### (2) Scene Supervisor.

\$150.00 200.00-per hour (only for Serious Accidents or Major Recoveries)

### GF. Heavy Duty Storage Fees (6,001 8,001 lbs and up):

The maximum rates and charges that may be charged by the permit holder for heavy duty towing services to a motor vehicle under this chapter are as follows:

<del>(a)</del>	<del>-6,001 -18,000 lbs:</del>	\$50.00 per day
<del>(b)</del>	18,001 26,001 lbs:	\$75.00 per day
(e)	<del>26,001 80,000 lbs</del> :	\$85.00 per day
<del>(d)</del>	Administrative Fee:	\$75.00(one-time charge)
<del>(e)</del>	<del>-Yard Fee:</del>	\$50.00(one-time charge)
<del>(f)</del>	Covering/Tarping:	\$50.00(one-time charge)

(a) Medium Duty 8,001 - 18,000 lbs \$90.00 per day

(b) <u>Heavy Duty 18,001 – 26,000 lbs</u> <u>\$100.00 per day</u>

(c)	<u>Heavy Duty 26,001 – 80,000 lbs</u>	\$125.00 per day
(d)	Roll-Off	\$125.00 per day each
(e)	Cargo/Accident/Load Storage/ Vehicle Components	\$45.00 per space used per day
(f)	Rental of any tow company supplied trailer post incident	\$500.00 per day
(g)	Administrative Fee (Medium/Heavy Duty)	<u>\$100.00</u>
(h)	Tarping/Covering	\$250.00 per truck
(i)	After Hours Release	\$75.00
(j)	Fuel/Hazmat/Cargo Spills/Trash Recovery	Surcharged 10%
<u>(k)</u>	Vehicle Access Charge	\$100.00

**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 twenty days after final passage, adoption and publication as provided by law.

**SO ORDAINED,** as aforesaid.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-5-2020-009** was **opened**. All were in favor, none opposed

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

No Public Comment.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-5-2020-009** was **closed**. All were in favor, none opposed.

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

O-5-2020-009 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 116 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "TOWING AND STORING OF VEHICLES".

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-5-2020-009

# O-5-2020-010 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES". (Towing, Construction and Utility Dept. Fees)

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Chapter 39 of the Code of the Township of Monroe is hereby amended as follows: (new text is in red and <u>underlined</u>, text to be deleted is <u>struck</u>)

#### **Chapter 39 FEES**

#### **SECTION 1.**

§ 39-1. Title.

§ 39-2. Purpose.

§ 39-3. Fees enumerated.

§ 39.4. Board of Education exemption.

#### 39-1. Title

This chapter shall be known as the "Codification of Fees and Costs of the Township of Monroe"

#### 39-2. Purpose

This chapter is adopted in order to advise the citizens of the township, and any and all persons doing business with the township, of the various fees charged for services rendered by the departments of township government and to provide ready access to any and all such information.

#### 39-3. Fees Enumerated

The following fees shall be charged by the township for services rendered or licenses or permits issued. All license fees shall be annual unless otherwise noted.

## B. Licenses and permits from Township Clerk's office.

[Amended 12-17-07 by Ord. No. O-12-2007-049; 12-1-08 by Ord. No. O-12-2008-031; 11-30-09 by Ord. No. 0-11-2009-036; 8-30-10 by Ord. No. 0-08-2010-019; 3-7-11 by Ord. No. O-3-2011-005; 12-28-12 by Ord. No. O-12-2012-039; 4-4-16 by Ord. No. O-2-2016-003]

(18) Chapter 116, Towing and Storing of Vehicles.

#### (a) Application fee.

#### [Amended 10-1-18 by Ord. No. O-9-2018-32]

[1] Each applicant for a permit must submit an application fee in the amount of \$200 with the application. The fee shall be applied to costs incurred by the Township in processing the application and for the inspecting of the tow vehicle(s) and equipment contained therein. Towing Application fee is \$200.00 per year for a Total fee of \$600.00 for a Three (3) Year Towing Permit. Permit fees include all applicable administrative costs and inspections.

### C. Construction fees. See fees on the following Schedules I through VII.

[Amended 5-4-09 by Ord. No. O-5-2009-018; 11-30-09 by Ord. No. O-2009-036; 3-7-11 by Ord. No. O-3-2011-005; 12-28-12 by Ord. No. O-12-2012-039; 11-4-15 by Ord. No. O-11-2015-020; 4-4-16 by Ord. No. O-2-2016-003; 7-2-2018 by Ord. No. O-6-2018-019]

	Administrative and Certificate Fee Schedule Schedule I			
Item		Cost		
J.	Annual permit	State Fee Schedule		
		Per N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.18 (A) (u)		

	Administrative and Certificate Fee Schedule Schedule I			
Item	Item Cost			
	Consistent with requirements 4.18(A)4	as set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:23-		
<u>O.</u>	Consistent with Requirements N.J.A.C. 5:23 – 4.18 (F) 3 N.J.A.C. 5:23 – 4.18 (F) 3i N.J.A.C. 5:23 – 4.18 (F) 4		Per N.J.A.C. 5:23 – 4.18 (F)	

	Duilding Cuboods Food						
	Building Subcode Fees Schedule II						
Sc	hedule #1 includes	Use Groups: R-2, 1					
		Use Groups: F-1, I					
		Use Groups: A-1,				M	
	etaining Walls:						
$U_1$	o to 4 feet: \$40						
$U_1$	to 8 feet: \$80						
Ra	aised patio (flat fee)	): \$40					
	Ty	pe of Work		Based On	Schedule #1	Schedule #2	Schedule #3
A.	New buildings or a	additions		Cubic volume	<del>\$0.042</del>	<del>\$0.041</del>	<del>\$0.042</del>
					<u>\$0.049</u>	<u>\$0.047</u>	<u>\$0.049</u>
В.	Alterations, Renov	vation or Repair wo	rk	Est. cost of work	<del>First</del>	First	<del>First</del>
	·	•		per \$1,000 or	<del>\$40,000 @</del>	\$40,000 @	\$ <del>40,000 @</del>
				portion thereof	<del>\$18                                    </del>	<del>\$22 <u>\$25</u></del>	<del>\$22 <u></u>\$25</del>
							Next
					. ,		<del>\$40,000 @</del>
						l '	<del>\$20</del>
						Balance @	
	\$13 \$18 \$18						
			Est. cost of work	<u> </u>	\$100 <u>\$25</u>	\$200- <u>\$25</u>	
		ms of commercia		_			
	external utility cor	nufactured construct	ion and	portion thereof			
D	Roofing or siding	meetions of sume.		Flat fee or est.	\$75	<del>\$17-</del> <b>\$1</b> 9	<del>\$17-</del> \$19
	Excluding Use Gre	oups R-3		cost of work per		ΨΙΥΨΙΣ	φ1, <u>φ1,</u>
	R-5 detached	oups it e		\$1,000 or portion			
	1-2 family dwellin	igs only		_	R-2, R-4, U		
		-8)			R-5		
					Attached		
G.	Pool			Flat Fee	\$125 <u>\$200</u>	\$350	\$350
J.	Other:						
	Agricultural buildings under N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.2(d). Fees to be computed in accordance with N.J.A.C 5:23-4.20I2i(1).				vith N.J.A.C.		
	Decks	Flat fee	\$100	<u>\$200</u>		\$150	\$150
K. Demolition Flat fee R-5: \$150-\$200 \$350		\$350	\$350				
	U: \$25						

	Electrical Subcode Fee Schedule Schedule III				
Item	Based On		Cost		
A.	<b>DEVICES</b> , Includes total of:				
	*DEVICES RATED LESS THAN 20 AMPERES				
	POOLS, In-ground pool permit with:				
	Underwater light(s)	Flat fee	\$125 \$200		
	Aboveground pool	Flat fee	\$75 \$100		

	Electrical Subcode Fee Schedule Schedule III			
Item	Based On		Cost	
E.	SERVICE PANELS & EQUIPMENT RATED IN AMPERES, includes, but not limited to:	Up to and including 400 amperes	\$136 \$180	
	Service panels Subpanels Meters Solar meters	Up to and including 800 amperes  Up to and including 1,200 amperes	\$327 \$435 \$498 \$662	
	Disconnects Car chargers Transfer switch  *Replacement of Service Entrance Conductors or Feeder Conductors Only	For each additional 400 amperes above 1,200 amperes	\$136 \$140	
F.	SOLAR INSTALLATIONS For each solar photovoltaic system, the fee shall be: Shall Include: All inverters Panels Microinverters Optimizers DC equipment	For the first 10kW	\$125 \$175	
H.	SIGNS			
	Each hard-wired sign	Flat fee	\$50 \$60	

	Fire Protection Subcode Fee Schedule Schedule V			
Ite		Based On	Cost	
A.	TANKS (installation or removal)			
	Residential, R-5	Each	<del>\$75</del>	
			<u>\$100</u>	
	All others, <del>up to</del> 999 gallons <u>up to 2,500 gallons</u>	Each	<del>\$150</del>	
			<u>\$300</u>	
	All others, <del>1,000 gallons and</del> over <u>2,500 gallons</u>	Each	<del>\$300</del>	
			<u>\$500</u>	
B.	ALARMS, SIGNAL & SUPERVISORY DEVICES			
	<u>Fire Alarm Panel</u>	<u>Each</u>	<u>\$150</u>	
C.	SUPPRESSION SYSTEM DEVICES			
	Any partial system component	Each	<del>\$75</del> _ <u>\$100</u>	
	Fire pump	Each	\$250- <mark>\$300</mark>	
D.	SPRINKLER HEADS (wet & dry)	<del>1-19</del> <u>1-100</u>	<del>\$75</del> <u>\$200</u>	
	` *	<del>20-75</del> <u>101-500</u>	\$200- <mark>\$700</mark>	
		<del>76-199</del> <u>501-999</u>	\$375 <u>\$1,500</u>	
		200-499 <u>1000 and over</u>	\$700 <u>\$2,000</u>	
		<del>500-999</del>	<del>\$1,200</del>	
		1,000 and over	<del>\$1,500</del>	
	PRE-ENGINEERED SYSTEMS			
	Wet chemical	Each	\$175_ <u>\$250</u>	
F.	Dry chemical	Each	<del>\$175</del> <u>\$250</u>	
	CO <sub>2</sub> suppression	Each	<del>\$175 <u>\$250</u></del>	
	Foam suppression	Each	<del>\$175 <u>\$250</u></del>	
	Halon suppression	Each	\$175_ <u>\$250</u>	
	Smoke control systems	Each	\$350 <u>\$250</u>	
	Kitchen hood exhaust systems	Each	\$175 <u>\$250</u>	
	Smoke Control System	Each	<u>\$400</u>	
	Appliances, other:	Each	\$100- <u>\$150</u>	
	Wood-burning fireplaces or stoves or Pellet Burning	<u>,                                    </u>		
	<u>Fireplaces</u>			

Fire Protection Subcode Fee Schedule				
	Schedule V			
Item	Item Based On Cost			
Chi	mney liner	Each	<del>\$100-</del> <u>\$125</u>	

Plumbing Subcode Fee Schedule					
	Schedule VI				
Fixture/Equipment	Based On	Cost			
Water closet	Each	<del>\$20</del> - <u><b>\$25</b></u>			
Urinal/bidet	Each	<del>\$20</del> <u><b>\$25</b></u>			
Bathtub	Each	<del>\$20</del> <u><b>\$25</b></u>			
Lavatory	Each	<del>\$20</del> <u><b>\$25</b></u>			
Shower	Each	<del>\$20</del> - <u><b>\$25</b></u>			
Floor drain	Each	\$20_ <mark>\$25</mark>			
Sink	Each	<del>\$20</del> <u>\$25</u>			
Dishwasher	Each	<del>\$20</del> - <u>\$25</u>			
Each appliance connected to gas piping or oil piping	Each	\$ <del>20</del> - <u>\$30</u>			
Washing machine	Each	<del>\$20</del> _ <u>\$25</u>			
Hose bibb	Each	\$20 <u>\$25</u>			
Water heater	Each	<del>\$20                                    </del>			
Fuel oil piping	Flat fee	\$25— <u>\$50</u>			
Sewer connection	Each	\$100- <u>\$150</u>			
Water service connection	Each	\$100- <u>\$150</u>			
Other:					
Pool suction drains	Flat fee	<del>\$35</del> <u>\$65</u>			

J. Monroe Township Utility Department fees and charges.

[Added 11-30-09 by Ord. No. O-11-2009-036; amended 3-7-11 by Ord. No. O-3-2011-005; 3-5-12 by Ord. No. O-12-2012-039; 3-4-13 by Ord. No. O-3-2013-002; 5-5-14 by Ord. No. O-5-2014-007; 6-2-15 by Ord. No. O-6-2015-009; 7-6-16 by Ord. No. O-6-2016-017; 7-2-18 by Ord. No. O-6-2018-019 by Ord. No. O-9-2018-032; 6-5-2019 by Ord. No. O-5-2019-016]

Section B. Annual Sewer Service Charges.

- **4.** All residential (as defined in Section A(1) above) other than residential:
  - (b) For those residential users whose quarterly sewage flow exceeds 26,000\* gallons based on metered water consumption or actual sewage flow, the rate shall be as follows:

Quarterly usage (# of Gallons)		
From	То	Rates
0	26,000 gallons per quarter	\$64.75 per quarter
26,000 gallons per quarter	And over	\$64.75 \$69.75 plus \$1 per 1,000 gallons

Section D. Sewer Connection Fees and Charges.

2. The connection fee for each unit shall be \$3,235.00 \$3,347.00. Connection fees for single family homes not part of a real estate development are payable at the option of the applicant in two installments with the initial installment paid prior to the time of the connection and the second payment due within one year. Interest shall accrue and be due to the Utility Department at 1% per month on the unpaid balance. In the case where the system is under construction but not yet available for connection, connection fees can be paid at the option of the applicant in two (2) installments without interest.

# Section E. Filing, Review And Inspection Fees.

1. Where mains are to be constructed by anyone other than the Utility Department, the applicant shall make application and pay fees for the time of Utility Department personnel on an hourly basis to draw down against the deposit as listed below:

<u>a) Application for connection to Utility Department:</u>
Sewer system (up to 2 units) \$2,500.00

ab) Application for Review of Preliminary Plans:

Minor subdivision fee \$600 \$4,000.00

Major subdivision or major site plan \$1,000 - \$2,000.00 - minimum or \$25 - \$100.00 per unit,

deposit whichever is greater

**bc**) Application for Tentative Approval:

Review fee - deposit  $\frac{1-1/2\%}{5\%}$  of estimated construction cost or  $\frac{$600}{}$ 

\$1,000.00 minimum

ed) Application for Final Approval:

Review fee - deposit  $\frac{1.1/2\%}{5\%}$  of estimated construction cost

de) Inspection fee - deposit 5% 10% of estimated construction cost, with a \$600

\$1,000.00 minimum

ef) Application for extensions of approval must be accompanied by a review fee deposit of \$600. Application for revisions after submittal and initial review must be accompanied by a review fee deposit of \$1,000.

- **fg**) Request for USEPA grant waiver or mapping revision must be made by the owner of the property. A \$600 processing fee made payable to MTUD must accompany the request.
- gh) An administrative fee shall be applied directly to sanitary sewer reimbursement calculation update requests by or for developers and shall include administrative, accounting and engineering time. Fees shall be a minimum of \$450 per calculation (up to 5 connecting developments), \$750 per calculation (6 to 10 connecting developments), \$1,250 per calculation (11 to 20 connecting developments), and \$2,000 (over 20 connecting developments). Fees will be deducted from the appropriate reimbursement amounts.

#### Pbrt I. Water Service

**Section C.** Rates for Potable Water Consumed. In addition to the fixed service charge set forth above, a charge will be made for all water used as registered by the meter.

Gallons per Quarter	Rate per 1,000 Gallons
For all over 40,000	\$3.59 <u>\$4.00</u>

## Section I. Miscellaneous.

1. Turn on and turn off fees and final meter readings.

A charge of \$75 shall be made for each turn-off or turn-on during regular working hours. Any turn-on or turn-of required outside regular working hours shall be charged at \$102.50 each unless both turn-on and turn-off are scheduled two days in advance and no more than one hour apart. A minimum notice of seven days for each turn-off and/or turn-on must be given to the Utility Department. A penalty of \$50.00 shall be assessed for each scheduled turn-on or turn-off that is cancelled upon arrival of the Utility Department personnel. Under no circumstances shall any person not authorized by the Utility Department open or close the curb stops or valves in any Utility Department water line.

#### 2. Water Meters.

The Utility Department reserves the right to install temporary meters during construction of any residential or commercial structure. The fee for installation of temporary meters shall be \$275. Spreader pipes shall not be used and/or installed.

Water meters and remote reading units for all new residential and commercial construction shall be purchased from the Utility Department with 10 days' advance notice. The cost of meters and remote reading units shall be at cost plus an 10% administrative fee of \$50.00 each. The cost of remote reading units shall be at cost plus an administrative fee of \$32.00 each.

### **Section K**. Potable Water Connection Fees and Charges.

1. The initial fees for the right to connect directly or indirectly to the Utility Department's water system shall include a connection charge or fee as well as fees for application review and inspection of work to be accomplished by the applicant in keeping with the requirements of the Utility Department's Rules and Regulations. These connection fees, which are one-time initial service charges for the right to connect to the Utility Department's water system, are calculated in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 31-11 and are an integral part of this Rate Schedule.

2. The potable water connection fee for each equivalent unit shall be \$3,282.00 \$3,271.00 and the irrigation connection fee using potable water with a separate meter shall be \$1,000.00 per equivalent unit. Connection fees for single family homes not part of a real estate development are payable at the option of the applicant in two (2) installments with the initial installation paid prior to the time of the connection and the second payment due within one year. Interest shall accrue and be due to the Utility Department at 1% per month on the unpaid balance. In case the system is under construction but not yet available for connection, connection fees can be paid at the option of the applicant in two (2) installments without interest. In the case of real estate developers, the connection fees for the development shall be payable at the time of final approval.

Section L. Filing, Review, and Inspection Fees.

Where mains are to be constructed by anyone other than the Utility Department, the applicant shall make application and pay fees for the time of Utility Department personnel on an hourly basis down against the deposit as listed below:

a) Application for connection to Utility Department:
Water system (up to 2 units) \$2,500.00

ab) Application for Review of Preliminary

Plans:

Minor subdivision fee: \$600 \$4,000.00

Major subdivision or major site plan-\$1,000 \$2,000.00 minimum or \$25 \$100.00 per unit,

deposit whichever is greater

**bc**) Application for Tentative Approval:

Review Fee - deposit  $\frac{1.1/2\%}{5\%}$  of estimated construction cost or  $\frac{$600}{1,000.00}$ 

minimum

ed) Application for Final Approval:

Review Fee - deposit  $\frac{1 - 1/2\%}{5\%}$  of estimated construction cost Inspection fee - deposit  $\frac{5\%}{10\%}$  of estimated construction cost

(\$600 <u>\$1,000.00</u> minimum)

de) An administrative fee shall be applied directly to water reimbursement calculation update requests by or for developers and shall include administrative, accounting and engineering time. Fees shall be a minimum of \$450 per calculation (up to 5 connecting developments), \$750 per calculation (6 to 10 connecting developments), \$1,250 per calculation (11 to 20 connecting developments) and \$2,000 (over 20 connecting developments). Fees will be deducted from the appropriate reimbursement amounts.

**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 twenty days after final passage, adoption 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-5-2020-010** 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-5-2020-010** was **closed**. All were in favor, none opposed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Baskin 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-5-2020-010 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES**". (Towing, Construction and Utility Dept. Fees)

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-5-2020-010

# O-5-2020-011 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK.

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Cap Law, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:4-45.1 <u>et seq.</u>, provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to **3.5%** over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, finds its advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2020 Budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council hereby determines that a 1.0% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$421,177.38 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinbelow that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, as follows:

- **SECTION 1.** In the **CY 2020** budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Monroe shall, in accordance with this ordinance and <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to **\$1,474,120.83**, and that the **CY 2020** municipal budget for the Township of Monroe be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and
- **SECTION 2**. Any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and
- **SECTION 3**. A certified copy of this ordinance, as introduced, be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within five days of introduction; and
- **SECTION 4**. A certified copy of this ordinance, upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.
- **SECTION 5**. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be the same and are hereby repealed.
- **SECTION 6**. 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 7**. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

SO ORDAINED, as aforesaid.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

<u>Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr.</u> – Mr. Parab asked for an explanation as to what it means to exceed the appropriation limits; Administrator Weinberg answered that this falls under the 1977 Appropriations Act and further explained.

<u>Michele Arminio, 9 Nathaniel St.</u> – Mrs. Arminio asked what the limit is; CFO George Lang answered that every town has an appropriation cap which starts at 2.5% and we are using an additional 1% which is what the purpose of this Ordinance is. The 2.5% equates to \$1,052,000 and the 1% is \$420,000. Mrs. Arminio asked what the appropriations cap is used for to which Township Attorney Rainone answered further.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-5-2020-011** 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-5-2020-011 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

Aye

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

Council President Stephen Dalina

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed. O-5-2020-011

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Baskin, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for Final Passage:

O-6-2020-012 ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A CONSERVATION RESTRICTION AGREEMENT FOR REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 18, LOT 17 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, LOCATED OFF PERRINEVILLE ROAD FOR OPEN SPACE. (Galaxy Land Corp.) (Corresponding Resolution No. R-6-2020-146)

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 Ordinance Duly Filed. O-6-2020-012

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for Final Passage: O-6-2020-013 ORDINANCE TO ACQUIRE, BY NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT, REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS TAX BLOCK 36, LOT 32 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, LOCATED OFF ENGLISHTOWN ROAD FOR OPEN SPACE AND GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSES. (35 acres - \$300,000)

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed. O-6-2020-013

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for Final Passage:

# O-6-2020-014 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 122 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC".

(Adding No Stopping or Standing on Docks Corner Rd.)

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 Ordinance Duly Filed. O-6-2020-014

#### 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, a Resolution providing that the 2020 Municipal Budget be read by title at the time of the public hearing was approved.

# R-6-2020-134 RESOLUTION PROVIDING THAT THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET BE READ BY TITLE AT THE TIME OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.

**WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8 provides that the budget be read by "Title Only" at the time of the Public Hearing if a Resolution is passed by not less than a majority of the full governing body, providing that at least one (1) week prior to the date of Hearing, a complete copy of the approved budget, as advertised, has been posted in the Municipal Building and copies have been made available by the Township Clerk to persons requesting them; and

**WHEREAS**, these two conditions have been met;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the 2019 Municipal Budget shall be read by "Title Only" at the Public Hearing scheduled for **June 22, 2020**.

# **SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

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 Resolution Duly Filed.

Administrator Weinberg explained that the amendment does not change the tax levy it simply allows us to anticipate the \$1.9 million in CARES ACT money, as the timing of receiving that money will come in three separate checks with the first being received next week. In order to move the budget forward, it is more prudent to use surplus so we can adopt the budget and then back that out as a Chapter 159 as it comes in. CFO George Lang added that at the end of the year we would do a resolution to cancel the appropriations essentially evening us out.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the Public Hearing was **opened** on the 2020 Municipal Budget.

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

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Hy Grossman, 15 Doral Dr. – Mr. Grossman made a few statements regarding the budget and commented that he has noticed that the budgets for Cultural Arts and Park & Recreation were down but the salaries remained the same, he asked why that is the case. Administrator Weinberg paraphrased Mr. Grossman's comments regarding the budgets for Cultural Arts and Parks & Recreation adding that we have done a hiring freeze and have laid off 20 part time employees. He added that the crossing guards have also been furloughed, as well as, approximately 50 other employees between the Township, Library, Senior Center and Recreation Center along with other additional cuts.

Mr. Grossman asked if we have continued to pay the school taxes on time to which Administrator Weinberg answered that we have paid the taxes on time adding that our collection rate is currently at 96.7% and our budget requires 98%.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the Public Hearing on the 2020 Municipal Budget was **closed**.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Baskin and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, a Resolution authorizing a budget amendment was approved.

R-6-2020-135 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT

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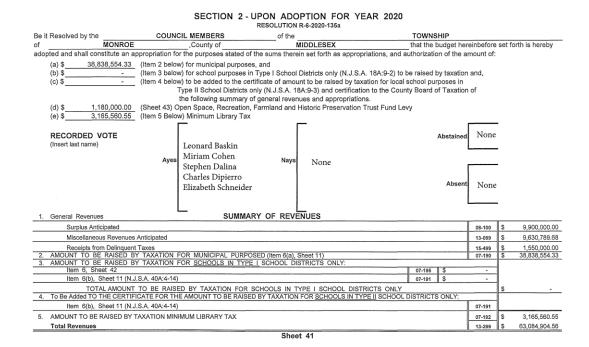
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ROLL CALL:	Councilman Leonard Baskin	Aye
	Councilman Stephen Dalina	Aye
	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Council Vice-President Elizabeth Schneider	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

Copy of Resolution Duly Filed.

UPON MOTION made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, a Resolution adopting the 2020 Municipal Budget was approved.

#### R-6-2020-135a RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.



#### SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

5. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS:	xxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx				
Within "CAPS"	xxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx				
(a & b) Operations Including Contingent	34-201	\$ 38,507,936.63				
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal	34-209	\$ 5,875,870.00				
(g) Cash Deficit	46-885	\$ -				
Excluded from "CAPS"	xxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxx				
(a) Operations - Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	34-305	\$ 7,206,198.68				
(c Capital Improvements	44-999	\$ 165,000.00				
(d) Municipal Debt Service	45-999	\$ 7,241,426.00				
(e) Deferred Charges - Municipal	46-999	\$ 38,473.25				
(f) Judgments	37-480	\$ -				
(n) Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools (N.J.S.A. 40:48-17.1 & 17.3)	29-405	\$ -				
(g) Cash Deficit	46-885	\$ -				
(k) For Local District School Purposes	29-410	\$ -				
(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	50-899	\$ 4,050,000.00				
6. SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS - TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICT ONLY (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-13)	07-195					
Total Appropriations	34-499	\$ 63,084,904.56				
It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Governing Body on the     June   ,2020. It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as    appeared in the 2020 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.    Certified by me this   22nd   day of   June   , 2020,   Christian Robert   , RNC - Dopty Clerk						

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

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider the following Resolutions were moved for Adoption under the **CONSENT AGENDA:** (R-6-2020-136 – R-6-2020-165 with the exception of Resolutions R-6-2020-136 through 138, R-6-2020-163 and R-6-2020-165 which will be voted on separately)

## R-6-2020-139 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF SENIOR CENTER RENTAL FEE. (India US Forum of Monroe Township - \$350.00)

**WHEREAS**, the Special Event Coordinator, by copy of a letters dated March 10, 2020 and March 16, 2020, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "A", has recommended the Council approve the following Senior Center rental fee refunds:

Refund to: Reason Amount

India US Forum of Monroe Township

c/o Hemant Patel

15 Eldorado Way Event Cancelled due to

\$350.00

Monroe Twp., NJ 08831

**WHEREAS,** Council has reviewed the recommendation of the Special Event Coordinator and finds the request for the above refund to be reasonable;

COVID-19

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the request is hereby authorized and that a refund be made to **India US Forum of Monroe Township in the amount of \$350.00**.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

# R-6-2020-140 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A COUNTY/MUNICIPAL REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH MIDDLESEX COUNTY FOR ECONOMIC DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE CORONAVIRUS. (CARES Agreement)

**WHEREAS,** the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, the County of Middlesex and the Municipality have become victims of the COVID-19 Virus and Pandemic (the "Coronavirus"); and

**WHEREAS,** the Coronavirus has caused economic damage and hardships to states, counties and municipalities throughout the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS,** on March 27, 2020 the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act (the "CARES Act") was signed by President Donald J. Trump; and

**WHEREAS,** the CARES Act was enacted, among other purposes, in order to combat the economic damage caused to states, counties and municipalities because of the Coronavirus; and

**WHEREAS,** Middlesex County has received CARES Act funds in the amount of \$143,966,956.60 from the United States Treasury (the "Stimulus Funds") to be used to reimburse the County, in addition to municipalities and agencies within the County that make application for reimbursement for economic damages caused by the Coronavirus; and

**WHEREAS,** in May of 2020 Middlesex County provided the proposed Agreement attached hereto; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township desires to make application to the County for the reimbursement of economic damages caused by the Coronavirus in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement attached hereto; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township of Monroe understands and agrees that its eligibility for the receipt of any Stimulus Funds shall be determined by the County in accordance with the terms and conditions of the "Coronavirus Relief Fund - Guidance for State, Territorial, Local and Tribal Governments issued April 22, 2020" (the Guidelines), and any subsequent amendments and/or changes to the Guidelines.

**WHEREAS,** in consideration of the mutual and joint obligations set forth herein and other valuable considerations, Middlesex County and Township of Monroe do hereby mutually agree to the Agreement attached hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe does hereby authorize the Mayor to execute and the Township Clerk to witness an Agreement with Middlesex County for the reimbursement of economic damages caused by the Coronavirus in accordance with the terms and conditions of the County/Municipal Reimbursement Agreement.

R-6-2020-141 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO ARGO NORTH FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN AMPHIBIOUS VEHICLE FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. (\$29,000 – Clean Communities Grant – for stream clearing)

**WHEREAS**, in September, 2019, the Monroe Township Department of Public Works solicited proposals for an amphibious vehicle for the Department of Public Works to be used for a stream clearing project and storm water maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, the three (3) competitive quotes received are as herein below set forth:

**Argo North** – Califon, NJ - \$29,000.00

**Jersey Powersports** – Lambertville, NJ - \$30,605.30

Cheney's Argo – Barnegat, NJ - \$29,294.00

WHEREAS, the Township QPA has reviewed the three (3) proposals received; and

**WHEREAS**, the recycling coordinator, by copy of letter dated May 28, 2020, recommends the award of contract to *Argo North*, 363 County Road 513 Califon, N.J. 07830 in the amount of \$29,000.00; 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 *Argo North* for an amphibious vehicle for the Department of Public Works at a total contract price of \$29,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as evidenced by Certificate No. <u>C-2000039</u>, 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 *Argo North*. in accordance with the contract entered into between the parties; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract is awarded with the stipulation that *Argo North* 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-6-2020-142 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO APPROVE COVID 19 EXPANSION PERMITS FOR HOLDERS OF LIQUOR LICENSES AS PERMITTED BY THE SPECIAL RULING OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL. (Temporary Outdoor Permits)

**WHEREAS**, on June 3, 2020, Governor Phil Murphy issued Executive Order No. 150 (2020) to permit the reopening of restaurants and other establishments to outside dining and service; and,

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the Executive Order 150, on June 3, 2020 the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control issued a Special Ruling Establishing Temporary COVID 19 permits to expand licensed premises (SR 2020-10); and,

**WHEREAS,** in order to aide in the economic recovery during the public health emergency declared by the State of New Jersey and the Township, the Township has put in place a process for the issuance of permits for outside dining and retail business; and,

**WHEREAS**, as part of the Township permitting process the Township Council, acting as the Township's ABC Board, deems it in the best interest of the Township's and its business community to provide an expedited process for the endorsement of applications for COVID 19 Expansion Permits approved by the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe that the Township Clerk and the Chief of Police are hereby authorized to endorse and approve on behalf of the Township applications for COVID- 19 Expansions Permits approved by the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverages.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that notice of all and approvals received for COVID 19 Expansion Permits shall be posted on the Township website.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-143 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CENTER STATE ENGINEERING FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH 2020 CAMELOT NEIGHBORHOOD ROADWAY AND CONCRETE IMPROVEMENTS. (Off Schoolhouse Road - \$120,000 - NJDOT Grant)

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe seeks professional engineering, surveying and planning services in connection with the 2020 Camelot Neighborhood Roadway and Concrete Improvements; and

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

WHEREAS, the fees for such services will not exceed one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for such an engagement in Certificate No. <u>C-2000040</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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

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

- (1) The Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached contract with *Center State Engineering*, 481 Spotswood-Englishtown Road, Monroe Township, NJ 08831, in accordance with the Agreement annexed hereto;
- (2) The Department of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to pay Invoices for services rendered by Center State Engineering for the professional engineering, surveying and planning services in connection with 2020 Camelot Neighborhood Roadway and Concrete Improvements in an amount not to exceed one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000.00);
- (3) The Contract is awarded with the stipulation that *Center State Engineering* shall include within the Contract Mandatory Affirmative Action language and shall submit to the Township of Monroe any appropriate Affirmative Action document within the time period prescribed by law;
- (4) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

# R-6-2020-144 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF APPOINTMENT OF MARK A. REMSA AS ACTING PLANNING ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE. (6/1/20 – 12/31/20 not to exceed \$2,500 per month)

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Gerald W. Tamburro, Mayor of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-63, appointed Mark A. Remsa as Acting Planning Administrator on a month-to-month basis not to exceed six (6) months, unless otherwise extended by the Township of Monroe which was authorized by Resolution No. R-12-2019-352 at the December 23, 2019 council meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor wishes to extend the appointment of Mark A. Remsa as Acting Planning Administrator for an additional six (6) months, not to exceed \$2500.00 per month; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 5:30-5.4, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No. <u>C-1900091</u>, a copy of which is attached hereto; and

**WHEREAS**, the appointment as Acting Planning Administrator shall be effective June 1, 2020 and shall run until December 31, 2020, or until the appointment and qualification of a permanent Planning Administrator; and

**WHEREAS**, the Acting Planning Administrator shall serve pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the Contract annexed hereto as **Exhibit 1**, which shall be subject to the review and comment of the Township Attorney; 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 extend the professional service contract with Mark A. Remsa as Acting Planning Administrator, not to exceed six (6) months in accordance with the Contract attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** effective as of June 1, 2020 nunc pro tunc.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

## R-6-2020-145 RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-3-2020-090 "AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS". (Increase of \$30.00)

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. R-3-2020-090 adopted by the Monroe Township Council at the March 2, 2020 regular meeting authorized the Tax Collector for the Township of Monroe to make refunds for tax overpayments in the amount of Five hundred sixty one thousand eight hundred sixty three dollars and forty nine cents (\$561,863.49) for the amounts described on Schedule A and attached hereto;

**WHEREAS,** the Tax Collector advised that some of the amounts were miscalculated and the authorized refund amount listed above must be increased by thirty dollars (\$30.00); and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. R-3-2020-090 must be amended to authorize the Tax Collector of the Township of Monroe to make refunds for tax overpayments in the amount of Five hundred sixty one thousand eight hundred ninety three dollars and forty nine cents (\$561,893.49)

**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 Resolution No. R-3-2020-090 is hereby amended to authorize the Tax Collector of the Township of Monroe to make refunds for tax overpayments in the amount of Five hundred sixty one thousand eight hundred ninety three dollars and forty nine cents (\$561,893.49) as reflected in the attached Schedule A.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-146 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 18, LOT 17 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FROM GALAXY LAND CORP. FOR OPEN SPACE PURPOSES.

(Perrineville Road - County Open Space Grant – Corresponding Ordinance No. O-6-2020-012)

**WHEREAS,** the Township of Monroe has entered into a Purchase Agreement to acquire the property known as Block 18 Lot 17 on the official tax map of the Township of Monroe located off of Perrineville Road (the "Property") from Galaxy Land Corp. consisting of approximately 75.80 acres for a consideration of THREE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$395,000.00) for open space purposes; and

**WHEREAS,** the County of Middlesex has agreed that it will provide a grant (the "Grant") to the Township of Monroe in the amount of THREE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$395,000.00) to assist the Township of Monroe in acquiring the Galaxy Land Property for open space purposes; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of accepting the Middlesex County Grant for the open space acquisition of the Property the Township of Monroe must apply for, accept and enter in to a Grant Agreement with Middlesex County in substantially similar form to the Grant Agreement attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Council of the Township of Monroe finds that is in the best interests of the Township, its residents, the residents of the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey to accept the Grant from Middlesex County and enter in to the Grant Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** on this 22nd day of June, 2020, that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe does hereby authorize application and acceptance of the grant from Middlesex County for the acquisition of the Galaxy Land Corp. Property known as Block 18 Lot 17 of the official tax map of the Township of Monroe located on Perrineville Road for open space purposes and authorizes the Mayor to execute and the Township Clerk to witness the Grant Agreement with Middlesex County in substantially similar form to the one attached hereto and made a part hereof

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid

R-6-2020-147 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN VASILIY SHAFAR AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES FROM THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT. (Matchaponix Ave. – Proposed Single Family Home)

**WHEREAS**, Vasiliy Shafar (the "Developer") is the developer of certain real property known as Block 148, Lot 32.02 in the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as the "Property"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Developer proposes to develop certain residential development consisting of two lots: (1) a 30,284 square foot lot for an existing dwelling and (2) a 99,350 square foot lot for a new dwelling, with associated sanitary sewer and water infrastructure on the Property as outlined in the Monroe Township Planning Board Resolution No: PB#1198-17 granting Minor Subdivision Approval with Bulk Variance adopted June 28, 2018 and memorialized on July 26, 2018 (hereinafter the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Developer has requested water and sewer service for the Project from the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.").; and

**WHEREAS**, after analysis and review, M.T.U.D. has determined it is in its best interest to enter into a Developer's Agreement in a form substantially similar to the form attached hereto in order to provide the Project with water and sewer service; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has reviewed the attached agreements; and

**WHEREAS**, execution of the attached agreements in forms substantially similar to the forms attached hereto is in the best interests of the Township of Monroe; 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 be and are hereby authorized to execute the Developer's Agreement with Vasiliy Shafar, for the purpose of providing water and sewer services to the Project, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-148 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL PAST DUE TAXES FOR TAX YEARS 2020 ASSESSED ON BLOCK 17, LOT 8 AND BLOCK 18, LOT 18. (County Open Space Acquisition - corner of Perrineville and Federal Roads)

**WHEREAS**, the County of Middlesex became the record owner of certain parcels of property located in the Township of Monroe designated as Block 17 Lot 8 and Block 18 Lot 18 on the Tax Map of the Township of Monroe (the "Properties"); and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 19-627-R adopted by the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders at the May 16, 2019 meeting provided for the acceptance of the land in connection with the County's open space program by The Estate of Otto Pohl, and the Deed was filed in the Middlesex County Clerk's Office on September 11, 2019; and

WHEREAS, as a county owned open space property, the Properties are exempt from local taxation; and

**WHEREAS**, taxes were erroneously posted to the Properties for Tax Years 2020 as follows:

Block 17	Lot 8	Block 18	<b>Lot 18</b>
2020	\$4,838.78	2020	\$3,231.92
Total	\$4,838.78	Total	\$3,231.92

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel all accumulated taxes as shown above on Block 17 Lot 8 and Block 18 Lot 18 on the Tax Map of the Township of Monroe; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Tax Assessor shall mark the Property exempt from taxation beginning January 1, 2020 nunc pro tunc.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

#### R-6-2020-149 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS.

(various refunds totaling \$33,738.14)

**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 thirty-three thousand seven hundred thirty eight dollars and fourteen cents (\$33,738.14) 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-6-2020-150 RESOLUTION CALLING FOR GOVERNOR MURPHY TO RESTORE CUTS TO THE HOMESTEAD REBATE / BENEFITS PROGRAM AND TO THE SENIOR PROPERTY TAX FREEZE PROGRAM.

**WHEREAS**, in 1976, the Legislature enacted the Homestead Rebate Program to provide relief to citizens of New Jersey least able to afford our highest-in-the-nation property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, for several decades, the New Jersey Property Tax Reimbursement Program, or "Senior Freeze Program" has provided for reimbursement checks to effectively "freeze" property tax rates for seniors and disabled persons living in Monroe; and

**WHEREAS**, hardworking Monroe Township families and senior and disabled citizens, many of whom live on fixed incomes, rely on these tax relief programs as a means to make ends meet and stay in their homes; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2010, former Governor Christie made cuts to the Homestead Rebate Program, including eliminating the benefit altogether for the 2009 tax year, converting the benefit from a direct payment to a tax credit, and postponing payouts; and

**WHEREAS**, the state's annual reduction over the past several years has cut the average homestead rebate from approximately \$1,200 to \$500 per qualified household; and

WHEREAS, despite the Legislature's intent that income eligibility thresholds under the Homestead Rebate Program and the Senior Freeze Program would be adjusted annually to account for cost of living increases, former Governor Christie consistently vetoed such measures and suspended income adjustments; and

**WHEREAS**, the failure to raise annual income eligibility thresholds to keep pace with inflation has led to more and more Monroe families and senior and disabled citizens becoming disqualified from much-needed property tax relief or receiving significantly reduced benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2018 fiscal year budget signed into law by Governor Christie maintained cuts to these programs, continuing the progression of reducing benefits to Monroe's senior and disabled citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Murphy's administration froze nearly \$142 million allocated to the Homestead Rebate Program in March 2020 to alleviate the financial impacts of the coronavirus pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, these measures have progressively eliminated tax relief programs for those Monroe residents most in need of this help; and

WHEREAS, these cuts have negatively affected many senior citizens living in Monroe;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Monroe urge Governor Murphy to restore cuts in the Homestead Rebate Program and the Senior Freeze Program to levels that account for rises in property tax rates in New Jersey.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

## R-6-2020-151 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF THIRD PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS. (\$5,900)

**WHEREAS**, Premiums have been paid for various properties for the purchase of Tax Lien Certificates for properties listed on the Tax Map of the Township of Monroe, in the amount of Five Thousand Nine-Hundred dollars and no cents (\$5,900.00),

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54: 5-33 said premiums must be returned to the purchasers upon redemption:

WHEREAS, The Tax Lien Certificates as outlined on Schedule A have been redeemed:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Monroe in the County of Middlesex in the State of New Jersey that the Township's Certified Municipal Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw a check from the Township's Trust Account in the amount listed on Schedule A and forward same to the Tax Collector for distribution to the purchasers.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

# R-6-2020-152 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE BOND UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE BOND POSTED FOR SPRINGPOINT SENIOR LIVING – BA-5087-14. (Half-Acre Rd.)

**WHEREAS, Springpoint at Half-Acre Road Inc.** has posted Performance Guarantees for the Springpoint Senior Living project (BA-5087-14); 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 Springpoint Senior Living project (BA-5087-14), be released as reflected in the Township Engineer's letter dated June 11, 2020, attached hereto. This approval for release of the Performance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a maintenance guarantee in the amount of **\$206,770.07**. 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 feels that the funds currently being held in escrow with the Township will be sufficient.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

# R-6-2020-153 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE HERITAGE CHASE NEIGHBORHOOD ROADWAY & PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. (NJDOT Local Aid Grant Application)

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Township of Monroe formally approves the grant application for the above stated project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2021-Heritage Chase Neighborhood, Roadway & Pedestrian Improvements-00419 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Monroe; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Monroe and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves execution of the grant agreement.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-154 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE N STATE HOME, LOWER MATCHAPONIX & SPOTSWOOD GRAVEL HILL ROADS ROADWAY & PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.

(NJDOT Local Aid Grant Application)

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Township of Monroe formally approves the grant application for the above stated project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2021-N State Home, Lower Matchaponix, & Spotswood Gravel Hill Roads Roadway & Pedestrian Improvements-00420 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Monroe; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Monroe and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves execution of the grant agreement.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-155 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO 3, 4 AND 5 SUBMITTED BY ARISTA, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH EMS BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. (Increase \$17,514.95)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R-12-2019-337, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on December 23, 2019, a contract was awarded to Arista Builders & Designers, 329 Jackson Mills Road Jackson, N.J. 08527 in connection with EMS Building Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, the original total contract amount was \$300,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution No. R-4-2020-109, Change Order No. 1 and 2 was approved in the amount of \$13,706.00, bringing the total contract amount to \$313,706.00; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Engineer, in a letter dated June 11, 2020, requested approval of Change Order No. 3, 4 and 5 for **EMS Building Improvement Project** as follows:

Change Order No. 3- New Mixing Valve Sys.at Existing Water Heater\$ 3,800.75

Change Order No. 4- New Ceramic and Floor Installation \$17,925.40

\$21,726.15

Change Order No. 5 – Credit from change order no. 1 and 2

\$ 4,211.20 **\$17,514.95** 

WHEREAS, reflecting an increase in the amount of \$17,514.95 as described in the attached change orders;

WHEREAS, the current contract price including these change orders is \$331,220.95; 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-1900088**, 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 Orders No. 3, 4 and 5, attached hereto and made a part hereof, reflecting a contract increase in the amount of seventeen thousand five hundred fourteen dollars and ninety five cents (\$17,514.95).

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

## R-6-2020-156 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE BID THRESHOLD FOR AWARDING CONTRACTS. (Increased to \$44,000)

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:11-3(c), Governor Murphy has the authority to adjust the bid thresholds for awarding contracts by various contracting units; and

**WHEREAS,** the State Treasurer has exercised the right to do so as noticed in the "Adjustment to Public Bidding Threshold" memo, dated June 1, 2020, as attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

**WHEREAS,** contracting units that have appointed a Qualified Purchasing Agent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9(b) can take advantage of a higher bid threshold pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(a) and have their maximum bid threshold increased *from \$40,000.00* to \$44,000.00; and

**WHEREAS,** Monroe Township has appointed such Qualified Purchasing Agent at a meeting held on January 8, 2020, Resolution No. R-1-2020-039, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe desires to take advantage of the increase in the bid threshold;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, hereby increases the Bid Threshold *from* \$40,000.00 to \$44,000.00; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.2 the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-157 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1
AND FINAL SUBMITTED BY DIAMOND CONSTRUCTION IN CONNECTION
WITH THE 2019 CONCRETE TOWNSHIP-WIDE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.
(Increase of \$5,359.15)

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution No. R-8-2019-215, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on August 5, 2019, a contract was awarded to Diamond Construction in connection with the 2019 Concrete Township-Wide Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, the original total contract amount was \$230,800.00; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Engineer, in a letter dated May 27, 2020, requested approval of Change Order No. 1 and Final for the 2019 Concrete Township-Wide Improvements Project reflecting an increase of \$5,359.15 in the contract amount, as described in the attached change order; and

WHEREAS, the current contract price including this change order is \$236,159.15; 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. <u>C-1900056</u>, 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-6-2020-158 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES POSTED BY DIAMOND CONSTRUCTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2019 CONCRETE TOWNSHIP-WIDE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT UPON THE POSTING OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE.

**WHEREAS, Diamond Construction** has posted Performance Guarantees for the 2019 Concrete Township-Wide Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, Diamond Construction has requested a 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, by copy of letter dated May 27, 2020, 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 2019 Concrete Township-Wide Improvement Project, be released as reflected in the Township Engineer's letter dated May 27, 2020, attached hereto. This approval for release of the Performance Guarantees is conditioned upon the posting of a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$23,615.00. Such maintenance guarantee shall run for a period of not less than two years from April 15, 2020.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-159 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT 481, "WATER & WASTEWATER LABORATORY ANALYSIS SERVICES" WITH GARDEN STATE LABORATORIES INC. EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE TO FEBRUARY 14, 2021 FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D."). (unit pricing – estimated \$80,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.") is currently under contract with Garden State Laboratories Inc. (GS LABS) for as required water and wastewater laboratory analysis; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 8.0 "Contract Award and & Term Lengths" of the current contract Specifications, allows for (2) two (12) twelve-month extensions, with the agreement of the vendor; and

WHEREAS, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent and W&S Superintendents have determined that GS LABS has performed satisfactorily during the initial contract term, and feel it is in the best interest of the Monroe Township Utility Department to extend the current contract for the <u>first</u> extension term of (12) twelve months, and has notified GS LABS of the M.T.U.D.'s intention to extend said contract via a letter dated May 4, 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** GS LABS has indicated their acceptance of the extension by signing and returning the above referenced letter, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the M.T.U.D.'s Township Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-190007 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 it hereby authorizes and approves the M.T.U.D. extending its open-ended contract for Wastewater Laboratory Analysis Services with GS LABS, based on the unit pricing and estimated quantities, for the (12) twelve-month extension term. The new expiration date shall be February 14, 2021. The unit pricing, terms and conditions of the agreement shall remain unchanged.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-160 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT 468 "WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS" LINE ITEMS "1.2.1", "1.2.2", and "1.3"
WITH GEORGE S. COYNE CHEMICAL CO., INC. EXTENDING THE
TERMINATION DATE TO JANUARY 18, 2021 FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP
UTILITY DEPARTMENT (M.T.U.D.) (unit pricing – estimated \$10,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.") is currently under contract with George S. Coyne Chemical Co., Inc. for the supply of Citric Acid 50% and Soda Ash Dense for Water Treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 8, 2018 George S. Coyne Chemical Co., Inc. was awarded a (2) two-year contract for said treatment chemicals; and

**WHEREAS**, Section V. "Contract Term and Extension Option" of the current contract General Specifications, allows for the extension of this contract for an additional (1) one-year term, at the request of the Monroe Township Utility Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent, feels it is in the best interest of the Monroe Township Utility Department to extend the current contract for an additional (1) one-year term, and has notified George S. Coyne Chemical Co., Inc. of the M.T.U.D.'s intention to extend said contract via a letter dated May 4, 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** George S. Coyne Chemical Co., Inc. has indicated their acknowledgment and agreement to the extension by signing and returning the above referenced letter, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the M.T.U.D.'s Township Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-180004 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 it hereby authorizes and approves the M.T.U.D. extending its open-ended contract for the supply of Citric Acid 50% and Soda Ash Dense for Water Treatment., based on the unit pricing and estimated quantities, for the (1) one-year extension term. The new expiration date shall be January 18, 2021. The terms and conditions of the agreement shall remain unchanged, and the pricing shall be as per the bid submitted.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-161 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO. 477
"SYSTEM REPAIR SERVICE" WITH B&W CONSTRUCTION CO. OF NJ, INC.
EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE TO JUNE 6, 2021 FOR THE MONROE
TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") (unit pricing – estimated \$20,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.") is currently under contract with B&W Construction Co. of NJ, Inc. (B&W Construction) for as needed System Repair Services; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 22.0 "Contract Period" of the current contract Specifications, allows for (2) two (12) twelve-month extensions, with the agreement of the vendor; and

**WHEREAS,** on May 6, 2019 the <u>first</u> (12) twelve-month extension term was awarded to B&W Construction: and

**WHEREAS**, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent has determined that B&W Construction has performed satisfactorily during the initial and first extension term, and feels it is in the best interest of the Monroe Township Utility Department to extend the current contract for the second and final extension term of (12) twelve months, and has notified B&W Construction of the M.T.U.D.'s intention to extend said contract via a letter dated May 4, 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** B&W Construction has indicated their acceptance of the extension by signing and returning the above referenced letter, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the M.T.U.D.'s Township Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-180021 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 it hereby authorizes and approves the M.T.U.D. extending its open ended contract for System Repair Services with B&W Construction, based on the unit pricing and estimated quantities, for the (12) twelve month extension term. The new expiration date shall be June 6, 2021. The unit pricing, terms and conditions of the agreement shall remain unchanged.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-162 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO. 478
"WELL MAINTENANCE & REPAIR SERVICES" WITH A.C. SCHULTES, INC.
EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE TO MAY 7, 2021 FOR THE MONROE
TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D."). (unit pricing)

**WHEREAS,** the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.") is currently under contract with A.C. Shultes, Inc., Inc. for Well Maintenance & Repair Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the section of the current contract detailed specifications, Section 8. "Contract Award & Term Lengths" allows for the extension of this contract at the request of the Monroe Township Utility Department; and

WHEREAS, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent after consultation with the Water Superintendent, feels it is in the best interest of the Monroe Township Utility Department to extend the current contract for the additional/final (1) one-year term, and has notified A.C. Shultes, Inc., Inc. of the M.T.U.D.'s intention to extend said contract via a letter dated June 3, 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** A.C. Shultes, Inc., Inc. has indicated their acknowledgment and agreement to the extension by signing and returning the above referenced letter, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the M.T.U.D.'s Township Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-180022 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 it hereby authorizes and approves the M.T.U.D. extending its open ended contract for the supply of mechanical maintenance services, based on the unit pricing and estimated quantities, for the (2) two year final extension term. The new expiration date shall be May 7, 2021. The terms and conditions of the agreement shall remain unchanged, and the pricing shall be as per the bid submitted.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-164 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR W&S 968 – CORNELL DEVELOPERS - PB #1101-11 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D"). (Ave. K)

**WHEREAS**, Cornell Developers, LLC has posted a Performance Guarantees with the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.") for W&S 968, Blk 109.38, Lot 9.01; and

**WHEREAS**, Cornell Developers, LLC has requested the release of the Performance Guarantee upon posting and acceptance of a Maintenance Guarantees for water, irrigation and sewer; and

**WHEREAS,** as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55Dd-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Township Council approve the release of the performance guarantee as detailed in a letter dated June 5, 2020, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and as shown herein below:

Reduced Performance Bond #FP 0022396 for water in the amount of \$1069.20 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$534.60. (15% of original bond). Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$118.80 to be returned in full to the developer.

Reduced Performance Bond #FP 0022397 (irrigation) in the amount of \$3596.40 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$1798.20. (15% of original bond). Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$399.60 to be returned in full to the developer.

Reduced Performance Bond #FP 0022398 for sewer in the amount of \$5670.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$2835.00. (15% of original bond). Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$630.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

**WHEREAS,** the Monroe Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendations of the M.T.U.D. Director;

**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 Performance Guarantees posted for W&S 968, Block 109.38, lot 9.01, be released upon establishment of maintenance guarantees as reflected above and in the M.T.U.D. letter annexed hereto. Release of the Performance Guarantee and acceptance of Maintenance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a Maintenance Guarantee and the payment of any outstanding balances attached to the project escrow accounts; and

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

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

DOLL CALL.	Councilmon Loonard Daskin	Arra
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-6-2020-136 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED FOR MONROE CHASE – BA-5041-11. (Halsey Reed Rd/Applegarth Rd)

**WHEREAS, Toll NJ I, LLC.** has posted Performance Guarantees for the Monroe Chase, Block 14, Lots 12.01 & 13 project (BA-5041-11); 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 Monroe Chase project (BA-5041-11), be released as reflected in the Township Engineer's letter dated May 21, 2020, attached hereto. This approval for release of the Performance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a maintenance guarantee in the amount of **\$1,038,187.55**. 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 feels that the funds currently being held in escrow with the Township will be sufficient.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-137 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED FOR MONROE MANOR – SECTION 4 - PB-1036-07. (Butcher Rd)

**WHEREAS, Monroe Manor Inc.** has posted Performance Guarantees for the Monroe Manor – Section 4 – PB-1036-07 project; 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 Monroe Manor – Section 4 – PB-1036-07 project, be released as reflected in the Township Engineer's letter dated May 21, 2020, attached hereto. This approval for release of the Performance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a maintenance guarantee in the amount of **\$56,482.54.** 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 feels that the funds currently being held in escrow with the Township will be sufficient.

R-6-2020-138 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED FOR MONROE MANOR – SECTION 6 - PB-1038-07. (Butcher Rd)

**WHEREAS, Monroe Manor Inc.** has posted Performance Guarantees for the Monroe Manor – Section 6 – PB-1038-07 project; 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 Monroe Manor – Section 6 – PB-1038-07 project, be released as reflected in the Township Engineer's letter dated May 21, 2020, attached hereto. This approval for release of the Performance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a maintenance guarantee in the amount of **\$117,978.19**. 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 feels that the funds currently being held in escrow with the Township will be sufficient.

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-163 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR MONROE 33 DEVELOPERS, LLC, W&S 1010.3 - PB #1188-16 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D"). (Butcher Rd.)

**WHEREAS**, Monroe 33 Developers, LLC has posted a Performance Guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.") for Blk. 1.14, lot 13.02, W&S 1010.3, and;

**WHEREAS**, Monroe 33 Developers, LLC has requested the release of the Performance Guarantee upon posting and acceptance of a Maintenance Guarantee for water and sewer; and

**WHEREAS,** as defined in <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:55Dd-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Township Council approve the release of the performance guarantee as detailed in a letter dated June 5, 2020, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and as shown herein below:

Performance Bond #FP0023626 for water - in the amount of \$161,460.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$24,219.00 (15% of original bond). Letter of Credit #11119 in the amount of \$17,940.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

Performance Bond #FP0023624 for sewer - in the amount of \$54,000.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$8,100.00 (15% of original bond). Letter of Credit #11117 in the amount of \$6,000.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

**WHEREAS,** the Monroe Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendations of the M.T.U.D. Director;

**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 Performance Guarantees posted for W&S 1010.3 be released upon establishment of maintenance guarantees as reflected above and in the M.T.U.D. letter annexed hereto. Release of the Performance Guarantee and acceptance of Maintenance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a Maintenance Guarantee and the payment of any outstanding balances attached to the project escrow accounts; and

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

**SO RESOLVED,** as aforesaid.

R-6-2020-165 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEES FOR MONROE MANOR, INC. SEC. 4A W&S 416.7, MONROE MANOR, INC. SEC. 7 W&S 416.8, MONROE MANOR, INC. SEC. 4B & 6 W&S 416.9 - PB #1039-7 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.") (Butcher Rd)

**WHEREAS**, **Monroe Manor**, **Inc. Sec. 4A** posted a Performance Guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.") W&S 416.7, and;

**WHEREAS**, Monroe Manor requested the release of the Performance Guarantee upon posting and acceptance of a Maintenance Guarantee for water and sewer; and

**WHEREAS,** as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55Dd-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Township Council approve the release of the performance guarantee as detailed in a letter dated June 4, 2020, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and as shown herein below:

Performance Bond #S12522 for water - in the amount of \$85,320.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$12,798.00 (15% of original bond). Cash Performance in the amount of \$9,480.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

Performance Bond #S12520 for sewer - in the amount of \$202,500.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$30,375.00 (15% of original bond). Cash Performance in the amount of \$22,500.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

**WHEREAS**, **Monroe Manor**, **Inc. Sec. 7** posted a Performance Guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.") W&S 416.8, and;

**WHEREAS**, Monroe Manor requested the release of the Performance Guarantee upon posting and acceptance of a Maintenance Guarantee for water and sewer; and

**WHEREAS,** as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55Dd-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Township Council approve the release of the performance guarantee as detailed in a letter dated June 4, 2020, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and as shown herein below:

Performance Bond #FP 0016250 for water - in the amount of \$307,800.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$46,170.00 (15% of original bond). Cash Performance in the amount of \$34,200.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

Performance Bond #FP 0012463 for sewer - in the amount of \$324,000.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$48,600.00 (15% of original bond). Cash Performance in the amount of \$36,000.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

**WHEREAS**, **Monroe Manor**, **Inc. Sec. 4B & 6** posted a Performance Guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.") W&S 416.9, and;

**WHEREAS**, Monroe Manor requested the release of the Performance Guarantee upon posting and acceptance of a Maintenance Guarantee for water and sewer; and

**WHEREAS,** as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55Dd-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Township Council approve the release of the performance guarantee as detailed in a letter dated June 4, 2020, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and as shown herein below:

Performance Bond #FP 0084133 for water - in the amount of \$159,300.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$23,895.00 (15% of original bond).

Cash Performance in the amount of \$17,700.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

Performance Bond #FP 0012463 for sewer - in the amount of \$238,140.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$35,721.00 (15% of original bond). Cash Performance in the amount of \$26,460.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

**WHEREAS,** the Monroe Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendations of the M.T.U.D. Director;

**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 Performance Guarantees posted for W&S 416.7, W&S 416.8 and W&S 416.9 be released upon establishment of maintenance guarantees as reflected above and in the M.T.U.D. letter annexed hereto. Release of the Performance Guarantee and acceptance of Maintenance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a Maintenance Guarantee and the payment of any outstanding balances attached to the project escrow accounts; and

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

#### SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

ROLL CALL: Councilman Leonard Baskin Aye

Councilman Stephen DalinaAyeCouncilman Charles DipierroAbstainCouncil Vice-President Elizabeth SchneiderAyeCouncil President Miriam CohenAye

Copy of Resolutions Duly Filed.

#### **REPORTS:**

**Mayor's Report** – Mayor Tamburro reported that the Township has lost 114 residents due to Covid19 with 749 residents testing positive, noting that we are not through this pandemic yet. He stated that there is more hard work and sacrifice to do in order to fully get through this. Mayor Tamburro thanked all of the residents for their efforts in keeping up with social distancing as that has helped reduce the amount of cases significantly. He added that that we must continue to watch the numbers closely and social distance until a solution has been found.

Former Mayor Roy Etsch has passed away; he has served on Council and as Mayor for the Township and Mayor Tamburro extended his condolences.

Mayor Tamburro thanked the Council for their work on the budget. He noted that this was the toughest budget he has worked on and thanked all the employees for their hard work. Also extended thanked to the EMS, Police and DPW, along with all the departments for stepping up during these trying times.

Mayor Tamburro congratulated all the students who are graduating, as this is a very special moment in each of their lives and they should all be celebrated and recognized.

Lastly, Mayor Tamburro stated that he is very proud of our community as we have faced down the Covid19 pandemic together. He added that we will continue to stand together and make smart decisions to come through this even stronger. God Bless Monroe and our entire community.

**Administrator's Report** – Administrator Weinberg commented that he is grateful to the Mayor and Council for their work on the budget. He noted that this has been quite an experience over the past few months and thanked the OEM team and EMS for all of their dedication and selflessness during these uncertain times.

He extended thanks to the DPW for all of their hard work in putting up the plexiglass around the buildings to keep all of our employees safe. Administrator Weinberg added that we will continue to reopen various components of the Township mindfully and safely.

Quickly reiterated what a Bond Anticipation Note means explaining that these are 1 year notes that lead up to permanent financing. This year we have \$12 million in bond anticipation notes and we are lucky to have an A+ bond rating with a low interest rate.

Briefly highlighted a few resolutions on tonight's agenda; one being \$395,000 from the County towards the purchase of 76 acres of land for Open Space.

Noted that this was a very difficult budget to put together and extended thanks to the Mayor, Council CFO George Lang and Lori Olah for all their hard work in getting it done.

Highlighted that he is very optimistic with the CARES Act monies due in and stated that the Township will continue to pursue more grants and local aid applications.

Excited the have the roadway improvements begin in the Camelot neighborhood, as that has been long overdue and is expected to go out to bid shortly.

Lastly, stated that he is very pleased with the extraordinary work force of the Township. Everyone has worked together and adhering to the guidelines of wearing masks and staying socially distant.

**Engineer's Report** – Engineer Rasimowicz stated that the Camelot neighborhood roadway improvements, funded by a NJDOT grant, will begin by the beginning of next year.

Highlighted two resolutions on tonight's agenda; both applications for the next round of NJDOT grant monies with those two projects being roadway improvements in Heritage Chase and the other being roadway improvements on North State Home Road, Spotswood Gravel Hill Road and Matchaponix Avenue.

Briefly updated the progress of the traffic signalization project at the intersection of Matchaponix Avenue and Spotswood Gravel Hill Road, which is moving along swiftly. Currently, the new poles have been installed and now we are waiting for JCP&L, Verizon and Comcast to move their lines from the old poles to the new poles and then that project will move along rapidly.

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

#### Councilman Dipierro -

- Congratulated the 2020 graduates for their remarkable attempt in stepping forward in their future. Reminded everyone that there is a sound off scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup> to show support to the graduating classes.
- Congratulated the employees for being there for the residents during this time. Everyone has stepped up to work together during these crazy times. It is an honor to be a part of this team to keep Monroe moving forward.
- Wished everyone a safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Any tips on what to do and not to do are on the Township's fire districts website.
- Pointed out that MTUD doing in housework, such work on hydrants, saves the taxpayers money as the more work that they do on our infrastructure the better; Thanked Director Joseph Stroin for his leadership.
- Noted that the business owners of Monroe are trying to make it during these difficult times; he reminded everyone to shop locally and support our businesses. Stated that the Mayor, Council, Administration and Zoning have bent over backwards to get the outdoor dining element implemented and that is much appreciated.
- Asked Engineer Rasimowicz if there is an update on the traffic light at the intersection of Mounts Mills Road; Engineer Rasimowicz answered that he has not heard anything from the County but will reach out for an update.

#### Councilman Baskin -

- Wished the Class of 2020 well and much success in their future endeavors.
- Congratulated the Mayor, fellow Council members and Administration for working hard on the budget.
- Thanked the OEM for their hard work and keeping everyone informed.
- Also extended thanks to the DPW for all of their hard work during these trying times.
- Hopes everyone remembers that this virus is still with us and continue to remain mindful.

#### Councilman Dalina -

- Stated that it was nice to see all his teammates again.
- Happy to see the Township employees are back; they have worked hard with maintaining the level
  of service they provide and having them back is appreciated and gives a sense of some normalcy
  coming back.
- Thanked the Administration and the rest of Council for their work on the budget. He noted that everyone should be proud of themselves and for working together as a team.
- Reminded everyone that the reopening will continue to be slow and steady. Hopes everyone will continue to stay safe as services begin to open back up. Thanked the public for their efforts in social distancing and hopes to see that continued throughout the summer.
- Congratulated the 2020 graduating class; lived through history and made history.

#### Council Vice-President Schneider -

- Received many thanks from residents in regard to the Mayor's letters and updates regarding the Township during this pandemic. Noted that many residents stated that the updates have helped with morale.
- Thanked the Chief and all the employees who have been out on the front lines selflessly helping the residents.
- Excited for the outdoor drive in movie.
- Lastly stated that this was a very hard budget but sensible with only a small increase in taxes.

#### Council President Cohen -

- Shared that she has dined out at a local establishment ordering breakfast and reading the newspaper which was great. She noted that she is very happy to see that things are starting to slowly get back to normal
- Very happy to see and hear how everyone is continuing to work together.
- The 2020 Graduates are moving forward into challenging times which will only strengthen them in the world ahead.
- Thanked her colleagues and commented that she is very happy to see them via video tonight. Also thanked everyone for allowing her to serve and be a part of a wonderful team.

Deputy Township Clerk Christine Robbins quickly reminded everyone that Tuesday, July 7<sup>th</sup> is the Primary Election. She noted that this is a Vote by Mail election which means the ballots received can be mailed back to the County or dropped off at the drop box located at the Jamesburg Borough Hall. Also, she noted that there are 3 polling locations that will be open for those who wish to vote in person, which are the following, Brookside School, the Community Center and the Senior Center. She added that at these locations you are only permitted to vote provisionally unless you are disabled in which then you can vote by the machine that will be at each location.

**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:**

<u>Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr.</u> – Mr. Parab thanked the EMS, Police and all the essential workforce along with the OEM team for all their hard work and in answering the various questions he has had graciously and in a timely manner.

Mr. Parab mentioned the protests and gathering for the Black Lives Movement and noted that he has read the Mayor's message and thanked everyone for their support.

<u>Michael Olesky</u>, 50 <u>Mayberry Ave.</u> – Mr. Olesky asked if there was a way to know how many people are listening online tonight; Administrator Weinberg answered there were 10.

Mr. Olesky stated that in the beginning of the meeting it was mentioned that notifications were sent to certain individuals who asked to receive public notice and inquired as to how he would go about getting on that list; Township Attorney Rainone answered that he could contact the Clerk's Office to sign up to be on the Personal Notice List

Lastly, Mr. Olesky mentioned that if the Township put the meeting dates on their Facebook page, it would then give notification to everyone who is a member of that page as to when the meetings will be held.

<u>Hy Grossman, 15 Doral Dr.</u> – Mr. Grossman noted that he has several books to return to the library and inquired how to do so; Council President Cohen stated that the book drop offs are all open.

Commented that he and his wife have been watching the Township's channel on Comcast Channel 28 and has really enjoyed the concerts being played as it has been fantastic and kept on all day.

Lastly, Mr. Grossman congratulated the Class of 2020.

Council President Cohen thanked Doug and Rob from the Township's IT Department for their hard work and being available to oversee the technical side of the meeting.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dalina 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 Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 7:45pm.

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

CHRISTINE ROBBINS, Township Deputy Clerk

Miriam Cohen

MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

Minutes were adopted on: August 3, 2020