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

**JUNE 26, 2023**

1. **AGENDA MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.** (6:30 p.m.)

2. **SALUTE TO THE FLAG.**

3. **ROLL CALL:**

Councilwoman Miriam Cohen  
Councilman Charles Dipierro  
Councilman Michael Markel  
Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel  
Councilman Terence Van Dzura

4. Township Clerk Patricia Reid reads the **SUNSHINE LAW** into the record.

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5. **PRESENTATIONS and PROCLAMATIONS:**

**Proclamations:**                      **Parks & Recreation Appreciation Month, July 2023**  
Presented to Mary Lange & Virgil Caputo

**Presentations:**                      **Recognition of the Recreation Board Presidents/Volunteers**

Baseball	Russ Church, Jason Rutan	Basketball	Bobby Puglia
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(Police Department Building and parking lot expansion)

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(decrease of \$37,240.00, no change in tax rate)
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(Tabled at the May 31, 2023 Council Meeting)

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10. **Public Comments.** (Limited to **Agenda items only** - 5 Minutes per Speaker)

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

11. **Agenda Meeting Adjournment.**                      Time: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

**JUNE 26, 2023**

**AGENDA**

1. **REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Time: \_\_\_\_\_

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

2. **MOTION** to approve the payment of **CLAIMS** per run date **JUNE 22, 2023**.

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

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

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

**May 31, 2023 - Agenda and Regular Combined Meeting**

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

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PUBLIC HEARING OPEN:            MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_            SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSE:            MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_            SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_ SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_ ROLL CALL: Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_  
**O-6-2023-022 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENT TO THE**

**POLICE BUILDING AND THE EXPANSION OF THE PARKING LOT IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$2,000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,904,700 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.**

(Police Department Building and parking lot expansion)

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

6. **2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

**R-5-2023-148A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT.**  
(decrease of \$37,240.00, no change in tax rate)

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

**REMOVE RESOLUTION NO. R-5-2023-148 FROM TABLE.**

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

**R-5-2023-148 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.**  
(Tabled at the 5/31/23 Council Meeting)

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

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**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**MEETING OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL – June 26, 2023**

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

A moment of silence was held in memory of DPW employee Mike Shearn who passed away unexpectedly.

**UPON ROLL CALL** by the Township Clerk, Patricia Reid, the following members of Council were present: Councilman Charles Dipierro, Councilman Michael Markel, Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel, Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura, and Council President Miriam Cohen.

**ALSO, PRESENT:** Mayor Stephen Dalina, Business Administrator Alan M. Weinberg, Assistant Business Administrator Kevin McGowan, CFO George Lang, Utility Director Joseph Stroin, Township Attorney Louis Rainone, Engineer Mark Rasimowicz and Deputy Clerk Christine Robbins.

There were approximately fifty (50) members of the Public in attendance.

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

Mayor Dalina along with Council Vice-President Van Dzura read aloud and presented Mary Lange and Frank Botti a proclamation in recognition of “Parks & Recreation Appreciation Month, July 2023”. Mayor Dalina thanked all the Recreation Board Presidents and Volunteers for their hard work and dedication and turned the meeting over to Mary Lange who first extended thanks to all of the Recreation Board Presidents and Volunteers for their dedication and unwavering support as these programs would not be able to run without them; she then, with the help of both Mayor Dalina and Council Vice-President Van Dzura handed out awards to the following:

Baseball	Russ Church, Jason Rutan	Basketball	Bobby Puglia
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Mayor Dalina mentioned that the Recreation Advisory Board also plays a vital role as liaison between the Township and Recreation and thanked Council Vice-President Van Dzura for his role as Council Representative to the Recreation Advisory Board. Mayor Dalina lastly extended thanks to Mary Lange for her embodiment of everything Recreation as she is the heart and soul of that Department and is appreciated beyond words.

Councilman Dipierro reiterated the Mayor’s sentiments that growing up in Monroe meant being involved in sports and recreation. He shared a brief history as to how our recreation program began, as it was

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started by Tommy Allen who drove around in a Pinto with a handwritten sign taped to the car that said “Monroe Rec” and operated out of the firehouse on Route 522. He went on to say that the growth in our recreation program has been unbelievable and he thanked all the volunteers for making it what it is today as we have one of the best programs out there.

Councilman Markel commented that our recreation program and its volunteers are what has shaped our youth into the successes that they have grown to be, and he is proud to see the commitment of all involved in continuing to make our recreation program one of the best.

Councilwoman Siegel thanked and congratulated the Recreation Department and all the volunteers for their hard work and dedication to our recreation programs.

Council Vice President Van Dzura stated that he is proud to be a part of the Recreation Advisory Committee as it is spectacular to see the community come together for the interests of the children and to be a part of the spectacular events and programs that they provide.

Council President Cohen thanked the Recreation Department and all its volunteers for their dedication to our recreation program and commented that it is also special to see all of the programs that are provided beyond the recreational ones, such as ‘Lunch & Learn’ and a variety of others that would not be possible without the commitment of the volunteers who help run them all.

A brief recess was taken for photos with the Combined Agenda and Regular Meeting reconvening at 6:52pm.

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PAVING INC. FOR SPOTSWOOD GRAVEL HILL ROAD  
ROADWAY AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.  
(\$665,000.00)**

Councilman Dipierro requested Resolutions R-6-2023-170 and R-6-2023-182 to be considered separately.

Councilwoman Siegel requested Resolution R-6-2023-171 to be considered separately.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilwoman Siegel, the **PUBLIC COMMENTS** portion of the Meeting was opened. All were in favor, none opposed.

**Public Comments:**

**George Gunkelman, 5 Kelly Ct.** – Mr. Gunkelman asked what is involved in the expenditure per R-6-2023-181; Engineer Rasimowicz explained that this involves two parks, Patriots and Veteran’s Park, with each receiving a volleyball court and having site improvements done. Administrator Weinberg added that the Engineer’s estimate was \$409,000 with five bids being received and a \$76,000 grant from DCA has also been received for this project.

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

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilwoman Siegel, the Agenda Meeting was Adjourned at 7:01pm.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Siegel and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the Regular Meeting was Called to Order at 7:02pm.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilwoman Siegel, the **CLAIMS** per run date of **6/22/2022** were approved for payment as written and presented.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Abstain
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Siegel and seconded by Councilman Dipierro the **MINUTES** of the **May 31, 2023 Agenda and Regular Combined Meeting** were approved as written and presented.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

**UPON ACTION** made by the Council the following Ordinance was **moved on SECOND READING for FINAL ADOPTION** as follows:

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**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 underlined**, text to be deleted is ~~struck~~)

**Chapter 39 FEES**

- § 39-1.                    Title.**
- § 39-2.                    Purpose.**
- § 39-3.                    Fees enumerated.**

**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.

**A.        General fees.**

(1) Fees for copies of public records.

(e) ~~(Reserved)~~ **USB Thumb Drives - \$4.73**

(2) Codification.

(d) Land Development Map (Zoning Map): ~~\$5-~~ **\$7.**

(e) Master Plan as of ~~July, 2003~~ **October, 2022:** \$100.

**B.        Licenses & Permits from the Township Clerk's Office.**

(15) Maps, Monroe Township.

(a) Tax Maps: \$1.

(b) Street Maps: ~~\$3-~~ **\$5.**

(c) Ward and District Map: ~~\$3-~~ **\$5.**

(d) Fire District Map: ~~\$3-~~ **\$5.**

(e) Development Location Map: ~~\$3-~~ **\$5.**

**(f) All other 24x36 maps: \$5.**

**J.        Monroe Township Utility Department fees and charges.**

**Part I.   Sewer Service.**

**Section A. Definitions.**

**A. "UNIT"** shall be defined as follows:

1. Residential:

(a) Each single-family dwelling.

- (b) Each single-family apartment dwelling in a multiple-family structure or structures.
- (c) For users, other than residential: including each tenant in a nonresidential building, an equivalent dwelling unit of sewage flow shall be deemed to equal gallons per day of sewage flow. Example: ~~163~~ **169** gal/day x 365 days = ~~59,495~~ **61,685** gal/year or ~~14,874~~ **15,421** gallons per quarter = one UNIT.

**Section D. Sewer Connection Fees and Charges.**

- 2. The connection fee for each unit shall be ~~\$3,399~~ **\$3501**. 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.
- 3. For a user other than residential with estimated sewage flows in excess of ~~163~~ **169** gallons per day, the connection fee shall be based on the number of units as defined in Subsection A(2) **A1(c)** above. Fractional number of units shall be calculated to the next-highest unit.

**Part II. Water Service**

Section A. Definitions:

A. "UNIT" shall be defined as follows:

1. Residential:

- a) Each single-family dwelling.
- b) Each single-family apartment dwelling in a multiple-family structure or structures.

2. Other than residential: includes each tenant in a nonresidential building, one equivalent dwelling unit of potable water shall equal ~~472~~ **171** gallons per day of estimated water consumption or fraction thereof. In a building with more than one tenant or occupant, each separate tenant or occupant shall be calculated separately. Example: 169 **171** gal/day x 365 days = ~~61,685~~ **62,415** gal/year **or 15,604 gallons per quarter** = one unit.

3. IRRIGATION: One equivalent unit of nonpotable water used for irrigation shall equal 483 gallons per day of water consumed or fraction thereof. Connection fees set forth in Section K shall be applicable.

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

- 2. The potable water connection fee for each equivalent unit shall be ~~\$3,405~~ **\$3123**, 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.
- 3. For a user other than residential with estimated potable water consumption in excess of ~~169~~ **171** gallons per day and/or 483 gallons per day for nonpotable irrigation water, then the connection fee shall be based on the number of units as defined in Subsection A(2) above. Fractional number of units shall be calculated to the next highest unit.

**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 Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilwoman Siegel, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-5-2023-019** was **opened**. All were in favor, none opposed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No Public Comment.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Council Vice-President Van Dzura, the **PUBLIC HEARING for Ordinance O-5-2023-019** was **closed**. All were in favor, none opposed.

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

**O-5-2023-019                      ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES".**

(MTUD annually required developer connection fee adjustment; 24x36 copies (maps) \$5.00 and cost of USB thumb drives \$4.73)

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilwoman Siegel, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was Introduced on First Reading for Final Passage:

**O-6-2023-020                      BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$2,239,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,131,400 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.**

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilman Dipierro and seconded by Councilman Markel, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was Introduced on First Reading for Final Passage:

**O-6-2023-021**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE WATER-SEWER UTILITY IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$600,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$600,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF.**

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Councilwoman Siegel and seconded by Council Vice-President Van Dzura, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was Introduced on First Reading for Final Passage:

**O-6-2023-022**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENT TO THE POLICE BUILDING AND THE EXPANSION OF THE PARKING LOT IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$2,000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,904,700 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.**

(Police Department Building and parking lot expansion)

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.

Councilman Dipierro asked what the total for the project would be; Administrator Weinberg answered that we previously authorized \$2.6 million for this project and now an additional \$1.9 million which makes it close to \$4.5 million total. Councilman Dipierro asked if there was a breakdown of the costs for the parking lot improvements and the building expansion; Administrator Weinberg answered that we have an Engineer's estimate with the breakdown of the addition, refurbishing of the 40 year old building, site work and significant stormwater improvements that he is happy to share.

Council President Cohen read aloud the **2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET RESOLUTIONS:**

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilwoman Siegel, the following Resolution was moved for Adoption:

**R-5-2023-148A**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT.**  
(decrease of \$37,240.00, no change in tax rate)

**WHEREAS**, the local municipal budget for the year 2023 was approved on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised, and

**WHEREAS**, it is desired to amend said approved budget, now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, that the following amendments to the approved budget of 2023 be made:

**From**

**To**

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OPEN SPACE,  
RECREATION,  
FARMLAND AND  
HISTORIC  
PRESERVATION  
TRUST FUND

DEDICATED  
REVENUES FROM  
TRUST FUND

Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$1,293,000.00	\$1,255,760.00
Total Trust Fund Revenues	\$1,293,000.00	\$1,255,760.00

APPROPRIATIONS

Reserve for Future Use	\$520,453.00	\$483,213.00
Total Trust Fund Appropriations	\$1,293,000.00	\$1,255,760.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services for her certification of the local municipal budget so amended.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

Copy of Resolution Duly Filed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, **RESOLUTION NO. R-5-2023-148** was **REMOVED FROM THE TABLE**.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

Copy of Resolution Duly Filed.





**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the following Resolutions were moved for Adoption under the **CONSENT AGENDA:** (R-6-2023-169– R-6-2023-182) with the exception of R-6-2023-170, R-6-2023-171 and R-6-2023-182.

**R-6-2023-169                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPER’S AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN DYNR, LLC AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR WATER SERVICES FROM THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT.**  
(Applegarth Road)

**WHEREAS**, DYNR, LLC (the “Developer”) is the developer of certain real property generally located on Applegarth Road, known as Block 41, Lot 7 in the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as the “Property”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Developer, proposes to develop a 6,780 sq. ft. medical office and yoga studio with associated water infrastructure on the Property, as outlined in the Preliminary Major Site Plan with Bulk Variances Resolution (PB#1211-18), approved by the Monroe Township Planning Board (the “Planning Board”) on August 22, 2019 and memorialized on September 26, 2019, and the Final Major Site Plan Approval with Bulk Variances Resolution (PB#1222-19), adopted by the Planning Board on October 22, 2020 and memorialized on December 2, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Developer has requested water service for the Project from the Monroe Township Utility Department (“M.T.U.D.”), and has agreed to comply with all conditions and requirements of all prior adopted approving Resolutions; 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 service; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Attorney has reviewed the agreement attached hereto as **Attachment A**; and

**WHEREAS**, execution of the attached agreement in a form substantially similar to the form attached hereto, subject to the approval of the Township Attorney, 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 a Developer’s Agreement with DYNR, LLC, in a form substantially similar to the form attached hereto as **Attachment A**, subject to the review and approval of the Township Attorney, for the purpose of providing water services to a medical office and yoga studio project being developed by DYNR, LLC.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-6-2023-172                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF THIRD-PARTY TAX LIEN PREMIUM PAYMENTS.**

**WHEREAS**, Premiums have been paid for various properties for the purchase of Tax Lien Certificates for properties listed on the Tax Map of the Township of Monroe, in the amount of Two-Thousand One-Hundred dollars and no cents (\$2,100.00); and

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

**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-6-2023-173                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF TAX  
OVERPAYMENTS.**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector for the Township of Monroe has recommended this Council's approval to make refunds for tax overpayments in the amount of One Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Four dollars and Thirty-Two cents (\$1,174.32) for the amounts described on Schedule A and attached hereto; and

**WHEREAS**, good cause has been shown.

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

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-6-2023-174                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF CASH  
MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR MATRIX 259 LCE – PB-1212-  
18.  
(Prospect Plains Rd)**

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

**WHEREAS**, said maintenance guarantee has expired and Matrix has requested its release; and

**WHEREAS**, as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53 et seq., the Township Engineer, has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended the Monroe Township Council approve the request for release of the cash maintenance guarantee, as detailed in a letter dated June 14, 2023, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendation of the Township Engineer to release the Cash Maintenance Bond in the amount of **\$750.00**;

**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 Maintenance Guarantee posted for Matrix 259 LCE PB-1212-18, be released as reflected above and within the letter annexed hereto. This approval for release of cash maintenance guarantee is conditioned upon the resolution of any outstanding balances attached to the project escrow accounts; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Monroe Township Finance Department is hereby authorized and directed to release said cash Maintenance Guarantee and any escrow accounts related to this project.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-6-2023-175                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE  
GUARANTEE POSTED FOR ROAD OPENING PERMIT ROP #14-02.  
(Spotswood Gravel Hill Rd)**

**WHEREAS**, Alcatel Lucent has posted a Performance Guarantee with Monroe Township for Road Opening project ROP #14-02; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer has inspected the work and has recommended that the Township Council approve the request for release of the performance guarantee, as detailed in his letter dated June 13, 2023, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer advised no escrow shall be released at this time; 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 and State of New Jersey that the Performance Guarantee posted for Road Opening project ROP #14-02, in the amount of \$22,050.00 be released as reflected in the Township Engineers letter annexed hereto.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-6-2023-176                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES TO R3M ENGINEERING, INC. FOR PFAS WATER TREATMENT PRELIMINARY DESIGN – PHASE 1, FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”). (\$85,300)**

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe Township Utility Department (M.T.U.D.) has the need for Professional Engineering Service for design of a PFAS Water Treatment System; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq, after advertisement on the M.T.U.D. and Township’s website for not less than 10 days, Statements of Qualifications for General Water & Sewer Engineering Services were publicly opened for calendar Year 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the R3M Engineering, Inc was selected as a qualified firm to perform these services; and

**WHEREAS**, R3M Engineering, Inc. has submitted a proposal dated June 14, 2023, for the required work totaling \$85,300.00, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B; and

**WHEREAS**, the M.T.U.D. Director has found the proposal to be acceptable, and recommends a contract be awarded to R3M Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$85,300.00; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Finance Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-230018, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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

- (1) The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with R3M Engineering, Inc. for Professional Engineering Design and Construction Services, in accordance with the proposal submitted in the amount of \$85,300.00.
- (2) The Township Chief Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for services rendered by R3M Engineering, Inc. in accordance with the attached proposal;
- (3) The contract is awarded without competitive bidding through a fair and open RFQ/RFP process as a “professional service” in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the contract is for a service performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law;
- (4) The contract award is subject to R3M Engineering, Inc. providing the required valid certificate of insurance is provided.
- (5) A notice of this action shall be printed once in the Home News Tribune.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-6-2023-177                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Construction Official, by copy of letter dated June 19, 2023, copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, has recommended the Council approve the following construction permit refunds:

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<u>Refund to:</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Vison Solar 511 Route 168 Blackwood, N.J. 08012	Permit # 20222281 Requests refund due to permit cancelled. Homeowner at 3 S. Rhoda Street has cancelled solar panel installation.	<b>\$ 651.00</b>
Tesla Energy Operations Inc. 1001 Lower Landing Road Suite 601 Blackwood, N.J. 08012	Permit #20230266 Requests refund due to permit cancelled Homeowner at 3 Liberty Way has cancelled solar panel installation.	\$548.00
Trinity Solar 2211 Allenwood Road Wall, N.J. 07719	Permit #20223819 Requests refund due to permit cancelled Homeowner at 5 Sequoia Court has Cancelled solar panel installation.	\$355.00

**WHEREAS**, Council has reviewed the recommendation of the Construction Official and finds the request for the above refund to be reasonable;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the request is hereby authorized and that a refund be made to **Vision Solar in the amount of \$651.00, Tesla Energy Operations Inc. in the amount of \$548.00 and Trinity Solar in the amount of \$355.00.**

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-6-2023-178                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES FOR THE 2023-2024 LICENSE TERM.**

**WHEREAS**, the Plenary Retail Consumption and Plenary Retail Distribution Applications set forth on the **attached list** for licenses heretofore issued by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey for the licensing year 2023-2024 have been submitted in proper form and no objections have been received in writing or otherwise; and

**WHEREAS**, the applications submitted for the licenses set forth have been found complete in all respects; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicants have been found qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes and regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local Ordinances and conditions consistent with Title 33;

**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 Liquor Licenses as outlined on the attached list, heretofore issued for the licensing term of 2023 – 2024 be and are hereby renewed for the said licensing term, effective July 1, 2023;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue the Club, Plenary Retail Consumption and Plenary Retail Distribution Licenses for the licensing term of 2023 – 2024, effective July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-6-2023-179                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RIDGEWOOD ESTATES ROADWAY AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. (off of Half Acre Rd)**

**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-2024- Ridgewood Estates - Roadway &

Pedestrian Improvements-00117 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-6-2023-180                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE LINKS DRIVE ROADWAY AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.**

**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-2024- Links Drive - Roadway & Pedestrian Improvements-00474 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-6-2023-181                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID TO D'AVELLINO CONSTRUCTION INC. FOR VARIOUS PARK IMPROVEMENTS– PATRIOTS & VETERANS PARKS - PROJECT.**  
(\$371,028.00)

**WHEREAS**, on June 22, 2023, five (5) sealed bids were received by Monroe Township regarding the **Various Park Improvements –Patriots and Veterans Parks - Project**; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer, by copy of letter dated June 22, 2023, has recommended ***D'Avellino Construction Inc. 62 Court Street Freehold, N.J. 07728***, to be awarded the Bid, based upon their bid submission in the amount of **\$371,028.00**; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has reviewed the recommendations made by the Township Engineer regarding said bid; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as set forth in Certificate No. C-2300065, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of bid to ***D'Avellino Construction, Inc.*** for the **Various Park Improvements – Veterans and Patriots Parks Project**, at a total contract price of **\$371,028.00**; and

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

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

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, thereafter, a completed AA-202, monthly project workforce report, must be submitted once a month for the duration of the contract to the Department of Labor and to the Monroe Township Public Agency Compliance Officer.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

Copy of Resolutions Duly Filed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilwoman Siegel, the following Resolutions were removed from the **CONSENT AGENDA** and considered separately: (R-6-2023-170 and R-6-2023-182)

**R-6-2023-170                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE FROM THE TREE ESCROW FUND. (Removal of 11 Ash Trees - \$3,450.00)**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Chapter 96 of the Monroe Township Code entitled "Shade Trees and Shrubbery; Landscaping", a Tree Escrow Fund has been created to hold and disburse fees paid in lieu of tree replanting by developers or property owners removing trees; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the overall health and vitality of Monroe Township's tree cover is at risk due to the Emerald Ash Borer infestation, which has spread to ash trees throughout the Township; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds within the Tree Escrow Fund in Certificate No. C-2300064, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe authorizes the expenditure of not more than \$3,450.00 for the removal of approximately 11 Ash trees, when invoices are tendered by RKD, from the Tree Escrow Fund;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Finance Department is hereby authorized and directed to pay Power Saws of America, Inc. t/a RKD Tree Service from the Tree Escrow Fund, for the services provided.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

**R-6-2023-182                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID TO S & G PAVING INC. FOR SPOTSWOOD GRAVEL HILL ROAD ROADWAY AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. (\$665,000.00)**

**WHEREAS**, on June 22, 2023, five (5) sealed bids were received by Monroe Township regarding

the **Spotswood Gravel Hill Road Roadway and Pedestrian Improvements Project**; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer, by copy of letter dated June 22, 2023, has recommended *S & G Paving Inc. 224 Forsgate Drive Jamesburg, N.J. 08831*, to be awarded the Bid, based upon their bid submission in the amount of **\$665,000.00**; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has reviewed the recommendations made by the Township Engineer regarding said bid; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available, as set forth in Certificate No. C-2300066, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of bid to *S & G Paving Inc.* for the **Spotswood Gravel Hill Road Roadway and Pedestrian Improvements Project**, at a total contract price of **\$665,000.00**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with *S & G Paving Inc.*; and

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

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, thereafter, a completed AA-202, monthly project workforce report, must be submitted once a month for the duration of the contract to the Department of Labor and to the Monroe Township Public Agency Compliance Officer.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Abstain
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

Copy of Resolutions Duly Filed.

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilman Dipierro, the following Resolution was removed from the **CONSENT AGENDA** and considered separately: (R-6-2023-171)

**R-6-2023-171                      RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF CONTRACT NO. 501 "WELL MAINTENANCE & REPAIR SERVICES" TO A.C. SCHULTES, INC. FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT. ("M.T.U.D.") (per 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 8. "Contract Award & Term Lengths" of the current contract detailed

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specifications, 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. Schultes, Inc., Inc. of the M.T.U.D.'s intention to extend said contract via a letter dated June 13, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, A.C. Schultes, 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-210015, 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 Well Maintenance and Repair Services, based on the unit pricing and estimated quantities, for the (1) one-year final extension term. The new expiration date shall be June 3, 2024. The terms and conditions of the agreement shall remain unchanged, and the pricing shall be as per the bid submitted.

**SO RESOLVED**, as aforesaid.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Abstain
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

Copy of Resolution Duly Filed.

**Administrator's Report** – Administrator Weinberg extended condolences to the family of Mike Shearn who sadly passed away. Mike worked for our Department of Public Works and was a great worker who will surely be missed.

Administrator Weinberg invited Director Stroin up to give an update on BFI; Director Stroin stated that all equipment has been received for the BFI Pump Station and has been installed and tested. He stated that within the next week tests will be run to move the leachate and hopefully within a few weeks it will be fully operational and those trucks will be out of the neighborhood.

Administrator Weinberg highlighted the upcoming 2023 Roadway Improvement Project; as well as, noting that the Township has planted over 175 trees as part of our Shade Tree Commission work and our Recreation Summer Camp program begins tomorrow, June 27<sup>th</sup> with almost 900 children who will be in attendance.

**Engineer's Report** – Engineer Rasimowicz gave an update on the Veteran's Park ADA Restroom Improvements, stating that the materials needed for completion are on backorder.

The 2023 Roadway Improvements Program is set to begin milling and paving after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The project includes the municipal and EMS parking lots.

**Council's Reports-**

**Councilwoman Siegel** –

- Extended condolences to the family of Mike Shearn.
- Attended the 10-year anniversary of the Senior Center. It was a very special event listening to Director Nancy Harrigan and Mayor Dalina speak about the growth of the Senior Center over the last 10 years.
- Announced that the Cultural Arts Summer Concerts were starting at Thompson Park on July 6<sup>th</sup>.
- The Historical Preservation Commission went on a bus tour throughout the Township which taught the history of how the Township was formed and how it has shaped over the years.



- Announced there is an Open House at the Dey Farm this weekend.
- Thanked our DPW and Parks Department for how beautiful the parks look.
- Congratulated the Monroe Township High School Seniors Class of 2023, on their graduation and wished them well on all their future endeavors.

**Council Vice-President Van Dzura –**

- Extended condolences to the family of Mike Shearn who worked for our DPW.
- Extended condolences to the family of Danny “Gooch” Garuccio who passed away at the age of 27 due to brain cancer, adding that no one ever had a bad thing to say about him and he will be sorely missed.
- The Farmer’s Market is back at the Library and will run from June 22<sup>nd</sup> through September 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Reported that seniors, 65 or over, making less than \$500,000 can save 50% off their tax bills with new legislation introduced by our State Assembly.
- Reported on the importance of energy efficiency, stating that in watching a segment on ‘60 Minutes’, Talking Heads lead singer David Burns has pushed for solar panels and France passed a law that all parking lots had to have solar panels and we should push for the same and have everywhere. Read that Rutgers is building more parking lots all with solar panel roofs and would like to see the Township look into more solar options.

**Councilman Markel –**

- Shared that our Human Relations Commission work to make recommendation to help eliminate discrimination in our Township and lead him to think about the meaning and celebration of Juneteenth. He then gave a brief history of Juneteenth sharing that it began in Texas in 1865 and is a two-part holiday to commemorate African Americans celebrating their freedoms from segregation but also learning and understanding what it took to get them there. He went on to share that in 1964 in Texas, Annette Gordon Reid desegregated the school system and won a Pulitzer Prize. He added that it is his hope that our Township can do more to celebrate Juneteenth next year.

**Councilman Dipierro –**

- Extended condolences from his family to the family of Danny Garuccio; shared that he always had a smile on his face, and this is a great loss to the community. He remembers a huge parade of Fire Depts., Police and Utility vehicles last year to celebrate Danny.
- Extended condolences to the family of Mike Shearn; shared that he had the pleasure of knowing him well as Mike worked for the landscaping company he owned, and he was also a volunteer fireman. He added Mike’s loss is a huge one for our community.
- Reminded everyone that the Farmer’s Market is back at the Library and urged everyone to support our local farms – Farmer Al’s, Etsch Farms, Krackerjack Farms as these are all family businesses trying to support and it is so important to support local.
- Reminded everyone that the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration will begin at 5:00pm at Thompson Park with the fireworks going off at dusk.
- Asked for an update on Meadowview since the Township has purchased it for \$3 million there has been work ongoing and it is important to keep our residents informed.
- Asked for an update on the Open Space on Mounts Mills Road and 522, as we saved the barn from being torn down and wondered if there was anything going on with that site; Administrator Weinberg answered that the Historical Commission was adamant that we kept the barn which is not an urgent matter so we will look into for future uses of it, adding that there is no money in the budget at this time. Councilman Dipierro commented that if we are going to save the barn we should look into that soon as costs are going up and we need to follow up on our promises.
- Asked for where the traffic light is on Joan Warren Way; Engineer Rasimowicz stated that he did not have an update but will reach out to the County.
- Asked for an update on the Old Bridge-Englishtown and Mounts Mills Road traffic light; Engineer Rasimowicz stated that the County has recently awarded the project and is getting contracts in place. He added that we will reach out for a preconstruction meeting once all is in place. Councilman Dipierro commented that we should put on our website all ongoing projects and statuses.
- Asked for an update on the Prospect Plains and Applegarth Road improvement project; Administrator Weinberg responded that we are going through the process of acquiring the parcels, some of which have to go through condemnation. He added that once the parcels are purchased the County will go out to bid for the project.
- Asked for an update on the drainage issues on Spotswood Englishtown Road; Engineer Rasimowicz stated that he met with the County and the drainage issues are more on the side streets so once they are addressed the County will mill and pave that intersection.
- Attended the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration at the Senior Center.

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- Attended the high school graduation held at the Cure Arena in Trenton, noting that it was well organized and extended congratulations to all the graduates.
- Asked whether the Board of Education moving their school elections back to April affects us and how that would work if something does not pass, does it come before Council to be voted upon and what the process would be; Attorney Rainone answered stating that if the purpose of moving the election was to go over their CAP then they could have put a referendum on to be voted upon in November's election. Councilman Dipierro asked for clarification saying that they cannot go back and forth from April to November to which Attorney Rainone explained in detail.

**Mayor's Report** – Mayor Dalina stated that the Township has lost two family members; Mike Shearn from our DPW who Director Horbatt stated was the most honest employee he has ever had and Daniel Garuccio who was the “Mayor of Monroe” and the same age as his son. Mayor Dalina added that when he became Mayor he asked Danny to be the ‘Official Mayor of the Day’ and do the countdown of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks blast off which he loved to be apart of. He went on to mention that a celebration of Danny's life will take place on July 8<sup>th</sup> from 12pm-4pm at the Helmetta Pavilion located on Maple Street.

Tonight, the Council approved an award of contract for various parks improvement projects which will be done to both Patriots Park and Veteran's Park. He added that this was part of our Master Plan discussions, and being done thanks to grant money received.

Also, tonight the Council approved an award of contract for roadway and pedestrian improvements on Spotswood Gravel Hill Road will be paid for with grant money as well.

Congratulated our Senior Class of 2023 on their graduation.

Attended the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of the Senior Center, commenting that it is the heart and soul of our senior community. He went on to add that the facility has been used to hold fundraisers, ceremonies for synagogues in recognition of the mass shooting that took place in Pittsburgh and was a local vaccination center during Covid. Mayor Dalina extended thanks to our leaders both past and present, Bonnie Leibowitz, Karen Theer and Nancy Harrigan.

Attended the swearing in ceremony for newly appointed Fire District #2 Chief, Scott Volkmann.

Looking forward to the fireworks ceremony being held on the Fourth of July at Thompson Park, with an anticipated 8:45pm start time.

The Music in the Parks Concert Series is set to begin again with concerts being performed every Thursday night starting at 6:00pm with the first concert kicked off by the group “Kindred Spirit”.

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

### **Public Comments –**

**Peter Tufano, 10 Catherine St.** – Extended thanks to everyone in the room who came to his home investigating the numerous flooding issues he has been having because of the construction happening on both sides of his property, as well as illegal fill being brought in behind his home.

In speaking as a resident and not a member of the Board of Education, Mr. Tufano thanked the Mayor for going to Trenton to speak about lowering the tax bills for our seniors but asked when the Mayor and Council will get on a bus to fight for the schools and the future of our Township in receiving our fair share of funding as we only receive \$9 million and many towns surrounding us receive double digits. He asked the Mayor and Council if he had a plan.

**Tim Eosso, 625 Spotswood Gravel Hill Rd.** – Mr. Eosso commented that approximately two months ago Mayor Dalina and Council appointed Councilman Markel where two years prior Mr. Markel was caught on Councilman Dipierro's property stealing lawn signs. Mr. Eosso stated that he has asked for and reviewed the police reports regarding this incident, as there is picture proof of this happening, and nothing has happened to Mr. Markel. Mr. Eosso commented that other candidates, himself included, was charged and defamed on News 12 and all over the Township for doing something similar as Mr. Markel. Mr. Eosso asked how in good faith was Mr. Markel appointed to Council when there are police reports of the incident involving him.

**Gary Busman, 7 Monarch Rd.** – Mr. Busman commented that he takes offense to what was just said from the previous speaker about Mr. Markel. He, himself is a registered Democrat but has also voted Republican, and when it comes to voting he votes for the best person. He went on to say that when the last election was held, Mr. Tufano placed a sign directly in front of a Democratic sign and Mr. Busman moved it and placed it next to it instead.

Mr. Busman asked how the veteran’s housing project is moving along; Administrator Weinberg answered that the project is moving along, adding that it is located on Cranbury-Half Acre Road and will house 80 affordable units for veterans. He stated that the site work is underway, and work will be progressing soon with information and signage going out shortly.

**Joellen Arrabito, 22-O Rossmoor Dr.** – Ms. Arrabito asked in regard to the budget if any new positions were created; Administrator Weinberg answered there are no full-time positions in this budget to which Ms. Arrabito asked if there were part time positions included; Administrator Weinberg answered no but there may be camp counselor positions included as necessary. Ms. Arrabito asked if any jobs were consolidated to which Administrator Weinberg answered that one or two may be consolidated, as when people leave we evaluate if we can do more with less. Ms. Arrabito asked if we have any shared services to which Administrator Weinberg responded that we are always looking for opportunities.

**Steven Riback, 23 Riviera Dr.** – Mr. Riback commented that Mr. Markel deserves to be sitting where he is sitting. He went on to say that campaign time is hard with people doing things that they should not. He went on to say that instead of looking back at situations that happened months ago we need to look forward and make a promise not to act in that way again.

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

**UPON MOTION** made by Council Vice-President Van Dzura and seconded by Councilwoman Siegel, the Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 8:05pm.

ROLL CALL:	Councilman Charles Dipierro	Aye
	Councilman Michael A. Markel	Aye
	Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel	Aye
	Council Vice-President Terence Van Dzura	Aye
	Council President Miriam Cohen	Aye

*Patricia Reid*  
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PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

*Miriam Cohen*  
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MIRIAM COHEN, Council President

Minutes were adopted on August 7, 2023.