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

MARCH 6, 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
Councilwoman Elizabeth Schneider
Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel
Councilman Terence Van Dzura

4. Township Clerk Patricia Reid reads the **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 December 30, 2022 and remains posted at that location for public inspection;
2. Printed in the **HOME NEWS TRIBUNE** and the **CRANBURY PRESS** on December 30, 2022;
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:**

Save Soil Day – March 21, 2023

6. **ORDINANCE(S)** for **SECOND READING** at the March 6, 2023 Regular Meeting:

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

OPEN: MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____

CLOSE: MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____

10. **Agenda Meeting Adjournment.** Time: _____

MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

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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 **MARCH 1, 2023**.
MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
MOTION to approve the **MINUTES** of the following meetings as written and presented:
February 6, 2023 - Agenda and Regular Combined Meeting
MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

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7. **RESOLUTIONS removed** from consent agenda for **CONSIDERATION (if needed)**.

MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____ ROLL CALL: Ayes ___ Nays ___

8. **Administrator’s Report.**

9. **Engineer’s Report.**

10. **Council’s Reports.**

11. **Mayor’s Report.**

12. **Public Comments.** (5 Minutes per Speaker)

OPEN: MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____

CLOSE: MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____

13. **Adjournment.** MOTION: _____ SECOND: _____

Time: _____