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

NOVEMBER 6, 2019

AGENDA

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

2. Salute to the Flag.

3. **ROLL CALL:**

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

4. Council President Dalina to request the following **SUNSHINE LAW** be read into the record:

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(Decrease of \$5.89)

7. Public. (5 Minutes per Speaker)

8. Agenda Meeting Adjournment. Time: _____

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

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1. **REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Time: _____
MOTION: _____
SECOND: _____
ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

2. **PROCLAMATIONS and PRESENTATIONS:**

Virgil Caputo – recognition for being on the Board of Directors for The Sports Field Managers Association of NJ (SFMANJ) as well as the Outstanding Parks Dept Employees.

3. **MOTION** to approve the payment of **CLAIMS** per run date 10/31/2019.

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

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

MOTION to approve the **MINUTES** of the following Meeting as written and presented
October 7, 2019 – Combined Agenda and Regular Meeting

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

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MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

7. Mayor’s Report.

8. Administrator’s Report.

- Best Practices Inventory Discussion

9. Engineer’s Report.

10. Council’s Reports.

11. Public. (5 Minutes per Speaker)

12. Adjournment. Time: _____

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

ROLL CALL: Ayes _____ Nays _____

TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
COMBINED AGENDA/REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 6, 2019

The Council of the Township of Monroe met at the Monroe Township Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, for a Combined Agenda/Regular Meeting.

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

Council President Dalina asked for everyone to remain standing for a Moment of Silence for the victims lost in a house fire this morning in the neighboring town of Jamesburg.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Gerald W. Tamburro, Business Administrator Alan M. Weinberg, Township Attorney Marguerite Schaffer, Engineer Mark Rasimowicz and Deputy Township Clerk Tanya Pannucci.

There were approximately thirty (30) members of the Public present in the audience.

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PUBLIC:

Rey Redington, 670 Windgate Ct. – Mr. Redington shared that he will be shutting down Monroe Now at the end of the week. He stated he was coming before the Mayor and Council as a private citizen and shared that he has had difficulty in getting question answered by the employees of the Township and wants to voice his grievances regarding that.

Mr. Redington stated that he knows that the Township is a Faulkner Act Government which is a strong Mayor. The Mayor has certain responsibilities and one is to supervise and direct employees and Departments. Attorney Schaffer stated that he can ask the questions but they should be asked outside of a Council Meeting. Mr. Redington asked if there is an appropriate time to address them in a public forum. Attorney Schaffer stated that he can write the Mayor a letter to him to address his questions.

Francis Steinhauser, 19 Oliver St. – Mr. Steinhauser stated that we are at a Council Meeting which is open to the public and the Mayor is sitting across the room and when asked a direct question he sits there and stays silent. Mr. Steinhauser went on to say that the Mayor hides behind the Council and he should answer the questions.

Dana Vento, 96 Monmouth Rd. – Ms. Vento asked what the budget for ice and snow removal is; Administrator Weinberg answered that that is encompassed as part of the duties of some of the DPW and Road Department employees, as well as, the Monroe Township Utility Department. He further explained that if they are needed to work overtime, there is an overtime budget, which is \$250,000. Administrator Weinberg further added that we use our own employees for plowing and they are paid a salary along with the overtime as needed.

Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr. – Mr. Parab asked where ordinances and resolutions can be viewed; Council President Dalina answered that once an ordinance is introduced, they are then posted on the Township’s website. Township Clerk Patricia Reid further explained that they are first introduced then advertised and placed on the Township’s website and then a 2nd reading and public hearing is done.

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Councilman Baskin, the Agenda Meeting of November 6, 2019 Adjourned at 6:40 PM.

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

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the Regular Meeting of November 6, 2019 Reconvened at 6:45 PM.

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

Council President Dalina introduced Virgil Caputo to recognize him for being on the Board of Directors for the Sports Field Managers Association of NJ, as well as, to recognize the Parks Department employees for the outstanding jobs they do in keeping our fields looking amazing. Council President Dalina presented Virgil and his staff with “Service of Excellence” pins and thanked them for all of their hard work.

UPON MOTION made by Council Vice-President Schneider and seconded by Councilwoman Cohen, the **CLAIMS** per run date of **10/31/2019** were approved for payment as presented.

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

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider, the **MINUTES** of the **October 7, 2019 Combined Agenda and Regular Meeting** were approved 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 Councilwoman Cohen 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-11-2019-027 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 78 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED “PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES”

(Bi-weekly paydays effective 1/1/2020)

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 Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Councilman Baskin, an Ordinance of which the following is the title was introduced on first reading for Final Passage:

O-11-2019-028 ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DEED AND A CONSERVATION EASEMENT FROM MARGOS MARK SHAHINIAN AND BONNIE L. GRANITSKI AT 265 MOUNT'S MILLS ROAD, BLOCK 53, LOT 28.10.

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

Copy of Ordinance Duly Filed.
O-11-2019-028

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider the following Resolutions were moved for Adoption under the **CONSENT AGENDA:**
(R-11-2019-259 – R-11-2019-285)

R-11-2019-259 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE FROM THE TREE ESCROW FUND. (\$586.44)

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. O-9-98-039, repealed and replaced by Ordinance No. O-6-2001-026 (the "Tree Removal Ordinance"), 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, a resident from Heritage Chase has requested reimbursement for two (2) diseased Ash Shade trees which they had removed in 2017 because they were misinformed and were told the Township would not assist with the removal of the diseased trees; and

WHEREAS, by memo dated October 4, 2019, the Monroe Township Business Administrator requested that Council approve the request for reimbursement in the amount of \$586.44 to the resident of Heritage Chase for the removal of their diseased Ash Shade Trees which they previously had removed; 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 the request be authorized; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds within the Tree Escrow Fund in Certificate No. C-1900073 attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe authorizes the expenditure from the Tree Escrow Fund in the amount of \$586.44 to reimburse Heritage Chase resident Rene Lemay, 14 Regent Drive, Monroe Twp. 08831; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is hereby authorized and directed to reimburse the resident from the Tree Escrow Fund.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-260 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WITH K & A EXCAVATING CO. INC. FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP OUTSIDE SNOW & ICE REMOVAL.

WHEREAS, on December 26, 2018 per Resolution No. R-12-2018-350, **K & A Excavating Co. Inc.**, was awarded the Monroe Township Outside Snow & Ice Removal contract; and

WHEREAS, the current contract expires on December 31, 2019 and the Township has an option to extend for one additional one-year period; and

WHEREAS, the Township Qualified Purchasing Agent inquired as to the willingness of K & A Excavating Co. Inc. to extend their current contract; and

WHEREAS, the attached letter dated September 20, 2019 indicates the willingness of **K & A Excavating Co. Inc.** to extend the current contract from January 1, 2020 thru December 31, 2020, under the same terms, conditions and pricing contained within their original bid specification and contract; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available as set forth in Certificate No C-1800078, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the contract for Monroe Township Outside Snow and Ice Removal is being extended one year to December 31, 2020 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-15 of the Local Public Contracts Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the one-year extension of contract with K & A Excavating Co. Inc. under the same terms, conditions and pricing within their original bid specification submitted for Monroe Township Outside Snow and Ice Removal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Department is hereby authorized and directed to pay Invoices for the above referenced vendor in accordance with the original terms, conditions and pricing contained within their original 2019 contract entered into between the parties;

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-261 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE UPON THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED FOR COSTCO –PB-1105-11.

WHEREAS, Southeast Industrial Rental and Cleaning Inc. has posted Performance Guarantees for the Costco – Truck Parking Expansion project (PB-1105-11); 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, by copy of letter dated August 29, 2019, 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 Costco – Truck Parking Expansion project (PB-1105-11), be released as reflected in the Township Engineer’s letter dated August 29, 2019, attached hereto. This approval for release of the Performance Guarantee is conditioned upon the posting of a maintenance guarantee in the amount of **\$51,724.34**. 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-11-2019-262 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISCHARGE OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING LIEN GIVEN ON 1183 MORNING GLORY DRIVE.

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2015, Robert F. Lande (“Lande”) gave a recapture mortgage in accordance with the State’s Affordable Housing Program, to the Township of Monroe requiring Lande to pay the sum of \$88,000.00 to the Municipality upon the first non-exempt sale of their property having an address of 1183 Morning Glory Drive, (the “Property”) as provided under the rules of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.5(c), said mortgage having been recorded with the Middlesex County Clerk on March 19, 2015, in Mortgage Book 15934 on Page 0688 *et seq.* (the “Lande Affordable Housing Lien”); a copy of said mortgage is attached as Exhibit “A”; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2019, Lande sold the Property to Peter Beauharnais, (“Beauharnais”); Lande executed a deed in the mandatory form required for ownership units subject to restrictive covenant required by N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.5(d) transferring title to the Property to Beauharnais for the sum of \$65,000.00, said deed having been recorded with the Middlesex County Clerk on September 20, 2019 in Deed Book 17627, page 239 *et seq.*; a copy of said deed is attached as Exhibit “B”; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2019, Beauharnais gave a recapture mortgage in accordance with the State’s Affordable Housing Program to the Township of Monroe requiring Beauharnais to pay the sum of \$60,100.00 to the Municipality upon the first non-exempt sale of their property having an address of 1183 Morning Glory Drive, as provided under the rules of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance

Agency set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.5(c), said mortgage having been recorded with the Middlesex County Clerk on September 20, 2019, in Mortgage Book 17627 on Page 265 *et seq.*; a copy of said mortgage is attached as Exhibit “C”; and

WHEREAS, the Lande Affordable Housing Lien qualifies for discharge under the New Jersey Fair Housing Act, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301 *et seq.* and the rules of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance agency set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, Lande sold the Property to Beauharnais, and Beauharnais executed a new affordable housing recapture mortgage in favor of the Township; accordingly, the Lande Affordable Housing Lien should be discharged; and

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 authorized and directed to execute the Discharge of Mortgage, annexed hereto as Exhibit “D”.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

**R-11-2019-263 RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR TRANSPORTATION
ELECTRIFICATION IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.**

WHEREAS, emissions from gasoline and diesel-powered vehicles contribute significantly to air pollution, including global warming emissions, ground-level ozone, fine particulate matter; and

WHEREAS, numerous scientific studies have found links between exposure to fine particulates and health effects including premature death, and increased incidents of asthma, allergies, and other breathing disorders, including groundbreaking research from the Rutgers Environmental and Occupational Health Science Institute (EOHSI); and

WHEREAS, New Jersey is especially at threat from the impact of climate change, with more than 300,000 people in coastal areas in danger from rising sea levels, flooding, and dangerous storms; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey is warming at twice the rate of the rest of the United States because of fossil fuel use, leading to dangerous environmental and public health impacts; and

WHEREAS, petroleum-based gasoline and diesel fuel are non-renewable fuels, and for every gallon of gasoline used, the average car produces about 20 pounds of carbon dioxide (CO₂), the largest contributor to climate change nationally and in-state; and

WHEREAS, more than 40 percent of energy-related greenhouse gas emissions in New Jersey are from the transportation sector, with about half of that (20 percent) from fossil fuel-powered cars; and

WHEREAS, increased adoption of electric vehicles and the charging infrastructure to support them is an effective way to reduce climate-heating greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality; and

WHEREAS, electric vehicles may bring economic benefits, such as reduced electricity costs to residents; and

WHEREAS, Monroe Township wants to be prepared to take advantage of the rapidly expanding market in electric vehicles and the growing range of funding sources for transit electrification; and

WHEREAS, Monroe Township is committed to fostering sustainability and ensuring a healthy environment for present and future citizens; and

WHEREAS, with the Trump Administration’s proposed rollback of the Clean Cars program and attack on the ability of states like New Jersey to set their own emissions standards, it is more critical than ever for counties like Monroe Township to support the goals of the New Jersey Clean Cars program to put more than 330,000 electric vehicles on the road by 2025 to reduce air pollution and carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to pass S2252/A4819 to install at least 600 public DC fast chargers and Level 2 public community chargers at 1,000 locations or more across the state by December 31, 2021 as soon as possible.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, supports the electrification of transportation and welcomes investment in electric vehicles and electric vehicle supply equipment by agencies public and private.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to achieve this, the Township Council of the Township of Monroe supports S2252/A4819 and urges New Jersey’s legislature to pass the bill as quickly as possible to expand charging infrastructure and rebates for electric vehicle owners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe supports and encourages the efforts of non-profits and agencies in the county to raise money and interest in transportation electrification with the goal of beginning to electrify the municipal fleet of towns as soon as possible.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

**R-11-2019-264 RESOLUTION DEMONSTRATING COMPLIANCE WITH
REGULATIONS OF THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD OF THE STATE OF
NEW JERSEY REGARDING THE 2018 ANNUAL AUDIT.**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for Year 2018 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall, by Resolution, certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations"; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Governing Body have personally reviewed, as a minimum, the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations", as evidenced by the Group Affidavit Form of the governing body, attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, such Resolution of Certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body not later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and

WHEREAS, all members of the Governing Body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the Affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, and in addition shall forfeit his office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this Resolution and the required Affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

**R-11-2019-265 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL FEES
TO SHAIN SCHAFFER, P.C. TO HANDLE THE MATTER OF CT07 SPII
LLC AND DT07 SPII LLC v. THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ET AL. AS
EXTRAORDINARY LITIGATION. (Additional \$10,000)**

WHEREAS, a lawsuit has been filed against the Township of Monroe, the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Middlesex County, Docket No. MID-L-3953-19, entitled CT07 SPII LLC, and DT07 SPII LLC v. Township of Monroe, et al.; and

WHEREAS, Shain Schaffer, P.C. possesses the expertise necessary to represent the Township in these matters; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Township of Monroe has requested that Shain Schaffer, P.C. defend the interests of the Township and this matter be treated as extraordinary litigation; and

WHEREAS, acknowledgement of the status of “extraordinary litigation” requires the advice and consent of the Township Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council, by Resolution No. R-6-2019-180 acknowledged the status of “extraordinary litigation” and provided its advice and consent to the legal services of Shain Schaffer, P.C. pending further authorization of the Township Council; and

WHEREAS, Shain Schaffer, P.C. has incurred legal fees in excess of the budgeted amounts and has requested additional authorization in the amount of **\$10,000.00**; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed the request and believes that an additional authorization in the amount of **\$10,000.00** for the above referenced litigation is reasonable at this time; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds in Certificate No and **C-1900052**, copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit “A”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that it has rendered its advice and hereby authorizes Shain, Schaffer P.C. be paid for legal services rendered in connection with the matter CT07 SPII LLC, and DT07 SPII LLC v. Township of Monroe, et al in the amount of **\$10,000.00**.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-266 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 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 Four thousand four hundred fifty-six dollars and eighty-one cents (\$4,456.81) 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-11-2019-267 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 Ninety-Two Thousand One-Hundred dollars and no cents (\$92,100.00); 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-11-2019-268 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF SENIOR CENTER RENTAL FEE. (\$350)

WHEREAS, the Special Event Coordinator, by copy of a letter dated October 21, 2019, copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, has recommended the Council approve the following Senior Center rental refund:

Refund to:	Reason	Amount
Devotional Associates of Yogeshwar 23 Van Kruinigen Court Apt. 226 Wallington, N.J. 07057	Cancelled event scheduled for September 29, 2019.	\$350.00

WHEREAS, Council has reviewed the recommendation of the Special Event Coordinator 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 **Devotional Associates of Yogeshwar in the amount of \$350.00**.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-269 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR THE “CFC/HCFC RECOVERY REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM”.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Interlocal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et seq., a municipality may enter into a contract with any other local unit for the joint provision within their several jurisdictions of any service with any party who the contract is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Middlesex County is pro-active in addressing environmental issues such as the depletion of the ozone layer; and

WHEREAS, chlorofluorocarbons (CFC’s) and Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFC’s) are manmade chemicals that are known to cause ozone depletion; and

WHEREAS, effective November 7, 2007 recycling of white goods, including those that contain CFCs/HCFCs is mandatory in Middlesex County; and

WHEREAS, the County is seeking to provide a financial incentive that will assist municipalities in properly capturing CFCs/HCFCs from residentially discarded appliances that they collect curbside or at their drop-off centers; and

WHEREAS, the County and Municipality are authorized to enter into this Agreement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2); and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Monroe has determined that it is in the best interest of the residents and taxpayers of the Township of Monroe to enter into an Interlocal Services Agreement with the County of Middlesex to properly collect the appliances so as to not inadvertently discharge the CFCs/HCFCs, to use an approved vendor to recover the CFCs/HCFCs and provide documentation of the CFC/HCFC recovery;

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 be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the annexed Interlocal Services Agreement with the County of Middlesex for a five year (60 month) period commencing January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2024, or for such shorter period as may be dictated by the exhaustion of available funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Agreement may be terminated by either party by providing a thirty (30) day written notice to the other party.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Department of Planning, Division of Solid Waste Management, County of Middlesex, New Jersey along with two (2) officially executed Agreements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, prior to the execution of said Contract, the Township Attorney is authorized to review said Contract as to form and substance, and to make any changes deemed to be necessary and/or appropriate.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-270 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH, DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT, FOR THE COOKING OIL RECYCLING PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Middlesex County is proactive in addressing environmental issues such as recycling; and

WHEREAS, cooking oil that is poured down the drain can clog drain pipes and block sewer lines and cooking oil can be refined and used as a raw ingredient and/or be recycled into a variety of products including but not limited to fuels and animal feed; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Certified Public Works Manager to enter into this agreement with Middlesex County and feels it would benefit the residents of the Township and County; and

WHEREAS, Middlesex County and Monroe Township have agreed to have a drop-off location at 76 Gravel Hill Spotswood Road; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe may keep any revenues provided by the vendor and should the vendor begin to charge the Township to recycle the cooking oil, the County shall provide a subsidy of up to 100% of the cost of each properly documented cooking oil pick up, subject to available funding; and

WHEREAS, the Inter-Local Services Agreement to be entered into between the Township of Monroe and the County of Middlesex, Department of Public Safety and Health, Division of Solid Waste Management, a form of which is annexed hereto, shall have a duration of five (5) years, commencing January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement may be terminated by either party by providing a thirty (30) day written notice to the other party.

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 Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into an Inter-local Services Agreement with the County of Middlesex, Department of Public Safety and Health, Division of Solid Waste Management for the Cooking Oil Recycling Program commencing January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that prior to the execution of said Contract, the Township Attorney is authorized to review said Contract as to form and substance, and to make any changes deemed to be necessary and/or appropriate.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-271 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE REHABILITATED AFFORDABLE HOUSING AGREEMENT AND LIEN ON 110 MONMOUTH ROAD (BLOCK 169.1, LOT 1).

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2009, Lawrence & Deborah Caffrey (“Caffrey’s”) entered into a Rehabilitated Affordable Housing Agreement with the Township of Monroe restricting the Caffrey’s from selling or conveying title to the property for a period of ten years pursuant to Monroe Ordinance 131-8 and N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301 et seq, said Agreement having been recorded with the Middlesex County Clerk on November 14, 2011, in Mortgage Book 06301 on Page 0561; and

WHEREAS, the Affordable Housing Lien Agreement states that “in the event this Agreement shall be terminated before the end of the 10 year period with the knowledge and consent of the Monroe Township Affordable Housing Board, and the lien has been paid in full pursuant to Section 131-8(c) of the Monroe Township Code, the Township of Monroe shall execute a document in recordable form evidencing that the rehabilitated affordable housing unit has been released from the restrictions of this Agreement”; and

WHEREAS, Monroe Township Affordable Housing Board has been advised and has consented to the termination of the Affordable Housing Lien Agreement as the ten year requirement for the lien has been substantially complied with, and recommending that the lien should be released upon the payment of \$1,695.25, which represents the lien being in place for nine (9) years and seven (7) months, citing that an undue hardship exists, as memorialized by the Monroe Township Affordable Housing Board in a resolution dated October 1, 2019, annexed hereto as Exhibit “A”.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that upon the payment of \$1,695.25 by the Caffrey’s, the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Release of the Rehabilitated Affordable Housing Agreement, annexed hereto as Exhibit “B”.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-272 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT, FOR THE DISPOSAL PROGRAM OF PAINT AND PAINT RELATED PRODUCTS.

WHEREAS, the County and Municipality are authorized to enter into Agreements, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2); and

WHEREAS, the County has undertaken a paint drop off program (the “Program”) for the resident of the County; and

WHEREAS, beginning July 1, 2016, the County requested Monroe Township to be one of the paint drop off sites to be located at the Department of Public Works located at 76 Gravel Hill – Spotswood Road; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the Township of Monroe continue to utilize this program; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, is again desirous of contracting with the Middlesex County Division of Solid Waste Management for the paint drop off program;

WHEREAS, the Inter-Local Services Agreement to be entered into between the Township of Monroe and the County of Middlesex, Division of Solid Waste Management, a form of which is annexed hereto, shall have a duration of five (5) years, commencing January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2024, unless for such shorter period as may be dictated by the exhaustion of available funds; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement may be terminated by either party by providing a thirty (30) day written notice to the other party.

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 Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into an Inter-local Services Agreement with the County of Middlesex, Division of Solid Waste Management for the Paint Disposal Program commencing January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that prior to the execution of said Contract, the Township Attorney is authorized to review said Contract as to form and substance, and to make any changes deemed to be necessary and/or appropriate.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-273 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN GREENCHIP, INC. AND MONROE TOWNSHIP FOR 2019 ELECTRONIC WASTE RECYCLING SERVICES.

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, this agreement will begin January 1, 2020 expiring December 31, 2020, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract with Greenchip, Inc., 540 Kingsland Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11222 for a contract period effective January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, subject to the Township Attorney’s final review and/or revisions of the agreement proposed by Greenchip, Inc.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-274 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN INTER-LOCAL/ SHARED SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH, OFFICE OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES.** (2- year agreement: 2020 - \$97,060.26; 2021- \$99,001.47)

WHEREAS, the County of Middlesex has created the Middlesex County Office of Health Services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:3A2-1 et seq., to provide an array of public health services; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, is desirous of contracting with the County for the furnishing by the County to the Township of Monroe, health services of a technical and professional nature as more fully set forth within the attached form of contract; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to enact an Inter-Local Services Contract with the County of Middlesex, Department of Public Safety and Health, Office of Health Services, for the Township to benefit from these services; and

WHEREAS, the Township's Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified in Certificate No. C-1900074, a copy of which is attached hereto, that sufficient funds are available; and

WHEREAS, the Inter-Local Services Contract to be entered into between the Township of Monroe and the County of Middlesex, Department of Public Safety and Health, Office of Health Services, a form of which is annexed hereto, shall have a duration of two (2) years, commencing January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the base cost for the provision of the aforesaid health services for Year 2020 is projected to be \$97,060.26. The cost for Year 2021 is projected to be \$99,001.47.

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 Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to enter into an Inter-local Services Contract with the County of Middlesex, Department of Public Safety and Health, Office of Health Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, prior to the execution of said Contract, the Township Attorney is authorized to review said Contract as to form and substance, and to make any changes deemed to be necessary and/or appropriate.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-275 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 AND FINAL SUBMITTED BY EAGLE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH THE DANIEL P. RYAN MEMORIAL FIELD CONCESSION STAND AND ADA RESTROOM PROJECT.** (Increase of \$7,974)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R-11-2018-289, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on November 7, 2018, a contract was awarded to Eagle Construction Services Inc. in connection with the Daniel P. Ryan Memorial Field Concession Stand and ADA Restroom Project; and

WHEREAS, the original total contract amount was \$650,514.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, in a letter dated October 15, 2019, requested approval of Change Order No. 1 and Final for the Daniel P. Ryan Memorial Field Concession Stand and ADA Restroom Project reflecting an increase in the amount of **\$7,974.00** as described in the attached change order;

WHEREAS, the current contract price including this change order is \$658,488.00; 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-1800072, 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, in the amount of seven thousand nine hundred seventy four dollars (\$7,974.00).

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-276 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 AND FINAL SUBMITTED BY COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES, LLC. IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROSPECT PLAINS SOCCER COMPLEX CONCESSION STAND AND RESTROOM PROJECT. (Increase of \$1,637.82)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R-3-2019-083, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on March 4, 2019, a contract was awarded to Commercial Construction Management Services, Inc. in connection with the Prospect Plains Soccer Complex Concession Stand and Restroom Project; and

WHEREAS, the original total contract amount was \$787,794.10; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, in a letter dated October 15, 2019, requested approval of Change Order No. 1 and Final for the Prospect Plains Soccer Complex Concession Stand and Restroom Project reflecting an increase in the amount of **\$1,637.82** as described in the attached change order;

WHEREAS, the current contract price including this change order is \$789,431.92; 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-1900013**, 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, in the amount of one thousand six hundred thirty seven dollars and eighty two cents (\$1,637.82).

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-277 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 AND FINAL SUBMITTED BY ROAD SAFETY SYSTEMS, LLC. IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2019 TOWNSHIP WIDE GUIDERAIL REPLACEMENT PROJECT. (Increase of \$1,925)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R-8-2019-217, adopted by the Monroe Township Council at its meeting held on August 4, 2019, a contract was awarded to Road Safety Systems LLC. in connection with the 2019 Township Wide Guiderail Replacement Project; and

WHEREAS, the original total contract amount was \$87,299.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, in a letter dated October 22, 2019, requested approval of Change Order No. 1 and Final for the 2019 Township Wide Guiderail Replacement Project reflecting an increase in the amount of **\$1,925.00** as described in the attached change order;

WHEREAS, the current contract price including this change order is \$89,224.00; 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-1900066**, 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, in the amount of one thousand nine hundred twenty five dollars (\$1,925.00).

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

R-11-2019-278 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS.

WHEREAS, there are certain 2019 budget appropriations of the Township of Monroe which may be insufficient to meet the requirements of the Township's affairs; and

WHEREAS, there are certain other budget appropriations where there are unexpended balances which will not be used for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, Revised Statutes 40A:4-58 provides for the transfer from such accounts that have unexpended balances to those accounts which have deficiencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe that the transfers itemized below are hereby authorized among the following 2019 accounts:

<u>CURRENT FUND</u>	<u>TRANSFER</u>
<u>TRANSFER FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
POLICE DEPARTMENT Salary & Wage	\$20,000.00
TOTAL TRANSFER FROM:	\$20,000.00
<u>TRANSFER TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
BUILDING & GROUNDS Salary & Wage	\$20,000.00
TOTAL CURRENT FUND	\$20,000.00

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

**R-11-2019-279 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE
 GUARANTEE POSTED FOR ROP# 18-45, 1 REDWOOD COURT.**

WHEREAS, James Hoppe has posted a Performance Guarantee with Monroe Township for Road Opening project ROP #18-45, 1 Redwood Court; 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 October 21, 2019, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendation 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 #18-45, 1 Redwood Court in the amount of \$2,730.00 be released to James Hoppe, 1 Redwood Court Monroe Township, N.J. 08831 as reflected in the Township Engineers letter annexed hereto.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

**R-11-2019-280 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE
 GUARANTEES FOR W&S 1010.4 MONROE PLACE – PB-1118-12
 POSTED TO THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT
 (M.T.U.D.)**

WHEREAS, Toll NJ 1, LLC has posted a Performance Guarantee for W&S1010.4; and

WHEREAS, Toll NJ 1, LLC has requested a 70% reduction in the Performance Guarantee posted for the project; and

WHEREAS, defined in 40:55D-53 et seq., the Monroe Township Utility Department (MTUD) has inspected the work performed and the work to be completed and has recommended that the Township Council approve the request for a 70% reduction in the bond, as detailed in a letter dated October 16, 2019, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A":

Performance Bond #9273365 (water) in the amount of \$241,704.00 to be reduced to \$72,511.20.

Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$26,856.00 be reduced to \$8,056.80.

Performance Bond #9273364 (sewer) in the amount of \$164,808.00 to be reduced to \$49,442.40.

Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$18,312.00 be reduced to \$5,493.60.

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the MTUD Director's recommendations;

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 Cash Performance Guarantees posted for W&S 1010.4 be reduced as reflected above and the MTUD letter annexed hereto. This approval for a 70% Reduction is conditioned upon the provision of replacement guarantees and/or riders and the resolution of any outstanding balances attached to 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-11-2019-281 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR ROCKY BROOK, W&S 1099 PB-1116-12, HIDDEN POND, BLOCK 17, LOTS 3.06 & 3.08 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D.").

WHEREAS, Block 17 Associates, LLC has posted a Performance Guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department ("M.T.U.D.") for W&S, Blk.17, Lots 3.06 & 3.08; and

WHEREAS, Block 17 Associates, 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 N.J.S.A.40:55D-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 October 16, 2019, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and as shown herein below:

Reduced Performance Bond #5041537 for water in the amount of \$94,932.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$47,466.00. (15% of original bond).

Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$10,548.00 for water to be returned in full to the developer.

Reduced Performance Bond # 5041536 for sewer in the amount of \$137,376.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$68,688.00. (15% of original bond).

Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$ 15,264.00 for sewer 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 Block 17, Lots 3.06 & 3.08, Hidden Pond, 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-11-2019-282 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES UPON THE POSTING AND ACCEPTANCE OF A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR ROCKY BROOK, W&S 1129 PB-1041-07, BLOCK 1, LOTS 1.01, 3, & 6.03 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”).

WHEREAS, Pulte Homes of NJ, LP has posted a Performance Guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department (“M.T.U.D.”) for W&S, Blk.1, Lots 1.03, 3, & 6.03; and

WHEREAS, Pulte Homes of NJ, LP 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 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 October 16, 2019, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and as shown herein below:

Performance Bond #SU1131617 for water in the amount of \$196,560.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$29,484.00. (15% of original bond).

Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$21,840.00 for water to be returned in full to the developer.

Performance Bond #SU1131614 for sewer in the amount of \$182,520.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$27,378.00. (15% of original bond).

Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$20,280.00 for sewer to be returned in full to the developer.

Performance Bond #SU1131618 for off-site water in the amount of \$132,840.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$19,926.00. (15% of original bond).

Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$1,476.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

Performance Bond #SU1131615 for (easement) water in the amount of \$14,040.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$2,106.00. (15% of original bond).

Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$1,560.00 to be returned in full to the developer.

Performance Bond #SU1131616 for (easement) sewer in the amount of \$9,180.00 to be released and replaced with a maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$1,377.00. (15% of original bond).

Cash Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$1,020.00 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 Block 1, lots 1.01, 3 & 6.03, Rocky Brook, 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-11-2019-283 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR W&S 1172, 374 SCHOOLHOUSE RD. – BLOCK 62, LOT 6.06 POSTED WITH THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT (“M.T.U.D.”).

WHEREAS, Ravi Goomer has posted a cash guarantee with the Monroe Township Utility Department (“MTUD”) for Block 62, Lot 6.06; and

WHEREAS, Ravi Goomer has requested the release of the Cash Guarantee; and

WHEREAS, as defined in N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53 et seq., the M.T.U.D. 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 guarantee, as detailed in a letter dated October 16, 2019, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

Reduced Cash Performance guarantee in the amount of \$1,652.40 to be reduced to \$826.20 and held as a two-year cash maintenance guarantee (15% of original bond).

WHEREAS, the Monroe Township Council has reviewed and hereby approves the recommendation of the MTUD 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 Cash Guarantee posted for Block 62, Lot 6.06 be released as reflected above and within the letter annexed hereto. This approval for release of cash 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 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-11-2019-284 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO WATER WORKS SUPPLY CO. INC. FOR CONTRACT 490 "TRAILER MOUNTED VALVE MAINTENANCE APPARATUS" FOR THE MONROE TOWNSHIP UTILITY DEPARTMENT ("M.T.U.D."). (\$89,657)

WHEREAS, the M.T.U.D., in order to comply with the Water Quality Accountability Act, has determined the need for valve maintenance equipment; and

WHEREAS, on October 25, 2019 one (1) sealed bid was received, and publicly opened and read aloud, by the Monroe Township Utility Department for Contract 490, "Trailer Mounted Valve Maintenance Apparatus", required by the M.T.U.D.; and

WHEREAS, the M.T.U.D. Purchasing Agent, after discussion with the Water Superintendent and Director has recommended, in a letter dated October 25, 2019, that a contract to supply said equipment be awarded to Water Works Supply Co., Inc. of Pompton Plains NJ based on their bid in the amount of \$89,657.00, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, the Township Chief Municipal Finance Officer has certified availability of funds in Certificate No. M-190015 a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, Water Works Supply Co., Inc. has submitted all the required documents with their bid; and

WHEREAS, by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that it has rendered its advice and hereby consents to the award of a contract to Water Works Supply Co., Inc. for one Trailer Mounted Valve Maintenance Apparatus", for Monroe Township Utility Department; 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 one (1) year contract Water Works Supply Co., Inc. in accordance with their submitted bid;

(2) The Township Chief Municipal Finance Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay invoices for material delivered by Water Works Supply Co., Inc. in accordance with their bid;

(3) The contracts are awarded through the competitive bidding process as a fair and open contract in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law;

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

**R-11-2019-285 RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-10-2019-251
"AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS"
(Decrease of \$5.89)**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-10-2019-251 adopted by the Monroe Township Council at the October 7, 2019 regular meeting authorized the Tax Collector for the Township of Monroe to make refunds for tax overpayments in the amount of Two hundred thirty eight thousand eight hundred seventy-four dollars and thirty seven cents (\$238,874.37) 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 decreased by five dollars and eighty nine cents (\$5.89); and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-10-2019-251 must be amended to authorize the Tax Collector of the Township of Monroe to make refunds for tax overpayments in the amount of Two hundred thirty-eight thousand eight hundred sixty-eight dollars and forty-eight cents (\$238,868.48).

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-10-2019-251 is hereby amended to authorize the Tax Collector of the Township of Monroe to make refunds for tax overpayments in the amount of Two hundred thirty-eight thousand eight hundred sixty-eight dollars and forty-eight cents (\$238,868.48) as reflected in the attached Schedule A.

SO RESOLVED, as aforesaid.

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 Resolutions Duly Filed.

REPORTS:

Mayor's Report – Mayor Tamburro thanked Township Clerk Patricia Reid and her staff for their magnificent job on Election Day. He thanked everyone who participated in the election as well.

Reminded everyone that Monday is Veteran's Day and ceremonies will be held at the Municipal Building at 9:00am and at Veteran's Park at 9:45am.

Lastly, he wished a happy and peaceful Thanksgiving to all.

Administrator's Report – Administrator Weinberg noted that the audit is on the agenda and we have another clean audit which is great. He thanked the Finance Department for all of their hard work.

Several County Interlocal Services Agreements are on the agenda as well including shared services for recycling and utilizing the County Health Department.

Lastly, our Best Practices Inventory was approved; DLGS and DCA requires this to be done every year and we are proud to say we go well over the minimum required every year.

Engineer's Report – Engineer Rasimowicz reported that the County has completed their paving job on Jamesburg-Half Acre Road.

The Township Wide Concrete Improvement Project has been completed.

Noted that he met with several residents that reside on Matchaponix Road and Spotswood Gravel Hill Road who inquired about the traffic signal progress to which Engineer Rasimowicz explained that the process involves obtaining 10 parcels of land as they are needed in order to construct the traffic signal.

The Applegarth Road Park & Ride Project was started the 2nd week of October and was just completed last week. There are still few punch list items, as well as, lighting fixtures that need to be installed. The DPW has installed a temporary shelter while we wait for the arrival of the new one.

Councilman Dipierro –

- Congratulated the Mayor, Council President Dalina and Councilwoman Cohen on their election wins, as well as, the members of the Board of Education.
- In regards to the Park & Ride, has sent numerous emails to Administrator Weinberg and has not received any response yet so he is hoping that now the election is over he will get back into the swing of things and answer his emails. Engineer Rasimowicz stated that there are still a few punch list items to be taken care of. Councilman Dipierro stated that it would be nice to have someone respond to his emails.
- Questioned if the issues on Fernhead Avenue have been addressed as he has sent pictures; Engineer Rasimowicz answered that the contractor has been out a few times and have attempted to remedy the issue. He added that the contractor is supposed to mill and repave that area and they are also still under the Performance Bond.
- Councilman Dipierro reported that there is no Maintenance Bond on Parker House so he is assuming that the taxpayers will have to pick up that expense. He added that he would like to walk that area again. Engineer Rasimowicz responded that the site improvements are still under Maintenance Bond. Councilman Dipierro noted that he has been sending emails for over a year and a half and has received no response.
- Asked for the status of North State Home Road and Spotswood Englishtown Road, as he has provided pictures and has not received a response. Engineer Rasimowicz responded that the County was out today doing work in that area.
- Suggested that a pre-stop sign before the final stop sign go up at the intersection of Spotswood Gravel Hill Road and Matchaponix Avenue and cars continue to drive through the intersection without stopping. He reiterated the need for this again and asked for this to be looked into.
- Asked for the status of the left turn signal on Applegarth Road and Route 33; Engineer Rasimowicz answered that he attended a NJDOT meeting in Trenton to ask for the project to be expedited and he has since received notice that they are out there working on it.
- Attended the Community Garden's opening of their greenhouse. It was very nice to see the community and businesses contribute in making this possible.
- Attended the Veteran's Appreciation Luncheon which was a positive event. He thanked the donors and volunteers.

Council Vice-President Schneider –

- Congratulated the Mayor, Council President Dalina and Councilwoman Cohen on their victory on Election Day. Noted that she has been a part of many elections and campaigns and feels that this one was especially vicious, vile and dirty. Added that she is thankful the residents voted in the right people.
- Reported that the Commission on Aging has transported 560 seniors for medical appointments, 553 seniors for in town services and 373 seniors for out of town services.
- Attended an Eagle Scout Court of Honor where a shed was built near the bocce ball courts.
- The Thanksgiving luncheon at the Senior Center is scheduled for November 26th at a cost of \$5.00 donation and the Senior Center is looking for volunteers for that day. If interested please contact the Senior Center for more information.
- There is a plethora of new exercise classes at the Senior Center including yoga.
- The Monroe Township Chorus will present a "World of Song" on November 17th at the Richard P. Marasco Performing Arts Center. A \$10 donation is asked which will go to support the Monroe Township High School Scholarship Fund and the Veteran's Association.

Councilman Baskin -

- Congratulated the Mayor, Council President Dalina and Councilwoman Cohen.
- Applications for the 2020 gardening season at the Community Garden can be picked up at the municipal building or sent via email.
- Attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Community Garden's new greenhouse which was a very proud moment as it is amazing to see how successful it is.

Councilwoman Cohen –

- The Cultural Arts Juried Arts Show was a success.
- The Princeton Symphony will be at the Richard P. Marasco Performing Arts Center on Sunday; tickets will be available at the door.
- Thanked everyone for the congratulations on her reelection.

Council President Dalina –

- Commended all of the candidates for stepping up and running for election. He stated that we think back as to the reasons why we step up and run and that is what America is founded on so everyone should be very proud of that. Thanked everyone for coming out to vote, the poll workers and the Clerk's Office for all of their hard work.
- Mentioned that the Friends of the Library will be having their book sale this year.

- Veteran's Day services will be held at 9:00am at the municipal building and 9:45am at Veteran's Park.
- The Dine to Donate event for "Back the Blue" will be held on Thursday, November 14th at Baker's American Bar & Grill. A percentage will go to benefit the Police Unity Tour.

PUBLIC:

Gary Busman, 7 Monarch Rd. – Mr. Busman commented that in his opinion the election was an embarrassment. He stated his message was for the entire Township and all of the residents who are registered to vote. There was only a 28% voter turn out which is an embarrassment. He added that it is important to get out and take advantage of these grass roots efforts and challenges the community that when there is an election to get out and do the right thing and vote.

Mr. Busman praised Virgil Caputo and the staff of the Parks Department as they are all outstanding.

Prakash Parab, 33 Dayna Dr. – Congratulated all of the election winners and participants although he is disappointed that the turnout was low.

The Diwali Food Drive raised more than 3,500lbs of food which was donated to the local food pantry.

Invited the Mayor and Council to attend the celebration being held on November 9th.

Offered to send Volunteers for the Thanksgiving Day event at the Senior Center.

Mr. Parab questioned in regards to the building, over crowding and cap restrictions if there was a way to slow down the construction. Council President Dalina answered that these questions have been asked at numerous meetings and Mr. Parab is well aware as to what has been put into place to try and counterpart this situation. He further explained that this is a mandated requirement to build affordable housing and prior to that mandate there were no approvals. Administrator Weinberg added that what is being built now is Round 2 of the affordable housing settlement which was approved back in 1996 and includes the Stratford and Monroe Manor developments. Mr. Parab asked if anything can be done in regards to new applications coming in, such as not approving them because of the overcrowding issues. Council President Dalina answered that as part of the process the applicants go before the Planning Board and they have to listen to their plans and then base their decisions off of that.

Hy Grossman, 15 Doral Dr. – Mr. Grossman stated that if an application conforms to the existing plan then it is very difficult to say no to approving it. History has shown us that too many variances are given by the Planning Board and Zoning Board and this should be a point to be considered.

Mr. Grossman stated that now that it gets dark early, he has seen many people walking along the sides of the road in dark colored clothing making it very difficult for those driving to see them. He reminded those that walk to wear bright colored clothing or carry at the very least a flashlight with them so it is easier for those driving to see them.

Congratulated all of the winners of the election.

Council President Dalina asked Administrator Weinberg to put a slide on the website regarding the importance of wearing proper attire for those walking or running in the dark.

Frank Steinhauser, 19 Oliver St. – Mr. Steinhauser commented that we pay a lot of taxes in Monroe and we should coordinate with the County to provide better lighting in the Township. He mentioned that solar can be an option.

Rey Redington, 670 Windgate Ct. – Mr. Redington stated that he had a follow up question regarding the form of government of the Township. Mr. Redington proceeded to ask if the Council was allowed to speak to the press or if any members were under the stricture to not speak to the press. He asked if there was a reason as to why any questions he has posed to the Council was deferred to the Public Information Officer instead. Council President Dalina answered that questions are sometimes deferred to the Public Information Officer because they have a better understanding and are more readily available to answer questions that need an immediate answer. Mr. Redington asked Council President Dalina if he could address him independently to which Council President Dalina answered yes as he has spoken to the press before. Mr. Redington asked if Council President Dalina feels that he has the freedom to talk and asked if he knows why some Council Members opt not to talk to the press. Attorney Schaffer interjected and explained that the Council acts as a body so no single member can act on their own. She added that particular questions regarding their background or their general opinion on something needs to be done collaboratively as they act as a body. Council President Dalina responded that Mr. Redington's questions were leading and asking if he was making a statement. Mr. Redington asked if a Council Member can address a question.

Pritpal Singh, 9 Louise Ln. – Mr. Singh commented in regards to the overcrowding in the schools it was mentioned that applications would still be considered. He added that in the last 10 years the schools have been overcrowded and the Zoning Board seems to not understand that. Our taxes have gone up 80% above what they were when he first moved in and he is frustrated with the Council and Zoning Board. Council President Dalina responded that he recently spoke with a resident who had a complaint regarding their tax bill increasing and the questions about various items with how the government runs, as well as, questions regarding the Zoning Board and he suggested to meet with the appropriate professionals to have those questions answered.

UPON MOTION made by Councilwoman Cohen and seconded by Council Vice-President Schneider the Combined Agenda/Regular Meeting was Adjourned at 7:35pm.

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

Patricia Reid

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

Stephen Dalina

STEPHEN DALINA, Council President

Minutes were adopted on: December 10, 2019.