

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO.: O-1-2019-001

ORDINANCE OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AMENDING CHAPTER 3 ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT”
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Chapter 3 of the Code of the Township of Monroe entitled “Administration of Government” Article II “Council” shall be amended; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey;

SECTION 1. The Code of the Township of Monroe is hereby amended as follows: § 3-4, § 3-5, § 3-6 and § 3-7 shall be repealed in their entirety and replaced with the following:

§ 3-4. Council meetings.

- A. The Reorganization Meeting of the Township Council is held annually at the beginning of the Governing Body’s operational year on January 1, at 12:00 noon, or at some other hour on any day during the first week in January. The purpose of the reorganization meeting is to adopt the annual meeting calendar, establish depositories for municipal funds, designate the official newspapers and any other business which may come before council for the startup of the new operational year. Following each Municipal Election, newly elected officials are also appointed and officially sworn in.
- B. The annual meeting schedule of the Monroe Township Council shall be set by resolution and adopted at the annual reorganization meeting setting forth the type of meeting and date and time of each meeting for the current year.
- C. Agenda Meetings – held monthly for the purpose of reviewing the agenda.
- D. Regular Meetings – held monthly for council action on Township resolutions and ordinances and any other business which may come before Council.
- E. Combined Agenda/Regular Meetings – when a combined meeting is held as set forth on the annual meeting schedule, the meeting shall begin with the agenda meeting and the regular meeting shall immediately follow.
- F. All meetings of the Township Council shall be open to the public and shall be held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

§ 3-5. Special meetings.

- A. Should the need arise for a Special Meeting to be held that does not appear on the annual meeting schedule, the Mayor or the President of the Council may, and upon written request of any two (2) of the members of the Council, shall call a special meeting of the Council. The request and call for such special meeting shall specify the purpose, date, time and location of the meeting.
- B. The call for a special meeting shall be filed with the Township Clerk and transmitted to two (2) newspapers 48 hours prior to the meeting. The Clerk shall give notice of special meeting to each Councilperson by telephone, email or personal notice to their residence. All special meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

3-6. Place of meetings.

All public meetings of the Township Council shall be held at the Monroe Township Municipal Building, One Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, New Jersey, unless otherwise stated on the annual meeting notice. In the event of an emergency and the meeting cannot be held at the specified location, the Council may meet in or adjourn the meeting to any other public building. Any meeting of the Council may be adjourned to a time and place designated by the Council. The public shall be given such reasonable notice as the circumstances may permit.

§ 3-7. Reserved.

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 upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

SO ORDAINED, as aforesaid.



STEPHEN DALINA, Council President

RECORDED VOTE – INTRODUCTION – January 14, 2019						
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Baskin			X			
Councilwoman Cohen	X		X			
Councilman Dipierro		X	X			
Council V. President Schneider			X			
Council President Dalina						X

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Monroe Township Council held on January 14, 2019. Said Ordinance will again be read and considered for final passage at the next scheduled meeting of the Monroe Township Council to be held on February 4, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Monroe Township Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, New Jersey 08831. At said time and place all persons having an interest in the foregoing Ordinance will be granted an opportunity to be heard concerning the same prior to consideration for final passage by the Council.



PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

RECORDED VOTE – SECOND READING & FINAL ADOPTION – February 4, 2019						
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Baskin						X
Councilwoman Cohen			X			
Councilman Dipierro		X	X			
Council V. President Schneider	X		X			
Council President Dalina			X			

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REPEALING CHAPTER 3 ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT"
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MAYORAL APPROVAL

By virtue of the Optional Municipal Charter Law of 1950 and Chapter 3, Section 19 of the Code of the Township of Monroe, my approval of this Ordinance is effected by the affixing of my signature hereto.



GERALD W. TAMBURRO, Mayor

Date signed: 2/5/19