#### A.) **OPENING CERMONIES**

The Reorganization Meeting of the Council of the Township of Monroe was called to order by **Township Clerk, Susan McCormick** at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex as 125 Virginia Avenue, Williamstown, New Jersey.

This meeting was advertised pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 thru 10:4-21). Notices were placed in the official publications for Monroe Township (i.e: Gloucester County Times, the Courier Post and the Sentinel of Gloucester County). A copy of that notice was posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Complex.

#### SALUTE TO FLAG AND INVOCATION

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** lead the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag and **Deacon Mike McDonaugh** of **Our Lady of Peace Parish** offered the Invocation.

Township Clerk, Susan McCormick welcomed everyone to the 2012 Reorganization Meeting.

#### **ROLL CALL OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS**

Cncl. Bryson Cncl. Caligiuri Cncl. Dilks Cncl. DiLucia Cncl. Garbowski Cncl. Sebastian Cncl. Teefy Mayor Gabbianelli Solicitor Fiore Clerk, Susan McCormick Deputy Clerk, Sharon Wright

#### B.) PRESENTATION OUTGOING COUNCIL PRESIDENT

**Outgoing Cncl. Pres., Marvin Dilks** presented flowers to the Clerk and members of her staff in recognition of the work they did during his tenure as Council President. On behalf of the Clerk's Office **Township Clerk, Susan McCormick** extended appreciation to Cncl. Marvin Dilks for the recognition and noted it has been a pleasure working with the current members of Council over the last several years.

#### C.) NOMINATION & ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to open nominations for President of Council. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **Cncl. Frank Caligiuri** as President of Council. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski.** 

With no one else wishing to make a nomination **Cncl. Rich DiLucia** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marvin Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council

### ROLL CALL VOTE ON NOMINATION OF FRANK CALIGIURI AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT - <u>6 AYES, 1 ABSTAIN (Caligiuri)</u>

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstain, 0 Absent. Cncl. Frank Caligiuri was duly approved as Council President.

Township Clerk, Susan McCormick administered the oath of office to Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri while his wife Elaine held the Bible.

Outgoing **Cncl. Pres., Marvin Dilks** presented **Council President, Frank Caligiuri** with the gavel Mary Mazza Duffy donated in 2001 to all future Council Presidents.

#### D.) NOMINATION & ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to open nominations for Council Vice-President. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **Cncl. Daniel Teefy** as Council Vice-President. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Marvin Dilks**.

With no one else wishing to make a nomination **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations for Council Vice-President. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE NOMINATION OF DANIEL TEEFY AS COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT - <u>6 AYES, 1 ABSTAIN (Teefy)</u>

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstain, 0 Absent. Cncl. Daniel Teefy was duly approved as Council Vice-President.

At this time **Mayor Michael Gabbianelli** administered the Oath of Office to **Cncl. Vice-Pres., Daniel Teefy** while his wife, **Linda** held the Bible.

#### E.) GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to open the General Public Discussion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council. With no one wishing to speak **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close the General Public Discussion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Daniel Teefy** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### F.) MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS

Whereas, the Mayor of the Township of Monroe pursuant to his authority shall record the following appointments:

Director's (Adv	ice & Consent of Council)
Director of Code Enforcement	George Reitz
Director of Finance	Jeff Coles
Director of Law	Charles Fiore
Director of Public Safety	Jim Smart
Director of Community Affairs	No Appointment Made
Director of Public Works	Bob Avis
Director of Real Estate	Charles Abel
Public Defender	Timothy Scaffidi
Prosecutor	Charles Fiore (temporary appointment)
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#### **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

Library Board	Joan Betterly	5 year term	12/31/16
Parks & Recreation (Advice & Consent of Council)	Cody Miller	5 year term	12/31/16

#### BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS (cont'd)

Planning Board - Class II Class IV Class IV	Dan Kozak Larry Cooper Cornelius "Obie" O'Brien	1 year term Unexpired 4 year term	12/31/14
Senior Commission	Mary Chiodo	3 year term	12/31/14

**Mayor Gabbianelli** noted there are openings on various boards and commissions and residents interested in serving should contact his office.

**Cncl. William Sebastian** made a motion to accept the Mayor's appointments. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### F.) PUBLIC PORTION - RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED

**Cncl. Marvin Dilks** made a motion to open the Public Portion-Resolutions Scheduled. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council. With no one wishing to speak **Cncl. Walter Bryson** made a motion to close the Public Portion-Resolutions Scheduled. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to bracket Resolutions R:01-2012 thru R:09-2012. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Daniel Teefy** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS R:01-2012 THRU R:09-2012

**R:01-2012** Resolution Adopting Temporary Budget Appropriations For The Year 2012 For The Township Of Monroe

**R:02-2012** Resolution Authorizing Interlocal Services Participation Between The Township Of Monroe And The County Of Gloucester, For Cooperative Purchasing For The Year 2012

**R:03-2012** Resolution Authorizing Contracts With Certain Approved State Contract Vendors For Contracting Units Pursuant To *N.J.S.A.* 40A:11-12a

R:04-2012 Township Of Monroe Cash Management Plan

**R:05-2012** Resolution To Establish A Petty Cash Account For The Township Of Monroe In Gloucester County For The Year 2012 "Various Departments"

**R:06-2012** Resolution Authorizing The Chief Financial Officer To Refund Certain Escrow Balances And Various Other Revenues On Deposit With The Township Of Monroe For The Year 2012

**R:07-2012** Resolution Authorizing The Tax Collector To Include Municipal Liens From Various Departments Of The Township Of Monroe In The Annual Tax Sale

**R:08-2012** Resolution Designating Official Publications Of The Township Of Monroe, Gloucester County

**R:09-2012** Resolution Authorizing Use Of U.S. Government General Services Administration Supply Schedules For Reprographic Equipment Or Services Pursuant To *N.J.S.A.* 40*A*:11-12*b* And *N.J.A.C.* 5:34-9.6

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to approve Resolutions R:01-2012 thru R:09-2012. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### F.) **PUBLIC PORTION - RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED** (cont'd)

R:10-2012 Resolution Appointing Member To The Monroe Township Board Of Health

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** made a motion to open nominations for a member to the Monroe Township Board of Health. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri** nominated **Andrea Simone** as a member to the Monroe Township Board of Health. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson**.

With no other nominations **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

# ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF ANDREA SIMONE AS A MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH - <u>ALL AYES</u>

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Andrea Simone was duly appointed to the Monroe Township Board of Health

**R:11-2012** Resolution Appointing Alternate Member To The Monroe Township Board Of Health

**Cncl. William Sebastian** made a motion to open nominations for a member to the Monroe Township Board of Health. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Marvin Dilks** nominated **John Fitzgerald** as a member to the Monroe Township Board of Health. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri.** 

With no other nominations **Cncl. Marvin Dilks** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF JOHN FITZGERALD AS A MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH - <u>ALL AYES</u>

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. John Fitzgerald was duly appointed to the Monroe Township Board of Health

**R:12-2012** Resolution Appointing Member To The Monroe Township Economic Development Commission

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** made a motion to open nominations for a member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marvin Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **John Robinson** as a member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski.** 

**Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri** nominated **Jared Valdez** as a member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl.** William Sebastian.

**Cncl. Rich DiLucia** nominated **Christine Feggans** as a member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Daniel Teefy**.

With no other nominations **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

### F.) <u>PUBLIC PORTION - RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED</u> (cont'd)

# ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF JOHN ROBINSON AS A MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION <u>ALL AYES</u>

**Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. John Robinson** was duly appointed to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission

**R:13-2012** Resolution Appointing Member To The Monroe Township Economic Development Commission (Unexpired Term)

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to open nominations for a member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission for the unexpired term. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marvin Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **Jared Valdez** as a member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission for the unexpired term. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski**.

**Cncl. Rich DiLucia** nominated **M. Stalba** as a member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri.** 

With no other nominations **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Daniel Teefy** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF JARED VALDEZ AS A MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM - <u>ALL AYES</u>

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Jared Valdez was duly appointed to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission for the unexpired term.

**R:14-2012** Resolution Appointing Member To The Monroe Township Open Space Advisory Committee

**Cncl. William Sebastian** made a motion to open nominations for a member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **John Daraklis** as a member to the Monroe Township Open Space Advisory Committee. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian**.

With no other nominations **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Rich DiLucia** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF JOHN DARAKLIS AS A MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE <u>ALL AYES</u>

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. John Daraklis was duly appointed to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission

**R:15-2012** Resolution Appointing Member To The Monroe Township Open Space Advisory Committee

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** made a motion to open nominations for a member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marvin Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Cncl. Marvin Dilks nominated Shawn Massey as a member to the Monroe Township Open Space Advisory Committee. The nomination was seconded by Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri.

#### F.) <u>PUBLIC PORTION - RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED</u> (cont'd)

With no other nominations **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF SHAWN MASSEY AS A MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE <u>ALL AYES</u>

**Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Shawn Massey** was duly appointed to the Monroe Township Open Space Advisory Committee.

**R:16-2012** Resolution Appointing Alternate # 2 Member To The Monroe Township Open Space Advisory Committee

**Cncl. William Sebastian** made a motion to open nominations for an Alternate # 2 member to the Monroe Township Open Space Advisory Committee. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

At this time Council had no nomination for an Alternate # 2 member to the Monroe Township Open Space Advisory Committee.

With no nominations **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**R:17-2012** Resolution Appointing Member Of Council To The Monroe Township Planning Board (*Class III*)

**Cncl. Marvin Dilks** made a motion to open nominations for a Class III member to the Monroe Township Planning Board. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **Frank Caligiuri** as a Class III member to the Monroe Township Planning board. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski**.

With no other nominations **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF FRANK CALIGIURI AS A CLASS III MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD <u>6 AYES, 1 ABSTAIN (Caligiuri)</u>

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstain, 0 Absent. Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri was duly appointed as the Class III member to the Monroe Township Planning Board

**R:18-2012** Resolution Appointing Member To The Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to open nominations for a member to the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Cncl. Walter Bryson nominated Brent Salvadori as a member to the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment. The nomination was seconded by Cncl. Ronald Garbowski.

With no other nominations **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF BRENT SALVADORI AS A MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT <u>ALL AYES</u>

#### F.) <u>PUBLIC PORTION - RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED</u> (cont'd)

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Brent Salvadori was duly appointed to the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment.

R:19-2012 Resolution Appointing Member To The Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment

**Cncl. Marvin Dilks** made a motion to open nominations for a member to the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Cncl. Marvin Dilks nominated William McLaughlin as a member to the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment. The nomination was seconded by Cncl. Ronald Garbowski.

With no other nominations **Cncl. William Sebastian** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF WILLIAM McLAUGHLIN AS A MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT <u>ALL AYES</u>

**Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. William McLaughlin** was duly appointed to the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Admustment.

**R:20-2012** Resolution Appointing An Alternate #2 Member To The Monroe Township Zoning Board Of Adjustment

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to open nominations for an Alternate # 2 member to the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **Dan Kozak** as an Alternate # 2 member to the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian**.

With no other nominations **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marvin Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF DAN KOZAK AS AN ALTERNATE # 2 MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT - <u>ALL AYES</u>

**Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Dan Kozak** was duly appointed as an Alternate # 2 member to the Monroe Township Zoning Board of Adjustment.

**R:21-2012** Resolution Appointing Member To Monroe Township Municipal Utilities Authority

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to open nominations for a member to the Monroe Township Municipal Utilities Authority. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Walter Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **Henry Calloway** as a member to the Monroe Township Municipal Utilities Authority. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski**.

With no other nominations **Cncl. William Sebastian** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Rich DiLucia** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF HENRY CALLOWAY AS A MEMBER OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY <u>ALL AYES</u>

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#### F.) <u>PUBLIC PORTION - RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED</u> (cont'd)

**Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Henry Calloway** was duly appointed to the Monroe Township Municipal Utilities Authority.

**R:22-2012** Resolution Authorizing The Township Of Monroe To Enter Into A Contract With The Auditor Of The Township Of Monroe For The Year 2012

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to open nominations for an Auditor for the Monroe Township for the year 2012. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri** nominated **Nick Petroni** as the Auditor for the Township of Monroe for the year 2012.. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Marvin Dilks**.

With no other nominations **Cncl. Marvin Dilks** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF NICK PETRONI AS AUDITOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE FOR THE YEAR 2012 - <u>ALL AYES</u>

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Nick Petroni was duly appointed as Auditor for the year 2012.

**R:23-2012** Resolution Appointing Members To The Ordinance Committee And Naming Chairperson For The Year 2012

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** made a motion to open nominations for members to the Monroe Township Ordinance Committee and Chairperson for the year 2012. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **William Sebastian** as Chairman of the Monroe Township Ordinance Committee. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski**.

**Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri** had no nomination but requested that the motion include all members of Council to the Ordinance Committee and Cncl. Sebastian as Chairperson. **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** seconded the motion.

With no other nominations **Cncl. Marvin Dilks** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF CNCL. WILLIAM SEBASTIAN AS CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AS MEMBERS TO THE MONROE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE COMMITTEE - <u>6 AYES, 1 ABSTAIN (Sebastian)</u>

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstain, 0 Absent. Cncl. William Sebastian was duly approved as Chairperson and Council members were duly approved as members to the Monroe Township Ordinance Committee.

**R:24-2012** Resolution Appointing Fund Commissioner For The Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to open nominations for a Fund Commissioner for the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **Kevin Heydel** as Fund Commissioner for the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski**.

#### F.) <u>PUBLIC PORTION - RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED</u> (cont'd)

With no other nominations **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. William Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF KEVIN HEYDEL AS THE FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE GLOUCESTER, SALEM, CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND - <u>ALL AYES</u>

**Tally:** 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Kevin Heydel was duly approved as the Fund Commissioner for the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

**R:25-2012** Resolution Authorizing The Execution Of A Contract For A Temporary Prosecutor Of The Municipal Court Of The Township Of Monroe Commencing January 1, 2012

**Cncl. William Sebastian** made a motion to approve Resolution R:25-2012. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marvin Dilks.** 

### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION R:25-2012 - ALL AYES

**Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.** Resolution R:25-2012 was duly approved for adoption.

**R:26-2012** Risk Management Consultant Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

**Cncl. William Sebastian** made a motion to open nominations for a Risk Management Consultant for the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** nominated **Phil Price** as Risk Management Consultant for the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund. The nomination was seconded by **Cncl. Marvin Dilks**.

With no other nominations **Cncl. Marvin Dilks** made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Rich DiLucia** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE NOMINATION OF PHIL PRICE AS RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT FOR THE GLOUCESTER, SALEM, CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND - <u>ALL AYES</u>

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Phil Price was duly approved as Risk Management Consultant for the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

### G.) COUNCIL PRESIDENT LIAISON APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

Board of Health

Economic Development

Environmental

Historical Society

JIF Safety Committee

Cncl. Marvin Dilks

Cncl. Ronald Garbowski

Cncl. Frank Caligiuri

Cncl. Walter Bryson

Cncl. Richard DiLucia

## G.) COUNCIL PRESIDENT LIAISON APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

Library Board

Local Emergency Planning

Municipal Alliance

MMUA

**Open Space Advisory** 

Parks & Recreation

Planning Board

Redevelopment Committee

School Board

Senior Commission

Zoning Board

United Veterans

Cncl. Ronald Garbowski Cncl. Daniel Teefy Cncl. Walter Bryson Cncl. Marvin Dilks Cncl. William Sebastian

Cncl. Daniel Teefy

Cncl. Frank Caligiuri

Cncl. Frank Caligiuri

Cncl. Richard DiLucia

Cncl. Marvin Dilks

Cncl. William Sebastian

Cncl. William Sebastian

#### H.) COUNCIL PRESIDENT APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES

Administration

**Community Affairs** 

Education/ School Budget

Finance

Law/Tax Abatement

Municipal Budget Review

Public Safety

Public Works

Cncl. Marvin Dilks Cncl. Daniel Teefy Cncl. Ronald Garbowski

Cncl. Daniel Teefy Cncl. Frank Caligiuri Cncl. William Sebastian

Cncl. Ronald Garbowski Cncl. Daniel Teefy Cncl. William Sebastian

Cncl. Richard DiLucia Cncl. Walter Bryson Cncl. Marvin Dilks

Cncl. William Sebastian Cncl. Ronald Garbowski Cncl. Frank Caligiuri

Cncl. Frank Caligiuri Cncl. Walter Bryson Cncl. Marvin Dilks

Cncl. William Sebastian Cncl. Richard DiLucia Cncl. Walter Bryson

Cncl. Walter Bryson Cncl. Marvin Dilks Cncl. Richard DiLucia

#### H.) COUNCIL PRESIDENT APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES

Redevelopment Planning/COAH

Cncl. Frank Caligiuri Cncl. Marvin Dilks Cncl. Ronald Garbowski

#### I.) MAYOR'S REPORT

**Mayor Michael Gabbianelli** welcomed Senator Madden, Assemblywoman Gabby Mosquera and Freeholder Heather Simmons and expressed his appreciation for their attendance at the Reorganization Meeting. He then went on to give the following state of the municipality address.

Each New Year brings optimism and celebration. It brings opportunity and challenges. It brings a fondness for the past and new resolutions for the future and of course, each New Year brings my State of the Municipality Address. Therefore, members of council, department heads, township employees, fellow residents, neighbors and friends it is my honor and privilege to tell you today that the state of Monroe is strong. Our future is bright and though we will face great challenges in the New Year, we will meet them head-on. Monroe continues to rise above the economic challenges that have decimated other communities. As a community, we continue to honor our veterans through our traditional Memorial Day parade. Through donations and other funding mechanisms, we were able to sponsor a music festival and continue with our annual community events. Our Parks and Recreation Department continues to provide first rate recreation opportunities for our families and children. Our Community Affairs Department continues to provide our seniors with programs and transportation services. We continue with our township food pantry, to feed those that are less fortunate then ourselves. And, we continue to provide top quality police, fire and ambulance services. While I recognize that at times we have struggled, our Township continues to provide quality of life services such as leaf pick-up, bulk trash pick-up, commingled recycling, snow removal and other services our residents have come to expect. We have done all of this while avoiding layoffs and massive tax hikes. We accomplished these goals by planning for the future and fighting for today. While other communities were reactionary, we were proactive in budgeting and financial forecasting. Our core values of proving fiscal responsibility while protecting our quality of life for our residents will continue to be the driving force of this administration. We will continue to strive for excellence whether it is in how we deliver service, the facilities we provide our residents or the protection of our future. This is not an easy challenge and in 2012, we will be forced to show resolve and commitment to these goals. All of the spinning in the world will not change the fact that our Township's revenues are down and our costs continue to rise. The economic downturn continues to put negative pressure on our tax collections and receivables. Therefore, again, we are going to need to roll up our sleeves to provide a fair, responsible budget. A budget based on needs - not wants. A budget based on principals and priorities and not a wish list. A budget that provides our employees and volunteers with the tools to get the job done. We have met this challenge before and together we will meet it again. As we prepare to meet these challenges, let's also enjoy the excitement. There is a lot to be proud of in 2012. Our plans to invigorate the south end of the pike are finally going to come to fruition. Wal-Mart is bringing all that was promised and all that we hoped. Soon, it will be joined by a national restaurant chain which will open across the street on the Black Horse Pike. The developer for the property across from the CVS will be in front of the planning board this spring with a 375,000 square foot retail center. This is an exciting time for Monroe. Many doubted our ability to develop the Black Horse Pike, but we have proven them wrong. Thanks to the diligent efforts of this council and our redevelopment committee, we are implementing a well thought out, smart, aggressive redevelopment plan. Together, we have celebrated, we have debated and we have compromised. All of you believe in the principal of residents first, and I applaud you for that. Together, we have mourned. This Council lost a very good friend, my administration lost a great teammate and the Township's needy lost one of their biggest advocates. Together, we have been given the responsibility to continue to move our Township ahead. I am proud and honored to have the chance to do it with you. So, everyone, I hope this New Year is full of happiness and peace. Thank you, now let's get to work.

The Mayor added during these tough economic times the township needs to tighten its belt but also needs to provide necessities, such as fire trucks for public safety.

#### J.) <u>COUNCIL COMMENTS</u>

**Cncl. Daniel Teefy** noted during the last few years the township has cut back on staffing through attrition and is trying to stay away from layoffs. Last year the issue of layoffs was raised but that caused a battle between the administration and council, as no one wants layoffs. Cncl. Teefy expressed his appreciation to the township employees for doing a tremendous job keeping the township running with a lot less. Council and the Administration have done the best they can to provide a budget that works for both the employees and the taxpayers. He also expressed his appreciation to Council for electing him Council Vice-President, as it is an honor and pleasure to serve in this, his eleventh year on council. He also extended his appreciation to his wife and family for supporting him over the years. He noted he is thankful that the residents of the township elected him and that he is trying to the best job he can for them.

**Cncl. William Sebastian** extended his appreciation to Cncl. Marvin Dilks for doing a wonderful job as Council President last year and noted he knows Cncl. Frank Caligiuri will do a wonderful job this year. Cncl. Sebastian extended his appreciation to Council for appointing him Ordinance Committee chairman; noting he looks forward to serving in that position for another year. He also thanked the employees of the township for stepping up to the plate and handling situations with less this past year. He noted they did an outstanding job and no matter who you go to an immediate answer is given or if the needed information is unavailable they will get back to you as soon as possible. Cncl. Sebastian expressed best wishes to everyone for a Happy New Year.

**Cncl. Ronald Garbowski** also thanked township employees, who have worked shorthanded and with much less during the last year. He noted there were a few trials and tribulations last year and they did a fantastic job and showed what they can do. He noted the township has an excellent group on council as well as an excellent mayor and he urged them to continue the progress in 2012.

**Cncl. Rich DiLucia** noted 2011 was a very difficult year for many residents. Many were unemployed or underemployed for the first time in their life and seniors living on fixed incomes did not receive cost of living increases for the last two years while prices were going up, not down. This year seniors will be receiving a 3.6% increase in their Social Security and hopefully 2012 will provide full employment for everyone. Cncl. DiLucia noted the Mayor said the township's efforts were and will continue to be sensitive towards taxes and that we will try to find a balance in the services provided to our residents and the cost for those services and Council will work hard to make sure that happens. Cncl. DiLucia extended best wishes to Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri, Vice-Pres., Teefy and Ordinance Chairman Cncl. Sebastian and pledged his cooperation to work together with them for the people they were elected to represent. He also extended his appreciation to the Clerk and her staff for making his job much easier and extended best wishes to everyone for a happy, healthy New Year.

**Cncl. Marvin Dilks** extended best wishes and offered his full support to Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri, Cncl. Vice-Pres. Teefy and Ordinance Chairman, Cncl. Sebastian; noting he is looking forward to working with Council and the Mayor in 2012. He also extended New Year wishes to everyone.

**Cncl. Walter Bryson** also offered his support during the year to Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri, Vice-Pres., Teefy and Ordinance Chairman, Sebastian. Noting he is looking forward to working with them to bring more economic development to the township in order to keep taxes stable and maybe even lower if possible. He noted he wants to continue to be a conduit to local government as well as the County and State governments for the citizens he represents. Hopefully, there will be a turning point and this Country will have better economic times that will give people employment opportunities and better living conditions.

**Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri** recognized dignitaries Assemblywoman Gabriel Mosquera, State Senator Fred Madden and Freeholder Heather Simmons and noted their attendance means a lot to the Mayor and Council because it says Monroe Township is important and worthy of their support. He noted as we move into 2012 there will be unique challenges that many elected

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS (cont'd) J.)

officials have yet to face, as there is a sluggish economy in an election year. He spoke of changes in the way elections are conducted, of candidates placing blame on each other while at the same time blocking each other from accomplishing things. He noted that does not happen as much on the local level but unfortunately it does happen and we will be encountering it. Cncl. Caligiuri commended his colleagues noting Cncl. Garbowski and his wife raised funds to construct a concession stand at the Duffy Center, Cncl. Sebastian has been active as an EMT, Cncl. Teefy coaches and volunteers for Project Graduation, Cncl. Dilks has used his own personal resources to level the park fields when the township had no money to do so, Cncl. Bryson and Cncl. DiLucia are active in their churches and their respective communities and he is active with the lake associations and the 4-H. He noted this is an incredibly dedicated group of people working together and when they became incumbents they developed the ability to ask questions of the professionals and the courage to make tough decisions that sometimes involve disagreeing, which newcomers in office do not have the courage to do. He recognized the fact that experience has helped Council a great deal and will help in 2012 as well. He noted he expects a lot of rhetoric this year and half truths to be tossed around, as the public likes to believe elected officials are not good people. The truth of the matter is the folks here have gone over the edge to do what they can. He added rhetoric is designed to be convincing but he always tells people to believe what they see with their own two eyes. He urged residents to drive to Malaga Road and the Black Horse Pike if they are not sure whether our elected officials He noted another shopping center, kept their election promises for economic development. Williamstown Square, which will be located across from the old Acme shopping center, is in the process and that took a lot of creativity to make that happen. Those commercial areas will seed a desire for other developers to locate shopping centers as close to them as possible and those rateables will definitely keep the promise to stabilize property taxes. He urged residents to believe what they see with their own eyes and to know that the promises made by the elected officials when they were originally elected are in the process of being kept and are moving forward. Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri extended his appreciation to the residents for giving him the privilege to represent them and especially for the privilege of serving as Council President with the people he is serving with. He added this is an incredible group of people that he has come to know during his eight years as a councilmember.

#### K) **ADJOURNMENT**

Cncl. Ronald Garbowski made a motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting of January 3, 2012. The motion was seconded by Cncl. Walter Bryson and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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Susan McCormick, RMC **Township** Clerk

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**Presiding Officer** 

These minutes were prepared from excerpts of the tape-recorded proceedings of the Reorganization Meeting of January 3, 2012 and serve as only a synopsis of the proceedings. The official tape may be heard in the Office of the Township Clerk upon proper notification pursuant to the Open Public Records Law.

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