

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
APRIL 14, 2014

A.) OPENING CEREMONIES

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Council Meeting of the Township of Monroe was called to order at approximately 8:00 PM by **Cncl. Pres., Ronald Garbowski** in the Court Room of the Municipal Complex located at 125 Virginia Avenue, Williamstown, New Jersey.

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

Cncl. Pres., Garbowski stated the Clerk has placed a sign-in sheet at the rear of the Court Room. If anyone would like to address Council during the Public Portion, please sign in and you will be asked to come forward to the microphone. Kindly state your name for the record.

SALUTE TO FLAG - INVOCATION

Cncl. Teefy led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag and **Pastor Doug Spencer** of Williamstown First United Methodist Church offered the Invocation.

ROLL CALL OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

Cncl. Walter Bryson	Present
Cncl. Frank Caligiuri	Present
Cncl. Marvin Dilks	Present
Cncl. Rich DiLucia	Present
Cncl. William Sebastian	Present
Cncl. Daniel Teefy	Present
Cncl. Pres., Ronald Garbowski	Present
Mayor Michael Gabbianelli	Present
Solicitor, Charles Fiore	Present
Business Adm., Kevin Heydel	Present
Engineer, Dave Cella	Present
Dir. Finance, Jeff Coles	Present
Dir. Of Code Enforcement, George Reitz	Present
Dir. Of Public Safety, Jim Smart	Present
Dir. Of Public Works, Bob Avis	Present
Township Clerk, Susan McCormick	Present

PRESENTATION - None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Cncl. DiLucia made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted of the Work Session and Regular Council Meeting of March 24, 2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Sebastian** and approved by all members of Council with the exception of **Cncl. Dilks** who **Abstained**.

B.) CORRESPONDENCE

- **Limousine License - An Affair To Remember Limousines**

Cncl. Teefy made a motion to approve a Limousine License for An Affair To Remember Limousines. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

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At 8:05 PM Cncl. Pres., Garbowski indicated Council would deviate from the agenda as the next matter listed was the Public Hearing for the 2014 Municipal Budget and that was not scheduled to be held until 8:15 PM. Cncl. Pres., Garbowski noted at this time Council would address the ordinances listed on the agenda and he turned the meeting over to Ordinance Committee Chairman, Cncl. Sebastian.

D.) ORDINANCES

Cncl. Pres., Garbowski made a motion to open the Public Hearing for Ordinance O:07-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council. With no one wishing to speak **Cncl. Bryson** made a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. DiLucia** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

O:07-2014 An Ordinance To Amend Sections 175-89.1 Of The Zoning Ordinance Of The Township Of Monroe To Provide Development Fees

Second Reading: The above ordinance was published in an official publication for the Township of Monroe. This portion was opened to the public.

Cncl. DiLucia made a motion to approve Ordinance O:07-2014 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Bryson**.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:07-2014 - ALL AYES

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Ordinance O:07-2014 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:08-2014 Bond Ordinance Authorizing The Acquisition Of Various Pieces Of Equipment And Completion Of Various Capital Improvements In And For The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester, New Jersey; Appropriating The Sum Of \$755,000 Therefor; Authorizing The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds Or Bond Anticipation Notes Of The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester, New Jersey, In The Aggregate Principal Amount Of Up To \$717,250; Making Certain Determinations And Covenants; And Authorizing Certain Related Actions In Connection With The Foregoing

First Reading: A copy of this ordinance was posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Complex. Additional copies were made available to the public.

Cncl. Pres., Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:08-2014 for First Reading and Publication. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

O:09-2014 An Ordinance Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe To Amend Chapter 252 Of The Code Of The Township Of Monroe, Entitled "Taxation"

First Reading: A copy of this ordinance was posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Complex. Additional copies were made available to the public.

Cncl. Bryson made a motion to approve Ordinance O:09-2014 for First Reading and Publication. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

O:10-2014 An Ordinance Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe To Amend Chapter 272 Of The Code Of The Township Of Monroe, Entitled "Water"

First Reading: A copy of this ordinance was posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Complex. Additional copies were made available to the public.

Cncl. Dilks made a motion to approve Ordinance O:10-2014 for First Reading and Publication. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Caligiuri** and approved by all members of Council with the exception of **Cncl. Bryson** who **Abstained**.

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C.) RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED - PUBLIC PORTION

Solicitor Fiore explained Resolutions R:76-2014 through R:86:2014 would be addressed at this time and Resolutions R:60A-2014 and R:60B-2014 would be addressed after the Public Hearing on the budget was held at 8:15 PM.

Cncl. Sebastian made a motion to open the Resolutions Scheduled - Public Portion for Resolutions R:76-2014 through R:86-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council. With no one wishing to speak **Cncl. Dilks** made a motion to close the Resolutions Scheduled - Public Portion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. DiLucia** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:76-2014 Resolution Requesting Approval Of Items Of Revenue And Appropriation N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (Safe & Secure Program) *(After the meeting it was found resolution number R:76-2014 had previously been used for a resolution adopted at the March 24, 2014 Council Meeting. To correct the duplication of numbers this resolution was changed to number R:87-2014)*

Cncl. Sebastian made a motion to approve Resolution R:76-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:77-2014 Resolution Requesting Approval Of Items Of Revenue And Appropriation N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (Sustainable Jersey)

Cncl. Caligiuri made a motion to approve Resolution R:77-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. DiLucia** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:78-2014 Resolution Requesting Approval Of Items Of Revenue And Appropriation N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (JIF - Safety Incentive Programs)

Cncl. Dilks made a motion to approve Resolution R:78-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:79-2014 Resolution Authorizing The Premium Monies Of \$6,200.00 To Be Placed In The General Fund From The Sale Of Tax Sale Certificate Nos. 08-00045, 08-00053 And 08-00102

Cncl. DiLucia made a motion to approve Resolution R:79-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:80-2014 Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester, State Of New Jersey Calling On The Legislature To Make Permanent The 2% Cap On Interest Arbitration Awards **REMOVED FROM AGENDA**

R:81-2014 Resolution Approving The Bill List For The Council Meeting Of April 14, 2014

Cncl. DiLucia made a motion to approve Resolution R:81-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Bryson** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:82-2014 Resolution Approving The 2014-2015 Gloucester County Community Development Block Grant Project Application For Roadway Improvements Along Winslow Road Between Williamstown-New Brooklyn Road (CR 536) And Walnut Street In The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester, State Of New Jersey

Cncl. Bryson made a motion to approve Resolution R:82-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:83-2014 Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe To Affirm The Township Of Monroe's Civil Rights Policy With Respect To All Officials, Appointees, Employees, Prospective Employees, Volunteers, Independent Contractors, And Members Of The Public That Come Into Contact With Municipal Employees, Officials And Volunteers

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Cncl. DiLucia made a motion to approve Resolution R:83-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:84-2014 Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Releasing The Maintenance Bond Posted For "Savona" Formerly Corkery Square, Subdivision #1705, Block 3601, Lots 24, 40, 41 & 42

Cncl. Bryson made a motion to approve Resolution R:84-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:85-2014 Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Deed Of Easement (25' Sanitary Sewer And Water Easement) Between The Township Of Monroe And The Monroe Municipal Utilities Authority

Cncl. Dilks made a motion to approve Resolution R:85-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. DiLucia** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:86-2014 Resolution Awarding A Contract For Professional Services To Robbie Conley Architect, LLC For Architectural And Engineering Services Associated With The Preliminary Planning And Construction Administration For The Preparation Of A Needs Assessment And Solutions Report For The Cecil Firehouse Within The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester State Of New Jersey

Cncl. Bryson made a motion to approve Resolution R:86-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Sebastian** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:87-2014 Resolution Requesting Approval Of Items Of Revenue And Appropriation N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (Safe & Secure Program) (*Read into the record at the meeting as R:76-2014*)

PUBLIC HEARING

**2014 MUNICIPAL BUDGET
8:15 PM**

Auditor Nick Petroni explained the budget before Council for adoption is \$425,000.00 under the Levy Cap and \$1,139,000.00 under the Appropriations Cap. The available surplus after this budget puts the township in a better financial position than it has been in over the last three years. One small amendment must be done after the Public Hearing to add \$235.00 to the interest on notes and after that the budget can be adopted.

Cncl. Sebastian made a motion to open the Public Hearing for the 2014 Municipal Budget. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Caligiuri** and unanimously approved by all members of Council. With no one wishing to speak **Cncl. DiLucia** made a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:60A-2014 Resolution Amending 2014 Budget Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester

Cncl. Sebastian made a motion to approve Resolution R:60A-2014. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Bryson**.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION R:60A-2014 - ALL AYES

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Resolution R:60A-2014 was duly approved.
R:60B-2014 Resolution Adopting The 2014 Municipal Budget

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R:60B-2014 Resolution Adopting The 2014 Municipal Budget

Cncl. Dilks made a motion to approve Resolution R:60B-2014. The motion was seconded by Cncl. DiLucia.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION R:60B-2014 - ALL AYES

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Resolution R:60B-2014 was duly approved.

E.) REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS

Cncl. Teefy reported attending the Municipal Alliance Meeting. The Commission is looking into programs for National Night Out For Crime and an assembly that would be held at Williamstown High School in May or June for "RED", an awareness program for parents regarding heroin use going on in Gloucester County. Additional information will be forthcoming on that event. The Environmental Commission wants to remind everyone to recycle and that Earth Day is Tuesday, April 22nd. The Commission also needs two additional members and anyone interested in serving on that Board can contact the Clerk's Office.

Business Administrator Kevin Heydel reported our new twenty-passenger van, which also has areas for two wheelchairs, was delivered. The van will be utilized for the township bus program and will replace the 2001 bus. The van was purchased through a co-operative agreement between Gloucester County and the municipality for a total cost of \$74,000.00. The municipality's share was \$37,000.00.

F.) GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Cncl. Sebastian made a motion to open the General Public Discussion. The motion was seconded by Cncl. Caligiuri and unanimously approved by all members of Council. With no one wishing to speak Cncl. Bryson made a motion to close the General Public Discussion. The motion was seconded by Cncl. DiLucia and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

G.) ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to discuss Cncl. DiLucia made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of April 14, 2014. The motion was seconded by Cncl. Sebastian and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan McCormick, RMC
Township Clerk


Presiding Officer

Due to technical difficulties with the recording equipment an audio recording of the April 14, 2014 Regular Council Meeting is not available. These minutes were prepared from the handwritten notes taken by the Municipal Clerk.

Approved as submitted _____ Sm _____
Approved as corrected _____

Date 4/28/14
Date _____