

MINUTES  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE  
JUNE 22, 2015

**A.) OPENING CEREMONIES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Council Meeting of the Township of Monroe was called to order at approximately 8:05 PM by **Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri** 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., Caligiuri** 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. McIlvaine** led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag and **Cncl. Miller** offered the Invocation.

**ROLL CALL OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS**

Cncl. Walter Bryson	Present	
Cncl. Marvin Dilks		Excused
Cncl. Rich DiLucia	Present	
Cncl. Bob Heffner	Present	
Cncl. Bart McIlvaine	Present	
Cncl. Cody Miller	Present	
Cncl. Pres., Frank Caligiuri	Present	
Mayor Daniel Teefy	Present	
Solicitor, Charles Fiore	Present	
Business Adm., Kevin Heydel		Excused
Engineer, Chris Rehmann	Present	
Dir. Of Code Enforcement, George Reitz	Present	
Dir. Of Public Safety, Jim Smart	Present	
Dir. Of Public Works, Bob Avis	Present	
Deputy Mayor Andy Potopchuk	Present	
Township Clerk, Susan McCormick	Present	

**SPOTLIGHT ON BUSINESS - Rack's Pub and Grill**

**Alisha Miller** owner of Rack's Pub and Grill introduced herself and spoke of how her business turned around since the named changed to Rack's, which is the name of her other bar and grill located in Atco. She thanked everyone from the township for their support and noted she wants a place where everyone from 21 years old to 99 years old can go. The facility is kid friendly and will be serving the same type of food as the Rack's in Atco. The bar can stay open until 3:00 AM but most nights it closes at 2:00 AM, there is an outside patio with a bar and live entertainment, \$5.00 lunch specials and kid specials daily and many more specials will be available once the new menu comes into play.

**PROCLAMATIONS**

• **Williamstown High School Spring Track Participants**

**Mayor Teefy** and **Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri** presented a Certificate of Recognition to **Andrew Richman** for being awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Place at the Gloucester County Championship, 1<sup>st</sup> Place at the Tri-County Championship, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in South Jersey Group IV events and winning the "New Jersey Group IV" pole vaulting title.

**Mayor Teefy** and **Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri** presented a Certificate of Recognition to **Bria Mack** for being awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Tri-County Conference Championship 100 and 200 meters, South Jersey Group IV 100 meter, the New Jersey Group IV 100 and 200 meters and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the New Jersey Meet of Champions in the 100.

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Mayor Teefy and Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri presented a Certificate of Recognition to Devin Bradham for winning the Woodbury Relay Championship (6-10), South Jersey Group IV Sectional Championship (6-6), the New Jersey Group IV Championship (6-8) and for taking 1<sup>st</sup> Place at the New Jersey Meet of Champions High Jump (6-10). Mayor Teefy noted this past weekend Devin competed and finished 8<sup>th</sup> in the Country in the Nationals in North Carolina and last summer he placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the Junior Olympic Games. The Mayor noted that is outstanding. He also congratulated Devin, as he will be attending Penn State University next year.

- Williamstown High School Varsity Baseball Team

Mayor Teefy and Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri presented Certificates of Recognition to the Williamstown High School 2015 Varsity Baseball Team Head Coach Joe Smith named "South Jersey Coach of the Year", Assistant Coaches Greg Lopez, JR Tolbert and Jim Slade and players Nick D'Alessandro, Dan Musilli, Ross Micka, Zach Martinez, Tyler Apt, Steve Hawk, Max Keegan, Devon Jeffries, Tommy Gibson, Anthony Racobaldo, John Clerkin, Nick Adams, Jared Brown, Paul Flagg, Hunter Wroniuk, Dan Teefy, Rafael Ramos, Jelani Moore, Jamie Mick, Denny Bentley, Anthony Fedoryka, Jerry Powers, Justin Rouse, Darryl Lindsley, Frankie Maldonado, Timmy Pyne, Paul Gerstle and John Nelson the "South Jersey Group IV Champions". Mayor Teefy commended Coach Smith for the job he did in molding the team and for his positive attitude. Coach Smith thanked Council and the Mayor for recognizing the team, the Athletic Director Ron Becker for being in the team's corner all year, the parents for their support, the members of the team and the coaching staff for all they did. He noted he received the recognition of "Coach Of The Year" but without everyone he just named he would have never gotten that award.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Cncl. McIlvaine made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted from the Special Council/Budget Workshop Meeting of May 4, 2015 and the Work Session, Regular Council Meeting and Closed Executive Session of May 11, 2015. The motion was seconded by Cncl. Miller and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

B.) CORRESPONDENCE

- Used Car Dealership - JST Financial LLC (T/A James Motors)

Cncl. Miller made a motion to approve the Used Car Dealership - JST Financial LLC. The motion was seconded by Cncl. Heffner and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

C.) RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED - PUBLIC PORTION

Cncl. Miller made a motion to open the Resolutions Scheduled-Public Portion. The motion was seconded by Cncl. Heffner and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance. With no one wishing to speak Cncl. Miller made a motion to close the Resolutions Scheduled-Public Portion. The motion was seconded by Cncl. Heffner and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**R:100-2015** Resolution Requesting Approval Of Items Of Revenue And Appropriation  
N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 Clean Communities Grant

Cncl. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution R:100-2015. The motion was seconded by Cncl. Heffner and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**R:101-2015** Resolution Requesting Approval Of Items Of Revenue And Appropriation  
N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 JIF Safety Incentive Program

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

**Cncl. Miller** made a motion to approve Resolution R:101-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Heffner** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**R:102-2015** Resolution Approving The Bill List For The Council Meeting Of June 22, 2015

**Cncl. Miller** made a motion to approve Resolution R:102-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. DiLucia** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**R:103-2015** Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing A Second Addendum To The Shared Services Agreement Between The Township Of Franklin And The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester, State Of New Jersey For Clerical Position To Work In The Township Of Franklin Tax Office

**Cncl. Miller** made a motion to approve Resolution R:103-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Heffner** and approved by all members of Council in attendance with the exception of **Cncl. Bryson** who voted **Nay**.

**R:104-2015** Resolution Awarding A Contract For Professional Services To Adams, Rehmann & Heggan Associates, Inc. For Design Services And Construction Management/Inspection Of The Pipe Lining At Saybrook Avenue For The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester, State Of New Jersey

**Cncl. Miller** made a motion to approve Resolution R:104-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. DiLucia** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**R:105-2015** Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing The Issuance Of A Soil Removal Mining Permit To Dun-Rite Sand & Gravel Co., Inc. For A Period Of Five (5) Years For Block 6501, Lots 1.01, 3, 4 & 5 a/k/a Dutch Mill Road

**Cncl. Miller** made a motion to approve Resolution R:105-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. McIlvaine** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**R:106-2015** Approval To Submit And Execute An Incidental Modification To Project Scope/Limits With The New Jersey Department Of Transportation For The Winslow Road Phase VI Project

**Cncl. Bryson** made a motion to approve Resolution R:106-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Miller** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**R:107-2015** Resolution Adjusting Township Of Monroe Tax Records

**Cncl. Miller** made a motion to approve Resolution R:107-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Heffner** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**R:108-2015** Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Deed Of Easement Between Atlantic City Electric Company And The Township Of Monroe To Permit Atlantic City Electric Company To Install, Operate, Maintain And/Or Add To, Relocate And Remove Its Electric And Communications Equipment Located At Block 8601, Lot 24 Within The Township Of Monroe

**Cncl. Miller** made a motion to approve Resolution R:108-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Heffner** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**R:109-2015** Resolution Authorizing The Renewal Of Certain Plenary Retail Consumption, Plenary Retail Consumption With Broad Package Privilege, Plenary Retail Distribution And Club Licenses Within The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester, State Of New Jersey

**Cncl. Bryson** made a motion to approve Resolution R:109-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Miller** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

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**R:110-2015** Resolution Of The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester, State Of New Jersey Authorizing The Renewal Of A Plenary Retail Consumption License Number 0811-33-005-012 For Apple New Jersey LLC T/A Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar

**Cncl. McIlvaine** made a motion to approve Resolution R:110-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Miller** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**R:111-2015** Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing The Acceptance Of An Amendment To Irrevocable Letter Of Credit For Sahara Sand Inc. T/A Sahara Sand Of Franklin

**Cncl. Miller** made a motion to approve Resolution R:111-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. McIlvaine** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

D.) ORDINANCES

**Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri** turned this portion of the meeting over to **Cncl. Vice-Pres., Miller**. **Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri** made a motion to open the Public Hearing for the ordinances listed for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Heffner** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance. With no one wishing to speak **Cncl. Heffner** made a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**O:23-2015** An Ordinance To Amend Section 175-135 Of The Zoning Ordinance Of The Township Of Monroe Regarding Signs

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

**Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri** made a motion to approve Ordinance O:23-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. DiLucia**.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:23-2015 FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING - 6 AYES, 1 ABSENT(Dilks)**

**Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent** Ordinance O:23-2015 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

**O:24-2015** An Ordinance To Amend Chapter 239 Of The Code Of The Township Of Monroe Entitled "Refuse Collection And Recycling"

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

**Cncl. McIlvaine** made a motion to approve Ordinance O:24-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Bryson**.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:24-2015 FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING - 6 AYES, 1 ABSENT(Dilks)**

**Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent** Ordinance O:24-2015 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

**O:25-2015** An Ordinance Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe To Amend Chapter 175 Of The Code Of The Township Of Monroe Entitled "Land Management"

**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:25-2015. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Pres., Caligiuri**.

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D.) ORDINANCES (cont'd)

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:25-2015 FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING - 6 AYES, 1 ABSENT(Dilks)**

**Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent** Ordinance O:25-2015 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

E.) REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS

Cncl. Bryson reported attending the Historical Society Meeting, the Board of Health Meeting and a Law Committee Meeting. The Historical Society discussed digitizing the hundreds of Plain Dealer newspapers they have and would like volunteers to assist them in this project, which will probably take a couple of years. The Board of Health discussed abandoned properties throughout the township. Residents are encouraged to report locations of those properties, as laws are now being codified to help correct those problems. Another issue discussed by the Board of Health was people raising chickens in residential developments. That issue does not fall within the jurisdiction of the Board so they could take no action on it. The Ordinance Committee will address that issue at their next meeting and make a decision on whether to allow chickens in developments or not. The Law Committee Meeting discussed the Dealers of Precious Metals Ordinance, which has been debated for about a year and Committee Chairman, Cncl. DiLucia possibly brought a resolution to some of the issues. Cncl. Bryson wished everyone a good summer and a Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Cncl. DiLucia noted for the last three years there have been issues with the State pension system and the governor accurately implied that pension system was in trouble and required a greater contribution by everyone. One thing he did was to barter an agreement to address health insurance and now the employees pay a much greater contribution towards their health insurance. The governor pledged to make contributions to the pension plan at an accelerated rate to catch up for prior years when no State contributions were made but he reneged on that promise and in fact broke the law that he signed. He challenged the decision that it was illegal not to make that contribution and it went before the State Supreme Court. Cncl. DiLucia noted he was not saying anyone was biased but three of the jurists were appointees of the governor and the Supreme Court's final decision was that he did not have to fund the pension plan and that decision was made under the pretense that it would save the taxpayers money. Cncl. DiLucia felt that not only endangers every employee depending on that pension but it also puts before this State an added financial burden that ultimately can only be resolved in one or two ways. Either by lowering the pensions that people were promised or by imposing a tax that would fund the pension plan. Presently the calculations done by the actuaries say the plans are funded only at the rate of 45% and if anyone knows anything about pension plans 45% is like watching a train come down the tracks while you are standing on the rails about 100 feet away trying to stop it. At 45% if there is nothing done to fund that pension plan it will go belly-up and that is a fact because math does not lie. So this story will continue and end in one or two ways with a reduction in the pensions of teachers and State and municipal employees or taxpayers will have to anti-up the money that the governor should have been putting in. Cncl. DiLucia noted what bothers him more than anything is as a labor representative he signed thousands of contracts and when he did that he knew they were enforceable and that he was putting his signature on a line that guaranteed that he would uphold those contracts. In this instance the governor signed a contract then challenged the validity of it while never denying that he signed it or what the intent was he merely said he was not going to keep his word and the Supreme Court supported him on that. Cncl. DiLucia noted some people may say what does this have to do with Monroe Township but these issues affect all the people in Monroe Township; certainly all township employees and teachers. Another issue going before the Federal Supreme Court within the next few weeks is health care better known as "Obama Care". What happened was the States were told either get into the Federal Plan as part of what their obligations are or fund it them themselves. New Jersey elected not to get in the Federal Plan and that position has now been legally challenged based on a couple words that say if you are not part of the Federal Plan you may not be entitled to a subsidy and there are approximately 250,000 New Jersey residents that are covered by the Obama plan. If the Supreme Court rules that they are excluded based on their exclusion under the State not complying with joining the Federal Group they could possibly lose their insurance and these are things in this State that are going to have a traumatic effect on the residents that we represent.

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Cncl. DiLucia congratulated the Williamstown High School students and their parents on their championships and went on to say how very proud he is that his granddaughter has been selected to represent the Catholic League in Philadelphia and Delaware County in the Carpenter Cup.

Cncl. Heffner reported attending the Memorial Day Parade and noted he was happy to see how many people attended. He also reported attending "Library Night" a fund raiser for the Monroe Township Public Library held at the Library IV Restaurant on May 27<sup>th</sup> and that the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Zoning Board Meeting was cancelled. He noted he got back from a wedding on June 6<sup>th</sup> just in time to watch the fireworks at the Music Festival, which gets bigger and better every year. He noted between 9,000 and 10,000 people attended this year and an event like that takes a lot of departments to run it including fire, police, ambulance, rescue, public works, council and Parks and Rec. The Music Festival went off flawless without any events and that deserves big kudos to the township. At the June 16<sup>th</sup> Zoning Board Meeting a minor variance was approved for a homeowner and on June 18<sup>th</sup> members of Council attended the high school graduation. Cncl. Heffner congratulated members of the Williamstown High School Baseball Team for winning the Group IV South Jersey Championship. He noted for over twenty years he has watched kids play little league baseball and it is a real plus to see a kid playing college ball when you know he is from Williamstown. He again congratulated the team for coming in 2<sup>nd</sup> in the State out of over 500 school districts and 350 varsity squads. At the conclusion of his report Cncl. Heffner wished everyone a safe and happy summer.

Cncl. McIlvaine reported the turnout at the Memorial Day Parade was fantastic compared to past years. It was not as much as the Halloween Parade but close and it was nice to see the support the veterans received. He reported attending the reopening of the Hall Street School; noting he has not been in that building for about 30 or 40 years and it was fun to see pictures of people he went to school with. He noted he also saw Williamstown High School yearbooks from the 1960's that included pictures of Director Reitz and township employee Carl Rein. He recommended that everyone who went to Hall Street or Williamstown High School visit the Hall Street School, as it takes you back and is enjoyable to see. He thanked the Historical Society for doing a great job at the school and the British Car Show, which Cncl. Bryson was a part of. He added there were some really neat cars there and the people took the time to speak to everyone and describe their vehicles. Cncl. McIlvaine noted he was also at the wedding with Cncl. Heffner and only caught the tail end of the Music Festival. The Mayor was there and as the people were leaving he was asking them how they enjoyed it and everyone had a great response to his questions.

Cncl. Miller echoed the same sentiments regarding the Memorial Day Parade as well as the Williamstown High School Baseball Team. He reported on June 16<sup>th</sup> he attended along with the Mayor the Monroe Township Municipal Alliance Commission's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Drug Reality Forum. He noted he wished there were more people there because it was an eye opening experience for him especially since someone in his family is away for treatment right now. Three Police Officers, Rob Marzi, Bob Clark and Anthony D'Amico were honored for being the first in Gloucester County to save a life with Narcan. Cncl. Miller noted he is grateful that since that time, our police department has saved 25 lives with Narcan, which is a controversial drug. He also reported he had the opportunity to speak with the School Board again and everyone is happy with what the Municipal Alliance is doing in the schools under the direction of the Mayor, who wanted something to be done about the substance abuse in our schools. He added he is proud to say with the help of Chuck Earling, Michelle Perez Chairman of the Municipal Alliance Commission and Mayor Teefy a training program, the first of its kind in Gloucester County, will be held for educators during one of their service days. This training will equip them with the tools they need to determine if someone is under the influence. This is not to find ways to get anyone in trouble, it is a way to get them help and Monroe Township is one of the first school districts in Gloucester County to do that. Cncl. Miller reported the Green Team has submitted its report to get the Sustainable Jersey Certification. They are working on a complete streets program as part of the transportation master plan and he thanked ARH for working with the Green Team to coordinate the efforts. They will try to bring a sample policy to Council to adopt a complete streets program and they are also coordinating with the Open Space Advisory Committee to do an Environmental Resource Inventory and an Open Space Plan because the ones in the municipality are both outdated. The Mayor has talked about redoing the township Master

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Plan and they are incorporated into that Master Plan. He also reported that he and the chairman of the Main Street Committee attended the Gloucester County Chamber of Commerce Community Awards Ceremonies where Kathryn Falconi, owner of a local business, SOS Group, was named the "Small Business Person of the Year". Cncl. Miller congratulated Kathryn and noted she is also on the Main Street Committee to help with the work being done there.

Mayor Teefy reported since the last meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup> he has attended twenty-four events not counting weddings. He reported on the following: Catholic Charities is considering building a project for 55 and over affordable apartments in the back of St. Mary's, the Best Western Motel is expanding by building a third floor, Sam's Club came before the Planning Board to put in a gas station off of Berlin Cross Keys Road, Monroe Township Ambulance and Rescue Squad held their annual open house and Holiday City held their Memorial Day Ceremonies where Cncl. DiLucia did a good job as the keynote speaker. The Mayor reported attending the Gloucester County Memorial Day Ceremonies held at the Veteran's Cemetery and on that same day a welcome home celebration for Randy Rhodes of the US Army who came home after a year deployment. Mayor Teefy thanked the Public Works Department for putting the flags on the poles and striping the lines and the Economic Development Committee for the "Welcome to the Heart of Williamstown" banners that were put up along Main Street. He added everything looked terrific for the veterans on Memorial Day and he was proud to walk down Main Street. He reported Rev. Gordon from St. Matthew's Baptist Church wants to do a community outreach program and a meeting was held at their community center with mayors from different towns and our Police Chief to discuss that. Rev. Gordon would like to use their facilities and their people to go out into the community to help with not only drug/alcohol awareness but also with homeless people and job awareness. They are going to try to get some of the other churches involved as well and they want people to know that they will not have to join the congregation to participate in those programs. The Mayor also reported cutting the ribbon at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Shop Rite Carnival, attending "Library Night" at the Library IV Restaurant, the Gloucester County Mayor/Municipal Clerk's Dinner at Nino's Restaurant in Paulsboro with the Clerk and Deputy Clerk and the National Coalition of 100 Black Women South Jersey Chapter "Stem Conference" at the Pfeiffer Center along with approximately forty young women in grades five through eight, the grand opening of the new thrift store on Main Street and the Whitehall School Talent Show. He reported on June 6<sup>th</sup> Honor Flight took veterans to Washington DC and he commended Pam Pontano and the other members of Honor Flight for putting it all together and Zallies Shop Rite for donating the food served in the morning and at night when they returned. The Mayor noted the Williamstown High School Varsity State Championship game and the Music Festival were also held that day. He reported he went to the game and then came back to the Music Festival which is becoming a huge event because of the number of people that attend and how well it is run and the Parks and Rec Commission deserve a big pat on the back for that. The Mayor reported Williamstown High School students received over \$82,000.00 in academic scholarships at Senior Recognition Night and he had the opportunity to attend a Community Out Reach service at St. Matthew's Baptist Church along with Senator Madden, Mayor Barry Wright from Winslow Township and Shawn Dalton. The service was very well run, had good music, high energy, dancing by young kids and the message was very good. He reported the Drug Reality Forum was very well done. Danielle Lorusso from the Prosecutor's Office hit the nail on the head that what we have been doing is broke, the problem keeps getting worse and we need to change the game. She is working with Monroe Township Schools to help make that change for the kids and the school district is wide open to the pilot program to help the kids at a young age. The Mayor reported the rain held off and the Williamstown High School graduation went very well and he was able to give his son, Daniel his diploma. He reported he did the basketball events at Project Graduation and the kids had a great time. The Mayor reported receiving a commitment that the old Quality Furniture Store will be demolished by the end of July, that he is working with that developer to bring in some type of mixed use to start development at that site and that Monroe Township has received a grant/loan from the NJDEP to expand Owens Park and that expansion will include a dog park. The Mayor thanked the residents for donating food to the pantry and noted Gloucester County is going to adopt a resolution to bring Monroe Township into their Abandoned Property Program so that should start within the next two weeks. A list of properties has been sent to them and they are now including them in the database and as soon as we get authorization from the County those properties will be registered and income will be coming in for them. The Mayor also reported July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks will be held

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at the high school. He then offered his sentiments regarding the passing of his former high school homeroom teacher, Mrs. Jengenino. He noted Mrs. J was a terrific lady who made sure every morning when the kids said the Pledge of Allegiance they respected the flag and the country they lived in. Mrs. J will be laid to rest tomorrow. She is survived by her husband the original Dr. J, which all the kids called Mr. Jengenino.

**Engineer, Chris Rehmann** reported after receiving a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering and going through four years of approved engineering experience and passing a sixteen hour examination Kathryn Cornforth is now a Professional Engineer. Mr. Rehmann also reported that he is working with the Lower Victory Lakes Association to clear brush from the Whitehall Road Dam, as the Bureau of Dam Safety has ordered that to be done and with the help of the Solicitor he is guiding the association through that process. He noted he is also working with the Mayor on a number of issues and will be meeting with the Open Space Committee regarding some of the development on the extension of Owens Park.

**Director of Code Enforcement George Reitz** reported the Corkery Lane Country Motel project is wrapped up. All pipes are connected but some inside the building need to be changed.

**Director of Public Safety, Jim Smart** noted at the May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting he gave Mark Burton credit for being named Officer of the Year when Matt Bureklin was the officer who received that designation. He apologized to Officer Bureklin and noted he also contacted the Chief to advise him of this. He spoke of Honor Flight being a great program and how it gets tremendous support from the volunteer fire departments and ambulance association. The fire departments gave them a great sendoff in the morning and the volunteer ambulance members sent at least one ambulance along with them. Mr. Smart also reported there was a tremendous turnout at the Music Festival and it was great to see the number of volunteers from the Cecil and Williamstown Fire Departments and the Ambulance Association coming out to support this event and work closely with the Police Department. He reported the County will be closing five bridges within the next two months to rebuild the sides and railings. The dates and times of the closings will be posted on our website when that information becomes available and we will be working with the Police Department to make sure all emergency services are aware of these closures.

**Deputy Mayor Potopchuk** reported he attended the Drug Alliance Program and urged everyone to support that program because many people in our town are dying from drugs.

F.) GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION

**Cncl. Miller** made a motion to open the General Public Discussion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Heffner** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**Sherie Jenkins, 1808 Cornus Court**, noted her daughter sends her regards to Cncl. Miller and that she has run into Mayor Teefy more times in one week than she saw all the other mayors and she thanked him for his continued outreach and participation in the community. She went on to say Mr. Fiore and Cncl. Caligiuri, Bryson and Dilks know her as well and she wanted to communicate to everyone what is going on in Hunter Woods on Cornus Court where Papparone is building new homes. She presented pictures of water run off that is plaguing the community to the point where it is a health risk and noted Mr. Papparone took down hundreds of trees which is now creating water runoff and an infestation of mosquitos. She spoke of holding Mr. Papparone's bond up for three years during the Duffy Administration, which resulted in the engineer forcing him to put in pallets of stone so that the water would drain in the middle of the court. Subsequently with him building and tearing out all those beautiful trees the water now runs down even though he tried to slope it and do various other things the puddles are not draining. Mrs. Jenkins explained you can see water coming down from the new home that was built and there is three inches of mud on her property from that. She noted she built her home here fifteen years ago, four of her children went through our school system, one played on Mayor Teefy's basketball team, Cncl. Miller knows her daughter and she pays \$12,500.00 in taxes and this is a big issue to her. She urged Council members to come out to her home to see for themselves the problem. She noted Mr. Papparone made a lot of money in this township and she urged Council to make him install the proper drainage. She noted Papparone trucks have cracked the street and she questioned why should the residents pay for that and why isn't he being held

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F.) GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION (cont'd)

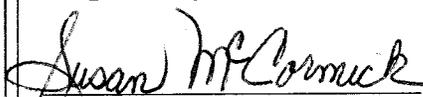
accountable for the drainage, tearing down all those trees and the damage to the street? In Mt. Laurel and Cherry Hill he would be required to have proper drainage. Mayor Teefy questioned whether everything was good there before Paparone began building those four new homes. Mrs. Jenkins replied everything was pretty good; there was a minute drainage problem but now red goo is coming from under the cement of one of the new homes he built and she is concerned with what that is. She noted she would like to see someone inspect that because the more it rains the more it occurs. She spoke of putting in \$10,000.00 worth of French drains on her property to stop water and how those drains cannot accommodate the water runoff. She added she wanted to bring this issue to everyone's attention because she is confident that under their leadership they will ensure that Paparone does the right thing and there is a resolution to this problem. Engineer Chris Rehmann noted someone from the township should notify the Gloucester County Soil Conservation District and have them come out to do an inspection because anything associated with soil runoff is under their jurisdiction and they can fine the developer. If they did each individual lot separately they would probably not fall under the rule but if they did all three lots at one time they should have a soil conservation permit, which would be putting up soil erosion fencing, hay bales to keep the inlets clean of soil and they would need to put rocks on the lot exit so that trucks don't track dirt onto the street. That is not under the township's jurisdiction but the County has a program and they will send an inspector out based on that complaint. Mr. Rehmann explained these three lots existed when Hunter Woods was originally approved so there is no longer any bond associated with the performance of Paparone. The township has no real leverage other than the Soil Conservation District and since these are public streets, Mr. Paparone can send trucks on them. He added he will find a way to address this matter with him. He noted with the Blaze Mill Property Mr. Paparone will have a full bond, inspection fees and people will be out there watching what is happening. As far as the status of that development he cannot get County approval to access Fries Mill Road to build that development until the intersection of Fries Mill Road and Glassboro Road has been approved, funded and has had a delineation of how that is bonded to ensure it is going to function properly. Mr. Rehmann noted the Mayor has been in office for six months and we have had more meetings on that than we have had in four years. It has been extremely frustrating trying to get anyone to move that project forward and if that project doesn't happen he didn't know how Blaze Mill would move forward unless Paparone is willing to fund approximately four million dollars of improvements to that intersection. Solicitor Fiore questioned whether our lot grading ordinance would be applicable to the individual lots. Mr. Rehmann replied yes and explained we have approved grading for those lots but they have not graded them yet. The front part of the lots will go towards the street and the rest will go out the back. Mrs. Jenkins showed pictures and explained how erosion is still occurring and how the attempted remediation was not in compliance because it does not stop the run off. She felt Mr. Paparone needs to put stone in, as this is an issue, which the township does have jurisdiction over. Mr. Rehmann noted no it doesn't; Soil Conservation has that. Mrs. Jenkins went on to address her concerns regarding the draining issues, the mud and the dump trucks damaging the roadway and she asked the Mayor and Council to come to her home to see it for themselves. She noted Mr. Paparone does not go to Mt. Laurel and make their people live in this squalor and she doesn't expect to live in it either. Mayor Teefy noted he would come out and look into this matter.

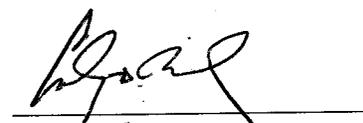
Cncl. Miller made a motion to close the General Public Discussion. The motion was seconded by Cncl. Heffner and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

G.) ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to discuss Cncl. Miller made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of June 22, 2015. The motion was seconded by Cncl. Heffner and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Susan McCormick, RMC  
Township Clerk

  
Presiding Officer

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Approved as submitted \_\_\_\_\_ AM \_\_\_\_\_  
Approved as corrected \_\_\_\_\_

Date 7/27/15  
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