

**MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
NOVEMBER 26, 2018**

A.) OPENING CEREMONIES

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Council Meeting of the Township of Monroe was called to order at approximately 8:00PM by **Cncl. Pres., Rich DiLucia** 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 (*N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 thru 10:4-21*). Notices were placed in the official publications for the Township of Monroe (i.e.: South Jersey Times, Courier Post and The Sentinel of Gloucester County). A copy of that notice is posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Complex and on the Monroe Township website.

Cncl. Pres., DiLucia stated the Clerk has placed a sign-in sheet in the meeting room. If anyone would like to address Council, please sign in and you will be recognized during the Public Portion. Kindly state your name for the record.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Cncl. McIlvaine led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag and **Cncl. Marino** Offered the Invocation.

ROLL CALL OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Cncl. Marvin Dilks	Present	
Cncl. Ron Garbowski	Present	
Cncl. Bob Heffner		Excused
Cncl. Joe Marino	Present	
Cncl. Bart McIlvaine	Present	
Cncl. Cody Miller	Present	
Cncl. Pres. Rich DiLucia	Present	
Mayor Daniel Teefy	Present	
Solicitor, Louis Cappelli	Present	
Business Administrator, Kevin Heydel	Present	
Engineer, Kathryn Cornforth	Present	
Dir. of Finance, Karyn Paccione	Present	
Dir. of Public Safety, Jim Smart	Present	
Dir. of Public Works, Mike Calvello	Present	
Dir. of Comm. Dev./Code Enf., Rosemary Flaherty	Present	
Dir. of Parks & Recreation, Jim Bonder	Present	
Deputy Mayor, Andy Potopchuk		Excused
Police Chief John McKeown	Present	
Municipal Clerk, Susan McCormick	Present	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted of the Council Work Session of November 13, 2018, the Regular Council Meeting of November 13, 2018 and the Closed Executive Session of November 13, 2018. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marino** and approved by all members of Council in attendance, with the exception of **Cncl. Dilks** and **Cncl. Miller** who abstained.

B.) CORRESPONDENCE – None

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C.) RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED – PUBLIC PORTION

Cncl. Marino made a motion to open the Resolutions Scheduled – Public Portion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance. With no one wishing to speak, **Cncl. McIlvaine** made a motion to close the Resolutions Scheduled – Public Portion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marino** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

R:222A-2018 Resolution Adjusting Township Of Monroe Tax Records

Cncl. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution R:222A-2018. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marino** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

R:223-2018 Resolution Approving The Bill List For The Council Meeting Of November 26, 2018

Cncl. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution R:223-2018. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marino** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

R:224-2018 Resolution Authorizing Closed Executive Session Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe To Discuss Potential Ligation (*Junkyard Applications/Licensing*)

Cncl. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution R:224-2018. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marino** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

D.) ORDINANCES

Cncl. Pres., DiLucia turned this portion of the meeting over to **Ordinance Committee Chairman, Cncl. Marino**. **Cncl. Garbowski** made a motion to open the meeting to the public for the Ordinances listed on the Agenda for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Pres. DiLucia** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance. With no one wishing to speak on the Ordinances for Second Reading, **Cncl. Garbowski** made a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Miller** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

O:32-2018 An Ordinance Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Appropriating A Sum Not To Exceed \$50,000.00 For Professional Services Related To The Upgrade Of The Irrigation System At Owens Park And The Extension Of The Bike Path Within The Township Of Monroe

Second 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. Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:32-2018 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Pres. DiLucia**.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:32-2018 FOR
SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING
6 AYES (Dilks, DiLucia, Garbowski, Marino, McIlvaine, Miller), 1 ABSENT (Heffner)**

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance **O:32-2018** was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:33-2018 An Ordinance Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe To Amend Chapter 69 Of The Code Of The Township Of Monroe, Entitled "Police, Division Of"

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

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D.) ORDINANCES (cont'd)

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:33-2018 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. McIlvaine**.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:33-2018 FOR
SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING
6 AYES (Dilks, DiLucia, Garbowski, Marino, McIlvaine, Miller), 1 ABSENT (Heffner)**

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance O:33-2018 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:34-2018 An Ordinance Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe To Amend Chapter 175 Of The Township Of Monroe, Entitled "Land Management"

Second 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. Miller made a motion to approve Ordinance O:34-2018 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Garbowski**.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:34-2018 FOR
SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING
6 AYES (Dilks, DiLucia, Garbowski, Marino, McIlvaine, Miller), 1 ABSENT (Heffner)**

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance O:34-2018 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:35-2018 An Ordinance Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe To Amend Chapter 74 Of The Code Of The Township Of Monroe, Entitled "Fees"

Second 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:35-2018 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Garbowski**.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:35-2018 FOR
SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING
6 AYES (Dilks, DiLucia, Garbowski, Marino, McIlvaine, Miller), 1 ABSENT (Heffner)**

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance O:35-2018 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:36-2018 An Ordinance Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe To Amend Chapter 141 Of The Code Of The Township Of Monroe, Entitled "Fire Prevention"

Second 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. Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:36-2018 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Miller**.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:36-2018 FOR
SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING
6 AYES (Dilks, DiLucia, Garbowski, Marino, McIlvaine, Miller), 1 ABSENT (Heffner)**

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance O:36-2018 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

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D.) ORDINANCES (cont'd)

O:37-2018 An Ordinance Of The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester, State Of New Jersey, Amending And Supplementing Chapter 230 Of The Township Code Of The Township Of Monroe, Entitled, "Peddling And Soliciting" And Chapter 74, Entitled "Fees"

Second 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. Miller made a motion to approve Ordinance O:37-2018 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Pres. DiLucia**.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:37-2018 FOR
SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING
6 AYES (Dilks, DiLucia, Garbowski, Marino, McIlvaine, Miller), 1 ABSENT (Heffner)**

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance **O:37-2018** was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

E.) REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS

Cncl. Garbowski extended holiday wishes to everyone.

Cncl. Marino congratulated the Williamstown Braves Football on a great season. They had a 12-0 season and were the SJ Group 5 Champions. Over the weekend, they played at the MetLife Stadium. He thanked Dir. of Parks & Recreation, Jim Bonder and Dir. of Public Works, Mike Calvello with helping to prepare the WHS football field and providing extra bleachers that were needed before the game with Rancocas Valley.

Cncl. Miller reported that the Williamstown Fire Company is currently selling Christmas trees until they are sold-out. The trees will be sold Monday-Friday 6:00pm-9:00pm, Saturday-Sunday 10:00am-9:00pm. The cost of the trees are \$35, \$45 and \$55. He also reported, a Township employee, Daniel Kenney, had passed away over the weekend. Cncl. Miller expressed his kind sentiments about Mr. Kenney and thanked him for his service to our Country as a marine and his service to the Township, adding that his thoughts and prayers are with Mr. Kenney's family and he will be missed.

Director of Finance, Karyn Paccione reported a note sale was held on November 20, 2018 for \$6,931,452.00 and the successful bidder was TD Securities for the interest rate of 2.3% with the net interest cost of \$71,740.00. There were two other bidders, Jeffries, LLC at 2.342% and Oppenheimer & Company at 2.557%.

Director of Public Safety, Jim Smart advised with everyone moving into the Christmas season he urged all to use the proper extension cords and proper lighting when doing their holiday decorating.

Director of Parks & Rec, Jim Bonder reported on the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony which will take place on **Saturday, December 1st** starting at 6:00PM. He extended his thanks to our residents who came out to help with the Main Street Makeover, there were some 50 people who helped to put together over 105 plants/trees, 88 hanging baskets. We are on target to build towards the future and during the spring time we will be looking for volunteers to build a pergola on the old library lot in the hopes this would attract vendors coming in on weekends. We are in discussion with a couple different groups to build an arch over the roadway. Mr. Bonder then reported on the vandalism that took place at Owens Park and the Sports Advisory Board has put out a \$500.00 reward for information leading to prosecution of the offenders/kids. Mr. Bonder felt this was no reflection on the 40,000 residents in this town that enjoy the park and take advantage of the services over there. Unfortunately, it is only a few kids doing this damage and if anybody knows anything he urged them to contact his office.

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E.) REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS (cont'd)

Cncl. Pres., DiLucia reported on his attendance at the MMUA meeting on Wednesday, November 21st and prior to that the board had submitted to him a report on compliance with state requirements and the Best Practices report which was read into the record. He thanked the MMUA for a job well done. Also, he joined Cncl. Marino in congratulating the Williamstown Braves Football team for a tremendous season and for them achieving quite an accomplishment on the impressive record they put up.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Solicitor Cappelli reported that Council just concluded a Closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a potential litigation matter (*Junkyard Applications/Licensing*). He advised that a Resolution R:225-2018 will be amended to approve the applications of the seven (7) junkyards listed on the condition that they comply with any deficiencies of both state and local requirements within 120 days of December 2, 2018.

R:225-2018 Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing (*With Conditions*) The Junkyard Licenses Within The Township Of Monroe.

Cncl. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution R:225-2018 with the conditions as stated above. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Garbowski** and unanimously approved by the members of Council in attendance (*Heffner-Absent*).


F.) GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to open the General Public Discussion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Miller** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance. With no one wishing to speak, **Cncl. Garbowski** made a motion to close the General Public Discussion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

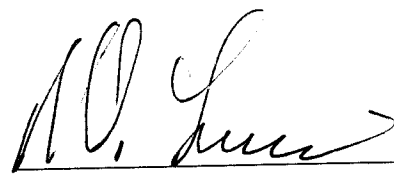
G.) ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to discuss, **Cncl. Miller** made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of November 26, 2018. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marino** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan McCormick, RMC
Township Clerk



Presiding Officer

These minutes were prepared from excerpts of the tape-recorded proceedings of the Regular Council Meeting of November 26, 2018 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.

Approved as submitted _____
Approved as corrected _____

Date 12/10/18
Date _____