

**MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
AUGUST 7, 2019**

A.) OPENING CEREMONIES

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Council Meeting of the Township of Monroe was called to order at approximately 6:30 PM by **Cncl. Pres. Ronald Garbowski** in the Conference Room on the first floor 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 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 and on the Monroe Township website.

Cncl. Pres. Garbowski 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. Pres. Garbowski led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag.

ROLL CALL OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Cncl. Marvin Dilks	Present	
Cncl. Katherine Falcone	Present	
Cncl. Joseph Marino	Present	
Cncl. Cody Miller	Present	
Cncl. Patrick O'Reilly	Present	
Cncl. Gregory Wolfe	Present	
Cncl. Pres. Ronald Garbowski	Present	
Mayor Richard DiLucia	Present	
Deputy Mayor, Joseph DiLolle		Excused
Solicitor, John Trimble	Present	
Business Administrator, Jill McCrea		Excused
Engineer, Kathryn Cornforth		Excused
Dir. of Code Enf./Comm. Dev., Ralph Manfredi		Excused
Dir. of Community Affairs, Brandee Derieux		Excused
Dir. of Finance, Lorraine Boyer		Excused
Dir. of Parks & Recreation, Terrance Bannister		Excused
Dir. of Public Safety, Joseph Kurz	Present	
Dir. of Public Works, Nicholas Mercado		Excused
Dir. of Real Estate, Angelina Matese		Excused
Police Chief James DeHart		Excused
Deputy Municipal Clerk, Jennifer Harbison	Present	

B.) RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED – PUBLIC PORTION

Cncl. Wolfe made a motion to open the Resolutions Scheduled – Public Portion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marino** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

With no one wishing to speak, **Cncl. Miller** made a motion to close the Resolutions Scheduled – Public Portion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Wolfe** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

R:184-2019 Resolution of the Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Amending Resolution R:183-2019 Authorizing An Extension Of The Period Of Time For Payment Of Real Estate Taxes For The Third Quarter Of 2019 For The Township Of Monroe.

Cncl. Wolfe made a motion to approve Resolution R:184-2019. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Falcone** and approved by members of Council.

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B.) RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED – PUBLIC PORTION (cont'd)

R:185-2019 Resolution Authorizing The Place-To-Place Transfer For The Extension Of Premises For Plenary Retail Consumption License 0811-33-009-008, Kala-Trofi, LLC t/a Geet's Diner Restaurant

Cncl. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution R:185-2019. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Wolfe** and approved by members of Council.

C.) GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION

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

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

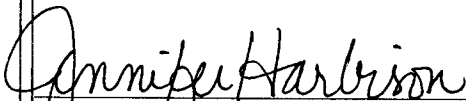
Mayor DiLucia noted that there have been some late communications that came in from Engineer, Kathryn Cornforth, in terms of grants, which he distributed for Council's review. He asked Council if they would like to move forward with one of the grants, which would require a traffic study. The traffic study can be done through the Police Department and would not be a cost item. **Cncl. Miller** agrees the study needs to be done, however, he questioned the section of Main Street, South Main Street and Poplar Street that is considered a County Road. He said, tractor trailers travel down it all the time, causing a lot of unnecessary wear and tear. He thinks funding was received to fix a portion of the road, however, he would like to know if we can apply to have this fixed instead of the road listed, if it meets the criteria. Mayor DiLucia explained, the money that was received to fix Main Street is not enough to do a deep dig, it is only a limited amount to perform an overlay. The Mayor will call Mrs. Cornforth to see if it would qualify to fix Main Street, instead of the recommended area, and he will advise. Mayor DiLucia said, the other question remains, how much money will it cost to write and apply for the grant, whether it is the engineer who goes out for it or the Township. A discussion ensued regarding Council's ideas of what roads they feel should be included within the grant. **Cncl. Marino** made a motion to move forward with the traffic study, which will be determined by the Engineer's advice. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Miller** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Mayor DiLucia mentioned that he has not heard from the County Engineer regarding Route 322 and Fries Mill Road. Mayor DiLucia reported that the Dog Park was rejected by the County Planning Board based on what they said were deficiencies in the plan. He has spoken with Engineer, Kathryn Cornforth regarding this and she is going to resubmit the plans to try and conform to the deficiencies.


D.) ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to discuss, **Cncl. Wolfe** made a motion to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of August 7, 2019. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Miller** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Harbison
Deputy Municipal Clerk



Presiding Officer

These minutes were prepared from excerpts of the recorded proceedings, as well as hand-written notes taken, of the Special Council Meeting of August 7, 2019 and serve only as a synopsis of the proceedings. The official recording may be heard in the Office of the Township Clerk upon proper notification, pursuant to the Open Public Records Act.

Approved as submitted _____
Approved as corrected _____

Date 9/23/19
Date _____