

**MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
NOVEMBER 12, 2019**

A.) OPENING CEREMONIES

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Council Meeting of the Township of Monroe was called to order at approximately 8:20PM 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., Ronald 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. Marino led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag and **Cncl. Wolfe** offered the Invocation.

ROLL CALL OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Cncl. Marvin Dilks	Present	<i>(Excused at 8:40pm)</i>
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	Present	<i>(Excused at 8:44pm)</i>
Solicitor, John Trimble	Present	
Business Administrator, Jill McCrea	Present	
Engineer, Kathryn Cornforth	Present	<i>(Excused at 8:42pm)</i>
Dir. of Code Enf./Comm. Dev., Ralph Manfredi	Present	
Dir. of Community Affairs, Brandee Derieux		Excused
Dir. of Finance, Lorraine Boyer	Present	<i>(Arrived approximately 8:45pm)</i>
Dir. of Parks & Recreation, Terrance Bannister		Excused
Dir. of Public Safety, Joseph Kurz	Present	<i>(Excused at 8:42pm)</i>
Dir. of Public Works, Nicholas Mercado	Present	<i>(Excused at 8:42pm)</i>
Dir. of Real Estate, Angelina Matese	Present	<i>(Excused at 8:42pm)</i>
Police Chief James DeHart	Present	<i>(Excused at 8:42pm)</i>
Municipal Clerk, Aileen Chiselko	Present	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Cncl. Miller made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted of the Work Session of October 14, 2019, the Closed Executive Session of October 14, 2019 and the Regular Council Meeting of October 14, 2019. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Dilks** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

B.) CORRESPONDENCE - None

C.) RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED – PUBLIC PORTION

Cncl. Miller 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. Wolfe** made a motion to close the Resolutions Scheduled – Public

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

Portion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Marino** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Cncl. Miller made a motion to bracket for approval, by Consent Agenda, Resolution R:241-2019 and Resolutions R:249-2019 through R:258-2019. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Pres. Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTION R:241-2019 and
RESOLUTIONS R:249-2019 through R:258-2019**

R:241-2019 Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Maintenance Bond In The Amount Of \$60,144.74 For The Construction Of Forest Drive, Phase II Within The Township Of Monroe

R:249-2019 Resolution Approving The Bill List And Paid List For The Council Meeting Of November 12, 2019

R:250-2019 Resolution Of The Township Of Monroe Rejecting All Bids For Owens Park Expansion Project

R:251-2019 Resolution Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing Road Easement To The County Of Gloucester

R:252-2019 Resolution Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe In Support Of Calling For The Study Commission To Review The Open Public Records Act

R:253-2019 Resolution Adjusting Township Of Monroe Tax Records

R:254-2019 Resolution Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing The Execution Of A Contract For Sale Of Real Estate And To Proceed With Due Diligence Related To The Acquisition Of Block 13901, Lot 15 Located At 1052 Sykes Lane In The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester, State Of New Jersey

R:255-2019 Resolution Authorizing The Township Of Monroe To Release The Maintenance Guaranty Of Beazer Homes, LLC Regarding The Enclave At Monroe (F/K/A Estates At Federal Hill), Off-Site Improvements, Subdivision #1745

R:256-2019 Resolution Authorizing A Proposal From Pennoni For The Scope Of Services Relating To The Design, Bidding And Construction Administration For The Handicap Ramp Replacements, Milling And Resurfacing Of Main Street

R:257-2019 Resolution Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Settlement Agreement Between The Township Of Monroe And James Bonder

R:258-2019 Resolution Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Settlement Agreement Between The Township Of Monroe And James Kelly

Cncl. Pres. Garbowski made a motion to approve Resolution R:241-2019 and Resolutions R:249-2019 through R:258-2019. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Wolfe** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

D.) ORDINANCES

Cncl. Pres. Garbowski turned this portion of the meeting over to **Ordinance Committee Chairman, Cncl. Marino**.

O:49-2019 An Ordinance Of The Township Council Of The Township Of Monroe Authorizing The Purchase Of Real Property Known And Designated As Tax Block 3205, Lot 28 On The Tax And Assessment Map Of The Township Of Monroe, County Of Gloucester And State Of New Jersey (**First Reading & Publication**)

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D.) ORDINANCES (cont'd)

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:49-2019 for First Reading and Publication. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Falcone** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

E.) REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS

Cncl. Marino spoke regarding a potential date for the 2020 Council Reorganization Meeting. **Cncl. Pres. Garbowski** polled Council and all were in favor of scheduling the Council Reorganization Meeting on January 6, 2020.

Cncl. Miller thanked the residents of Monroe Township for electing him to fill the unexpired term of office in Ward 2. He looks forward to working with everyone and is excited to do great things, helping to hold the line on property taxes, as well as working to bring in new businesses. He commended James "Jay" Reed for a well-fought campaign.

Cncl. O'Reilly reported that he, the Mayor and Business Administrator, Ms. McCrea have a meeting scheduled the next day with Tri-State Lighting. Tri-State Lighting performs a lot of the high efficiency municipal clean-ups, dealing with the changing out of the lights and HVAC systems.

Director of Code Enforcement/Community Development, Ralph Manfredi mentioned that the annual junkyard/salvage yard inspections are due and he will be starting them this week. He is hopeful they will be complete within the next month.

Cncl. Pres., Garbowski thanked everyone for attending the Veterans Ceremony at the monument on Monday. He congratulated **Cncl. Miller** and the Board of Education Members for being elected, saying that he sees some good changes on the horizon this year.

F.) GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION

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

At this time, a short recess was taken while Council waited for Lorraine Boyer, Director of Finance, to return with an Amended Resolution regarding budget transfers.

The Regular Council Meeting resumed and Ms. Boyer discussed the Amended Budget Transfer Resolution to the Council Members in attendance.

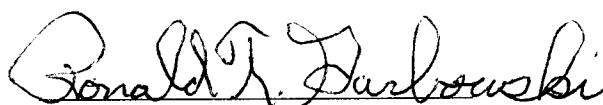
G.) ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to discuss, **Cncl. Wolfe** made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting of November 12, 2019. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. O'Reilly** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,



Aileen Chiselko
Municipal Clerk



Presiding Officer

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These minutes were prepared from excerpts of the recorded proceedings, as well as hand-written notes taken, of the Regular Council Meeting of November 12, 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 asc
Approved as corrected _____

Date 12/9/19
Date _____