

**MINUTES  
WORK SESSION MEETING  
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE  
JANUARY 25, 2021**

**A.) OPENING CEREMONIES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Work Session Meeting of the Township of Monroe was called to order at approximately 7:00PM by **Cncl. Pres., Patrick O'Reilly** in the Courtroom 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*). Adequate notice was 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.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**Cncl. McKinney** led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag.

**ROLL CALL OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS**

Cncl. Katherine Falcone	Present	
Cncl. Carolann Fox	Present	
Cncl. Ronald Garbowski	Present	
Cncl. Steven McKinney	Present	
Cncl. Chelsea Valcourt	Present	
Cncl. Vice-Pres. Gregory Wolfe	Present	(via telephone)
Cncl. Pres. Patrick O'Reilly	Present	
Mayor Richard DiLucia	Present	
Deputy Mayor, Joseph DiLolle	Present	
Solicitor, John Trimble	Present	
Business Administrator, Jill McCrea	Present	
Dir. of Code Enforcement, Joseph Broderick	Present	
Dir. of Community Affairs, Brandee Derieux	Present	
Dir. of Finance, Lorraine Boyer		Excused
Dir. of Parks & Recreation, Brent Salvadori	Present	
Dir. of Public Safety, Joseph Kurz	Present	
Dir. of Public Works, Nicholas Mercado		Excused
Dir. of Real Estate, Angelina Matese	Present	
Police Chief David Dailey	Present	
Municipal Clerk, Aileen Chiselko	Present	

**B.) MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION - None**

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**C.) PUBLIC PORTION**

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

**D.) NEW BUSINESS – None**

**E.) OLD BUSINESS – None**

**F.) COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Cncl. Valcourt** advised that the Redevelopment Committee met via Zoom on January 13, 2021 to discuss their recommendations for redevelopment professionals. The Redevelopment Committee has decided to recommend the law office of Florio Perruci as the Redevelopment Attorney, Masr Consulting as the Redevelopment Planner and CME Associates as the Redevelopment Engineer. **Mayor DiLucia** asked what the Redevelopment Committee's reasons were for their recommendations of the Redevelopment Attorney and Planner. **Cncl. Valcourt** explained the Committee's reasons for the recommendations. **Cncl. Falcone** noted, she is not in favor of the law office of Florio Perruci as the Redevelopment Attorney and provided her reasons why. She explained that she is in favor of the law office of Gebhardt & Kiefer and provided her reasons why. The Mayor stated that he appreciated the Committee's report and recommendations and he will take them into consideration when he makes his decision, as he ultimately is the one who negotiates and signs all of the contracts. Mayor DiLucia noted, in 2017 the Council passed a Resolution authorizing the Planning Board to take charge of a redevelopment study, during that time Masr Consulting was the redevelopment professional and after some research, the Mayor found that Maser Consulting never concluded the study. **Cncl. Pres. O'Reilly** stated that the recommendations will be presented for approval at the February 8<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting for approval.

**Cncl. McKinney** advised that due to the pandemic, the Historical Society is not able to be open to the public, however, they are working on creating virtual tours and Zoom meetings. With regards to the Public Safety Committee, their first meeting is scheduled for February 20<sup>th</sup>.

**G.) QUESTIONS REGARDING RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED – None**


**H.) QUESTIONS REGARDING ORDINANCES SCHEDULED – None**

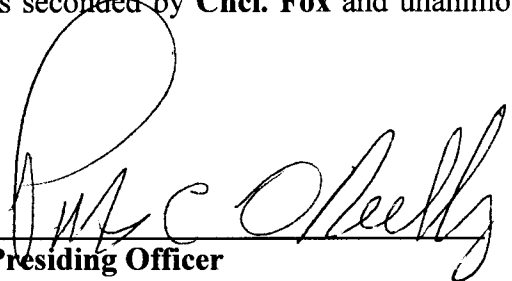
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**I.) ADJOURNMENT**

With nothing further to discuss, **Cncl. Garbowski** made a motion to adjourn the Council Work Session of January 25, 2021. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**Respectfully submitted,**

  
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**Aileen Chiselko, RMC  
Municipal Clerk**

  
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**Presiding Officer**

*These minutes were prepared from excerpts of the recorded proceedings, as well as hand-written notes taken, of the Council Work Session of January 25, 2021 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     2/27/21      
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