

**MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
JULY 24, 2023**

A.) OPENING CEREMONIES

CALL TO ORDER

The Council Meeting of the Township of Monroe was called to order at 7 p.m. by **Cncl. Pres., Carolann Fox** 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.

Cncl. Pres., Carolann Fox stated, the Clerk has placed a sign-in sheet in the rear of the meeting room. If anyone would like to address Council, please sign-in and raise your hand and you will be asked to come forward to the microphone. Kindly state your name and address for the record.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Cncl. O'Reilly led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag. **Cncl. Heverly** offered the Invocation.

ROLL CALL

Cncl. Denise Adams	Present	
Cncl. Ronald Garbowski	Present	
Cncl. Donald Heverly	Present	
Cncl. Steven McKinney	Present	
Cncl. Patrick O'Reilly	Present	
Cncl. Vice-Pres. Chelsea Valcourt	Present	
Cncl. Pres. Carolann Fox	Present	
Mayor Gregory A. Wolfe	Present	
Deputy Mayor, Joseph Kurz	Present	
Solicitor, Sandra Graise	Present	
Business Administrator, James V. DeHart, III	Present	
Dir. of Code Enforcement, William Sebastian	Present	
Dir. of Community Affairs, Donna Park	Present	
Dir. of Community Development, Joseph Marino		Excused
Dir. of Parks & Recreation, Brian Cope	Present	
Dir. of Public Safety, Jon Rumpf	Present	
Dir. of Public Works, Marvin Dilks		Excused
Dir. of Real Estate, Jennifer Pesotski		Excused
Chief Financial Officer, Lorraine Boyer	Present	
Police Chief Craig Monahan	Present	
Municipal Clerk, Aileen Chiselko	Present	

B.) MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION – None

C.) QUESTIONS REGARDING RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED – None

D.) QUESTIONS REGARDING ORDINANCES SCHEDULED – None

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E.) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted of the Council Meeting of May 22, 2023 and the Special Council Meeting of May 24, 2023. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** and unanimously approved by all members of Council, except for **Cncl. Garbowski**, who Abstained from voting on the Special Council Meeting of May 24, 2023.

F.) CORRESPONDENCE – None

G.) RESOLUTIONS

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to open the public portion for Resolutions scheduled. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** and unanimously approved by all members of Council. With no one wishing to speak, **Cncl. Garbowski** made a motion to close the public portion for Resolutions scheduled. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** and unanimously approved by all members.

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to bracket for approval, by Consent Agenda, Resolutions R:170-2023 through R:195-2023 and Resolutions R:198-2023 through R:200-2023. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS R:170-2023 THROUGH R:195-2023
AND RESOLUTIONS R:198-2023 THROUGH R:200-2023**

R:170-2023 Resolution Authorizing Closed Executive Session of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe to Discuss Matters Falling Under Pending/Anticipated Litigation Subject to Attorney-Client Privilege Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(7)

R:171-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing an Extension of the Period of Time for Payment of Real Estate Taxes for the Third Quarter of 2023 for the Township of Monroe

R:172-2023 Resolution Approving the Bill List and Paid List for the Council Meeting of July 24, 2023

R:173-2023 Resolution Adjusting Township of Monroe Tax Records

R:174-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Endorsing a Sustainable Land Use Pledge

R:175-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Supporting Participation in the Mayors Wellness Campaign

R:176-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe in Support of the Location and Operation of a Class 5 Cannabis Retail Facility by The May Queen NJ, LLC

R:177-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement for Additional Terms and Conditions to Meet Federal Requirements as it Relates to Receipt of Lanternfly Chemical Treatment Grant Funds

R:178-2023 Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Shared Services Agreement Between the Township of Monroe and the County of Gloucester, New Jersey for Use of the Fuel System

R:179-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$236,968.20 for Blaze Mill Development, Subdivision #1838, Phase IV, Block 14101, Lot 1 and Block 141.0602, Lot 1.01

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G.) RESOLUTIONS (cont'd)

R:180-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$30,480.00 for Blaze Mill Development, Subdivision #1838, Phase IV, Block 14101, Lot 1 and Block 141.0602, Lot 1.01 (Landscape Buffer)

R:181-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$8,071.84 for Blaze Mill Development, Subdivision #1838, Phase IV, Block 14101, Lot 1 and Block 141.0602, Lot 1.01 (Safety and Stabilization)

R:182-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$266,037.60 for Blaze Mill Development, Subdivision #1838, Phase V, Block 14101, Lot 1 and Block 141.0602, Lot 1.01

R:183-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$11,880.00 for Blaze Mill Development, Subdivision #1838, Phase V, Block 14101, Lot 1 and Block 141.0602, Lot 1.01 (Landscape Buffer)

R:184-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$57,339.84 for NJSH Route 322 & Tuckahoe Road (CR 555), Site Plan #488-SP, Block 13901, Lot 1

R:185-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$13,128.62 for NJSH Route 322 & Tuckahoe Road (CR 555), Site Plan #488-SP, Block 13901, Lot 1 (Safety and Stabilization)

R:186-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Maintenance Guarantee in the Amount of \$5,326.95 for NJSH Route 322 & Tuckahoe Road (CR 555), Site Plan #488-SP, Block 13901, Lot 1 (Stormwater Management)

R:187-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$245,419.56 for The Greens, Subdivision #1854, Phase 2, Block 14801, Lot 12

R:188-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$34,740.00 for The Greens, Subdivision #1854, Phase 2, Block 14801, Lot 12 (Landscape Buffer)

R:189-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$24,728.00 for The Greens, Subdivision #1854, Phase 2, Block 14801, Lot 12 (Safety and Stabilization)

R:190-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$812,687.28 for Malaga Road Tract (A/K/A Malaga Meadows), Section 3, Subdivision #1828 (Block 2702, Lots 11, 15, 17, 40 and 41)

R:191-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$14,280.00 for Malaga Road Tract (A/K/A Malaga Meadows), Section 3, Subdivision #1828 (Block 2702, Lots 11, 15, 17, 40 and 41) (Landscape Buffer)

R:192-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$19,430.99 for Malaga Road Tract (A/K/A Malaga Meadows), Section 3, Subdivision #1828 (Block 2702, Lots 11, 15, 17, 40 and 41) (Safety and Stabilization)

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G.) RESOLUTIONS (cont'd)

R:193-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$302,994.00 for Malaga Road Tract (A/K/A Malaga Meadows), Section 4, Subdivision #1828 (Block 2702, Lots 11, 15, 17, 40 and 41)

R:194-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$8,812.38 for Malaga Road Tract (A/K/A Malaga Meadows), Section 4, Subdivision #1828 (Block 2702, Lots 11, 15, 17, 40 and 41) (Safety and Stabilization)

R:195-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Letter of Credit in the Amount of \$274,965.73 for Whitehall Gardens, Subdivision #1739, Section 5, Block 8001, Lot 28 (Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$266,905.20 and Safety and Stabilization Bond in the Amount of \$8,060.53)

R:196-2023 Resolution Appointing Member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission

Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt made a motion to approve Resolution R:196-2023. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Adams** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to open nominations for the Member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt nominated Albert Rossi as a member of the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. **Cncl. Heverly** seconded the nomination. No other nominations were made.

Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE NOMINATION OF ALBERT ROSSI
AS A MEMBER TO THE MONROE TOWNSHIP
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
7 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, O'Reilly, Valcourt)**

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. **Albert Rossi** was duly approved as a Member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission.

R:197-2023 Resolution Appointing Alternate #1 Member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to approve Resolution R:197-2023. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Cncl. McKinney questioned if this appointment was to fill the vacancy that was just created, to which **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** confirmed.

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to open nominations for Alternate #1 Member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. O'Reilly** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt nominated Gina Renee Burton as Alternate Member #1 to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission. **Cncl. O'Reilly** seconded the nomination. No other nominations were made.

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G.) RESOLUTIONS (cont'd)

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to close nominations. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE NOMINATION OF GINA RENEE BURTON
AS ALTERNATE #1 MEMBER TO THE MONROE TOWNSHIP
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
7 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, O'Reilly, Valcourt)**

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. **Gina Renee Burton** was duly approved as Alternate #1 Member to the Monroe Township Economic Development Commission.

R:198-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Discharge of Mortgage for the Property Located at 707 Van Gogh Court Williamstown, New Jersey, Known as Block 110.407, Lot 87, Qualifier

R:199-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$8,289.95 for Blaze Mill Development, Subdivision #1838, Phase V, Block 14101, Lot 1 and Block 141.0602, Lot 1.01 (Safety and Stabilization)

R:200-2023 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Side Letter Agreement in Relation to the Malaga Meadows Development

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to approve, by Consent Agenda, Resolutions R:170-2023 through R:195-2023 and Resolutions R:198-2023 through R:200-2023. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

J.) ORDINANCES

Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt made a motion to open the meeting to the public for the Ordinances listed on the agenda for Second Reading. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council. 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. Adams** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

O:23-2023 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. Vice-Pres. Valcourt made a motion to approve Ordinance O:23-2023 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:23-2023 FOR SECOND READING
AND PUBLIC HEARING –
7 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, O'Reilly, Valcourt)**

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Ordinance **O:23-2023** was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:24-2023 An Ordinance of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe to Amend Chapter 169 of the Code of the Township of Monroe, Entitled "Junkyards"

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J.) ORDINANCES (cont'd)

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

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:24-2023 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:24-2023 FOR SECOND READING
AND PUBLIC HEARING –**

7 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, O'Reilly, Valcourt)

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Ordinance **O:24-2023** was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:25-2023 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 267 of the Code of the Township of Monroe Entitled "Vehicles And Traffic" to Create Sections 267-17.4 and 267-17.5 to Govern the Installation of In-Street Pedestrian Crossing 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. Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:25-2023 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:25-2023 FOR SECOND READING
AND PUBLIC HEARING –**

7 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, O'Reilly, Valcourt)

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Ordinance **O:25-2023** was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:26-2023 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"

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

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:26-2023 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Adams** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:26-2023 FOR SECOND READING
AND PUBLIC HEARING –**

7 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, O'Reilly, Valcourt)

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Ordinance **O:26-2023** was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:27-2023 An Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of Officers and Employees of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey

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

Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt made a motion to approve Ordinance O:27-2023 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Adams** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

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J.) ORDINANCES (cont'd)

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:27-2023 FOR SECOND READING
AND PUBLIC HEARING –
7 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, O'Reilly, Valcourt)**

Tally: 7 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Ordinance O:27-2023 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:28-2023 An Ordinance of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Providing for the Implementation of the “Five Year Tax Exemption and Abatement Law” Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:21-1 Et Seq. and Approving Property Tax Agreement Between the Township of Monroe and Charles Street Developers, LLC, 2612 Highland Road, Block 9008, Lot 1

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. Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:28-2023 for First Reading and Publication. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. O'Reilly** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

O:29-2023 An Ordinance of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Purchase of Block 6001, Lot 19 from the Gloucester County 4H Association

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. Vice-Pres. Valcourt made a motion to approve Ordinance O:29-2023 for First Reading and Publication. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. O'Reilly** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

O:30-2023 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”

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. Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:30-2023 for First Reading and Publication. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Adams** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

I.) NEW BUSINESS – None

J.) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Cncl. Garbowski asked **Cncl. O'Reilly** for an update on the landfill. **Cncl. O'Reilly** stated, he has a report prepared to present during the next portion of the meeting.

L.) REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS

Mayor Wolfe attended the ground-breaking of the Community Center at The Greens Development on June 26th. On June 29th, he had a meeting with the Williamstown Sunshine Rotary Club and attended the Gloucester County Mayor's Association Meeting. Also, on June 29th, he met with a residential developer from town, who a lot of residents were having an issue with, and during the meeting he was able to work through and resolve the issue for the residents. Mayor Wolfe thanked and congratulated the Community Affairs Department on a very successful Patriotic Puppy Parade which was held on July 1st. On July 3rd, he attended the 4th of

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

July Celebration for the seniors at the Pfeiffer Community Center. Mayor Wolfe noted, he has received many compliments for the annual 4th of July fireworks display and only one complaint in reference to the line of sight. He thanked the Parks & Recreation and Community Affairs Departments, Williamstown Fire Department, Cecil Fire Department, and the Public Safety members who were in attendance. The Mayor reported, he has held many meetings with potential new businesses and has officiated nine (9) weddings during the month of July. Mayor Wolfe noted, he is hopeful that everyone is enjoying their summer.

Director of Code Enforcement, Mr. Sebastian reported, for the month of June, the Construction Department has performed 282 building inspections, 56 fire inspections, 209 electrical inspections, 197 plumbing inspections, and 40 mechanical inspections, for a total of 784 inspections. The Housing Department has performed 586 inspections, they are currently continuing with the yearly apartment complex inspections, and the Zoning Department had 164 applications reviewed, for a grand total of 1,534 inspections for the month of June and year to date, through June a grand total of 8,852 inspections.

Director of Community Affairs, Mrs. Park reported that on July 1st, the Patriotic Puppy Parade was held at the Dog Park, noting the event was a huge success. On July 3rd, the Department of Community Affairs held a 4th of July picnic at the Pfeiffer Community Center for the seniors. She thanked Mayor Wolfe, Michelle Carbonara and Christine Scola for attending the event. Mrs. Park advised that every Wednesday through the end of August from 10:30am until 4:30pm, Community Affairs will be handing out free boxes of fruit and vegetables on a first come, first serve basis to the residents of Monroe Township. The 2nd Annual Family Splash Fun Day will be held on August 12th from 1:00pm to 5:00pm at the Pfeiffer Community Center, all rides will be free of charge and wristbands will be \$5.00 per child for all of the games.

Director of Public Safety, Mr. Rumpf reported that the Police Department handled 5,046 calls for service for the month of June, with a grand total of 30,606 calls year to date. Williamstown Fire Department reported 74 calls for service in June along with 4 attended training drills, with a grand total of 331 calls for service year-to-date. He noted, he does not have the Cecil Fire Department's June report at this time. Mr. Rumpf recognized the Williamstown Police Department, Williamstown Fire Department, and Cecil Fire Department for a job well-done handling the fireworks, especially with the disbursement of all of the residents in attendance.

Police Chief Monahan reported that the Monroe Township Police Department graduated three (3) recruits from the Gloucester County Police Academy on July 7th. He congratulated Thomas Burton, Lawrence Fernan and Shawn Rehman, noting they will begin the Field Training Officer (FTO) program over the next few months.

Cncl. Adams invited all of the residents, on behalf of the Municipal Alliance Commission, to attend National Night Out on August 1st from 6:00pm to 9:00pm at Owens Memorial Park. National Night Out is a fun and educational community event for the entire family, which is hosted by the Municipal Alliance Commission and the Police Department.

Cncl. Garbowski expressed his condolences on the passing of Barbara Chamberlain on July 19th. Barbara served as a member of the Library Board of Trustees, Board of Trustees at Rowan University, and as the Vice-Chairperson of the Monroe Township Board of Education. Barbara's funeral services will be held on July 26th from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Norton Funeral Home.

Cncl. Heverly expressed his condolences and prayers for the family of Barbara Chamberlain.

Cncl. O'Reilly provided an update on the landfill, noting it is finally closed and the Township is finalizing a couple of items with the solar developer. He believes, barring any further delays, there will be shovels in the ground by the end of this year.

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

Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt expressed her condolences to Barbara Chamberlain's family. She noted, Ms. Chamberlain was always very active in the community and her absence will be felt.

Cncl. Pres. Fox reported that the Planning Board has been relatively quiet, so there is nothing new to report at this time, also noting that the Seniors Commission does not meet during the summer months. She expressed her condolences to Dr. Barbara Chamberlain's family, noting she was one of the most amazing, good-hearted, considerate women that she has ever met and her passing is a huge loss to the community.

L.) GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt made a motion to open the General Public Discussion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Heverly** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

Timothy Wright, AA Auto Salvage spoke regarding the towing applications that were due to be submitted to the Township by July 15th, noting he missed the deadline to submit his application. He asked for consent for Council's consideration to extend the deadline so that AA Auto Salvage can apply. He stated that he has submitted a simple affidavit to the two (2) applicants and is awaiting their response. **Solicitor Graise** explained, per Chapter 262 of the Township Code, it states applications are due by July 15th and the submission of a late application will not be considered. She advised, if Mr. Wright receives signed affidavits from the two (2) applicants providing their consent, that he should submit same to the Municipal Clerk to distribute to Council for further discussion.

Walter Schaefer, 217 Hickory Lane addressed Council to ask if the middle section of the Forest Hill Development will be paved in 2023. **Mayor Wolfe** explained the Road Program, noting he will have a copy of the road list forwarded to Mr. Schaefer. Mr. Schaefer spoke in reference to a "man-made" drain at the end of Hickory Lane, asking if the Township can schedule to have it cleaned out. Mr. Schaefer thanked the Mayor for his help with an issue that he had previously discussed.

Eric Fooder, 2014 Burlington Circle addressed Council to express his concerns with the need for the Township to create and adopt a rent control ordinance specifically to help the senior residents.

Robert Fetter, 425 S. Main Street expressed his concerns with how he is not able to park in front of his apartment without being issued a ticket. Mr. Fetter thanked the Mayor, the Community Affairs Department and the Sunshine Rotary for providing the weekly fruits and vegetables this summer.

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

At this time, **Cncl. Pres. Fox** advised that Council will be going into Closed Session to discuss Resolution R:170-2023, relating to pending/anticipated litigation. **Solicitor Graise** advised action will not be taken.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

M.) ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to discuss, **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Valcourt** made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting of July 24, 2023. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Garbowski** and unanimously approved by all members of Council.

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Respectfully submitted,

Aileen Chiselko
Aileen Chiselko
Municipal Clerk

[Signature]
Presiding Officer

These minutes were prepared from excerpts of the recorded proceedings, as well as hand-written notes taken, of the Council Meeting of July 24, 2023, 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 acc
Approved as corrected _____

Date 8/28/2023
Date _____