

ORDINANCE O:33-2023

TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE 2023

BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$4,260,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$4,047,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Gloucester, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law, Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented ("Local Bond Law"), as follows:

Section 1. The purposes described in Section 7 hereof are hereby authorized as general improvements to be made or acquired by the Township of Monroe, County of Gloucester, New Jersey ("Township").

Section 2. It is hereby found, determined and declared as follows:

- (a) the estimated amount to be raised by the Township from all sources for the purposes stated in Section 7 hereof is \$4,260,000;
- (b) the estimated amount of bonds or bond anticipation notes to be issued for the purposes stated in Section 7 hereof is \$4,047,000; and
- (c) a down payment in the amount of \$213,000 for the purposes stated in Section 7 hereof is currently available in accordance with the requirements of Section 11 of the Local Bond Law, *N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11*.

Section 3. The sum of \$4,047,000, to be raised by the issuance of bonds or bond anticipation notes, together with the sum of \$213,000, which amount represents the required down payment, are hereby appropriated for the purposes stated in this bond ordinance ("Bond Ordinance").

Section 4. The issuance of negotiable bonds of the Township in an amount not to exceed \$4,047,000 to finance the costs of the purposes described in Section 7 hereof is hereby authorized. Said bonds shall be sold in accordance with the requirements of the Local Bond Law.

Section 5. In order to temporarily finance the purposes described in Section 7 hereof, the issuance of bond anticipation notes of the Township in an amount not to exceed \$4,047,000 is hereby authorized. Pursuant to the Local Bond Law, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver the same to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their date to delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this Bond Ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 6. The amount of the proceeds of the obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance which may be used for the payment of interest on such obligations, accounting, engineering, legal fees and other items as provided in Section 20 of the Local Bond Law, *N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20*, shall not exceed the sum of \$852,000.

Section 7. The improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for which said obligations are to be issued; the estimated costs of each said purpose; the amount of down payment for each said purpose; the maximum amount obligations to be issued for each said purpose and the period of usefulness of each said purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law are as follows:

<u>Purpose/Improvement</u>	<u>Estimated Total Cost</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Amount of Obligations</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
A. Acquisition of Various Information Technology Equipment for Township Offices, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	\$20,000	\$1,000	\$19,000	7 years
B. Acquisition of Various Equipment for the Police Department including, but not limited to, Video Cameras, Radars, Radios, Body-Worn Cameras, E-Ticket Equipment, Traffic Sign Boards and Radar Trailer, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	155,000	7,750	147,250	5 years
C. Acquisition of Various Equipment for the Cecil Fire Department including, but not limited to, Turn-Out Gear and Crew and Apparatus Equipment, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	22,500	1,125	21,375	5 years
D. Acquisition of Various Equipment for the Williamstown Fire Department including, but not limited to, Fire Tools and Equipment, SCBA Gear, and Radios and Pagers, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	\$92,500	\$4,625	\$87,875	5 years

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E.	Improvements to and Substantial Rehabilitation of Vehicles for Department of Emergency Management, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	10,000	500	9,500	5 years
F.	Completion of Various Road and Infrastructure Upgrades and Improvements, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	1,700,000	85,000	1,615,000	10 years
G.	Reconstruction, Repaving and Striping of Various Roads as part of 2023 Road Program, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	200,000	10,000	190,000	10 years
H.	Building Improvements for the Public Works Department including, but not limited to, Extension of Three-Sided Equipment Building, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	145,000	7,250	137,750	15 years
I.	Acquisition of Various Equipment for the Township Public Works Department including, but not limited to, Salt Boxes for Snow-Plow Trucks, Mower Equipment and Roadside Mower, Automated Trash Containers, Roll-Off Containers and Dumpsters, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	365,000	18,250	346,750	10 years
J.	Various Storm Drainage Improvements in the Township, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	150,000	7,500	142,500	40 years
K.	Acquisition of Various Heavy Equipment for the Public Works Department including, but not limited to, Rear Loading Garbage Truck and Skid Steer with Attachments, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	400,000	20,000	380,000	15 years
L.	Completion of Various Improvements to Municipal Owned Buildings including, but not limited to, electrical, plumbing, flooring, doors and windows, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	200,000	10,000	190,000	15 years
M.	Various Improvements to the Pfeiffer Center Grounds, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	150,000	7,500	142,500	15 years

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N. Completion of Various Improvements for the Township Parks and Recreational Department, together with the acquisition of all materials and equipment and completion of all work necessary therefor or related thereto	650,000	32,500	617,500	15 years
Total	\$4,260,000	\$213,000	\$4,047,000	

Section 8. The average period of useful life of the several purposes for the financing of which this Bond Ordinance authorizes the issuance of bonds or bond anticipation notes, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized for said several purposes, is not less than 12.52 years.

Section 9. Grants or other monies received from any governmental entity, if any, will be applied to the payment of, or repayment of obligations issued to finance the costs of the purposes described in Section 7 above.

Section 10. The supplemental debt statement provided for in Section 10 of the Local Bond Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:2-10, was duly filed in the office of the Clerk prior to the passage of this Bond Ordinance on first reading and a complete executed duplicate original thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. The supplemental debt statement shows that the gross debt of the Township, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:2-43, is increased by this Bond Ordinance by \$4,047,000 and that the obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 11. The full faith and credit of the Township are irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by this Bond Ordinance, and to the extent payment is not otherwise provided, the Township shall levy *ad valorem* taxes on all taxable real property without limitation as to rate or amount for the payment thereof.

Section 12. The Capital Budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Bond Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith, and the resolution promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended Capital Budget and Capital Program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Clerk and available for inspection.

Section 13. The Township hereby declares its intent to reimburse itself from the proceeds of the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by this Bond Ordinance pursuant to Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2(e), promulgated under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code"), for "original expenditures", as defined in Income Tax Regulation Section 1.150-2(c)(2), made by the Township prior to the issuance of such bonds or bond anticipation notes.

Section 14. The Township hereby covenants as follows:

(a) it shall take all actions necessary to ensure that the interest paid on the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized by the Bond Ordinance is exempt from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income taxation purposes, and will not become a specific item of tax preference pursuant to Section 57(a)(5) of the Code;

(b) it will not make any use of the proceeds of the bonds or bond anticipation notes or do or suffer any other action that would cause the bonds or bond anticipation notes to be "arbitrage bonds" as such term is defined in Section 148(a) of the Code and the Regulations promulgated thereunder;

(c) it shall calculate or cause to be calculated and pay, when due, the rebatable arbitrage with respect to the "gross proceeds" (as such term is used in Section 148(f) of the Code) of the bonds or bond anticipation notes;

(d) it shall timely file with the Internal Revenue Service, such information report or reports as may be required by Sections 148(f) and 149(e) of the Code; and

(e) it shall take no action that would cause the bonds or bond anticipation notes to be "federally guaranteed" within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Code.

Section 15. The improvements authorized hereby are not current expenses and are improvements that the Township may lawfully make. No part of the cost of the improvements authorized hereby has been or shall be specially assessed on any property specially benefited thereby.

Section 16. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 17. In accordance with the Local Bond Law, this Bond Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

TOWNSHIP OF MONROE

CNCL. PRES., CAROLANN FOX

ATTEST:

**Twp. Clerk, Aileen Chiselko, RMC
or Deputy Clerk, Jennifer Harbison, RMC**

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe held on the 11th day of September, 2023, and will be considered for final passage and adoption at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe to be held on 11th day of September, 2023 at the Municipal Building, 125 Virginia Avenue, Williamstown, New Jersey 08094, at which time any person interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard.

**Twp. Clerk, Aileen Chiselko, RMC
or Deputy Clerk, Jennifer Harbison, RMC**

ROLL CALL VOTE

1st Reading

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Cncl. Adams				
Cncl. Garbowski				
Cncl. Heverly				
Cncl. McKinney				
Cncl. O'Reilly				
Cncl. Valcourt				
Cncl. Pres. Fox				
Tally:				

2nd Reading

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Cncl. Adams				
Cncl. Garbowski				
Cncl. Heverly				
Cncl. McKinney				
Cncl. O'Reilly				
Cncl. Valcourt				
Cncl. Pres. Fox				
Tally:				

The foregoing ordinance was hereby approved by the Mayor of the Township of Monroe on this ____ day of _____, 2023.

MAYOR GREGORY A. WOLFE