

**MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
APRIL 24, 2024**

A.) OPENING CEREMONIES

CALL TO ORDER

The Council Meeting of the Township of Monroe was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by **Cncl. Pres., Chelsea Valcourt** 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., Chelsea Valcourt 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. McKinney led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag. **Cncl. Fox** offered the Invocation.

ROLL CALL

Cncl. Denise Adams	Present	
Cncl. Carolann Fox	Present	
Cncl. Ronald Garbowski	Present	
Cncl. Vice-Pres. Donald Heverly	Present	
Cncl. Steven McKinney	Present	
Cncl. Patrick O'Reilly		Excused
Cncl. Pres. Chelsea Valcourt	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		Excused
Dir. of Community Development, Joseph Marino	Present	
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	Present	
Chief Financial Officer, Lorraine Boyer	Present	
Police Chief Ryan Borkowski	Present	
Municipal Clerk, Aileen Chiselko	Present	

At this time, **Mayor Wolfe** made the following appointment:

Parks & Recreation Commission – Ariella Purdy

**ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT TO
THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION,
WHICH REQUIRES ADVICE AND CONSENT OF COUNCIL
6 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, Valcourt), 1 ABSENT (O'Reilly)**

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Mayor's appointment of Ariella Purdy to the Parks & Recreation Commission was duly approved by Council.

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B.) PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS

- Certificate of Recognition – 2023-2024 “Gloucester County Teachers Recognition Program” Award Recipients

Cncl. Pres. Valcourt, Cncl. Vice-Pres. Heverly, Superintendent, Dr. Brian McBride, and Mayor Wolfe presented Certificates of Recognition to Daniel Torcasio of Williamstown High School, Anne-Marie Reber of Williamstown Middle School, Matthew O’Toole of Holly Glen Elementary School, Allison McGuire of Oak Knoll Elementary School, Marielaina Jones of Radix Elementary School and Kathleen Goffredi of Whitehall Elementary School for being recipients of the Gloucester County Teacher Recognition Program for the 2023-2024 School Year.

C.) MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION – None

D.) QUESTIONS REGARDING RESOLUTIONS SCHEDULED – None

E.) QUESTIONS REGARDING ORDINANCES SCHEDULED

Mayor Wolfe spoke regarding Ordinance O:19-2024, Chapter 230 “Peddlers and Solicitors”, asking that Council Table the Ordinance until the next Ordinance Committee Meeting, as he was not in attendance at the last Council Meeting and would like to have some input and discussions prior to it being presented for First Reading. **Cncl. Fox** made a motion to Table Ordinance O:19-2024 until the next scheduled Ordinance Committee Meeting. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Heverly** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE MAYOR’S REQUEST TO
TABLE ORDINANCE O:19-2024**

6 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, Valcourt), 1 ABSENT (O’Reilly)

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Mayor’s request to Table Ordinance O:19-2024 was duly approved by Council.

F.) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted of the Council Meeting of March 27, 2024 and Council Meeting of April 10, 2024. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Adams** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance with the exception of **Cncl. McKinney** who Abstained from voting on the Council Meeting Minutes of April 10, 2024.

G.) CORRESPONDENCE

- Carnival Permit – Radix Elementary PTA

Municipal Clerk, Aileen Chiselko advised that all paperwork is in order; however, she is awaiting a renewed Certificate of Insurance as the current certificate will be expiring before the event, which she should be receiving this week. **Cncl. Garbowski** made a motion to approve the Carnival Permit for Radix Elementary PTA contingent upon receiving the renewed Certificate of Insurance. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

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H.) RESOLUTIONS

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to open the public portion for Resolutions scheduled. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Adams** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance. 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. Adams** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to bracket for approval, by Consent Agenda, Resolutions R:138-2024 through R:150-2024. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS R:138-2024 THROUGH R:150-2024

R:138-2024 Resolution Approving the Bill List and Paid List for the Council Meeting of April 24, 2024

R:139-2024 Resolution Adjusting Township of Monroe Tax Records

R:140-2024 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Request for Proposals (RFP) for Development Counsel for the Remainder of 2024

R:141-2024 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee, in the Form of a Cash Bond, in the Amount of \$8,100.00 for Copart of Connecticut, Inc., Site Plan #SP-529 (Block 5701, Lots 5 & 9)

R:142-2024 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Safety & Stabilization Bond, in the Form of a Cash Bond, in the Amount of \$9,619.07 for Copart of Connecticut, Inc., Site Plan #SP-529 (Block 5701, Lots 5 & 9)

R:143-2024 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Performance Guarantee in the Amount of \$294,000.00 for Grandview Mews, Subdivision #1839, Block 801, Lots 7, 8, 10, 11, 14 & 15.01

R:144-2024 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Safety & Stabilization Guarantee in the Amount of \$9,850.00 for Grandview Mews, Subdivision #1839, Block 801, Lots 7, 8, 10, 11, 14 & 15.01

R:145-2024 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing the Acceptance of a Maintenance Bond in the Amount of \$332,544.36 for the Construction of Whispering Woods, Phase II Within the Township of Monroe

R:146-2024 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Change Order No. 1 for South State, Inc. in the Decreased Amount of \$46,653.14 for Services Associated with the NJDOT FY 2022 Municipal Aid Whispering Woods Project, Phase II, in the Township of Monroe, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey

R:147-2024 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, Gloucester County, Releasing Retainage for the FY' 2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Whispering Woods Phase II

R:148-2024 Resolution Authorizing the Township of Monroe to Enter into a Contract with Keith Bonchi, Esquire to Provide Professional Legal Services for the Handling of Foreclosures on Behalf of the Township of Monroe for the Year 2024

R:149-2024 Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application and to Execute a Grant Contract with Gloucester County for FY 2024 Community Development Block Grant Funding for Improvements to the Municipal Building Within the Township of Monroe

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H.) RESOLUTIONS (cont'd)

R:150-2024 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)

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to approve, by Consent Agenda, Resolutions R:138-2024 through R:150-2024. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Adams** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

I.) ORDINANCES

Cncl. Garbowski 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. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance. 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. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

O:14-2024 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. Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:14-2024 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:14-2024 FOR SECOND READING
AND PUBLIC HEARING –
6 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, Valcourt), 1 ABSENT (O'Reilly)**

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance **O:14-2024** was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:15-2024 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 \$5,278,500 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 \$5,014,575; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing

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:15-2024 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance with the exception of **Cncl. McKinney** who Abstained from voting.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:15-2024 FOR SECOND READING
AND PUBLIC HEARING –
5 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, Valcourt), 1 ABSTAIN (McKinney),
1 ABSENT (O'Reilly)**

Tally: 5 Ayes, 0 Nay, 1 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance **O:15-2024** was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

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I.) ORDINANCES (cont'd)

O:16-2024 An Ordinance of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe to Amend Chapter 126 of the Code of the Township of Monroe, Entitled "Business Insurance Registration"

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:16-2024 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:16-2024 FOR SECOND READING
AND PUBLIC HEARING –**

6 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, Valcourt), 1 ABSENT (O'Reilly)

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance O:16-2024 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:17-2024 An Ordinance of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, Amending the Monroe Township Municipal Code to Establish Chapter 137, Entitled "Restricted Areas in Buildings Where Municipal Operations are Conducted Limited to Authorized Employees Only to Protect and Safeguard Public Records Containing Confidential Information"

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:17-2024 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:17-2024 FOR SECOND READING
AND PUBLIC HEARING –**

6 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, Valcourt), 1 ABSENT (O'Reilly)

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance O:17-2024 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

O:18-2024 An Ordinance of the Township of Monroe, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 175 of the Township 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. Garbowski made a motion to approve Ordinance O:18-2024 for Second Reading and Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

**ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O:18-2024 FOR SECOND READING
AND PUBLIC HEARING –**

6 AYES (Adams, Fox, Garbowski, Heverly, McKinney, Valcourt), 1 ABSENT (O'Reilly)

Tally: 6 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent. Ordinance O:18-2024 was duly approved for Second Reading and Public Hearing.

J.) NEW BUSINESS – None

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K.) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Solicitor Graise noted that on March 27, 2024, Resolution R:117-2024 was passed in regard to two projects for the sanitary landfill, which the Township is receiving grants for, noting the Resolution encompassed the execution of approval letters, in addition to two agreements which were recently received and have to be reviewed. She wanted to update Council that no new Resolutions are needed, as the agreements are covered under Resolution R:117-2024.

Cncl. Pres. Valcourt asked for an approximate timeline as to when the Council Meetings will be recorded and/or live-streamed, to which **Business Administrator, Jim DeHart** advised that June 9, 2024 is the date that the new sound equipment is scheduled to begin installation which should take approximately one (1) week to complete. He noted, once the installation is complete, the Clerk's Office and Planning Board Office will be trained on the new equipment.

L.) REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS

Mayor Wolfe attended the Main Street Festival on April 13th, which was a very successful event and was the largest Main Street Festival on record. He commended the Department of Community Affairs led by Director Donna Park, Parks and Recreation Department led by Director Brian Cope, and Brandee Derieux of Community Affairs for a job well done with the event. On April 19th, he attended a dance for the students with disabilities in Monroe Township at the Pfeiffer Community Center. He thanked the Department of Community Affairs along with all of the volunteers who helped to make the event a success. On April 21st, he attended the Williamstown High School Indoor Band Competition at Williamstown High School, where he was honored to present the awards during the awards ceremony. He thanked the Band Director, Mr. Val Kuntz for being included and commended the band on a great performance. On April 23rd, he attended the monthly Gloucester County Mayor's Association Meeting. The Mayor also attended a few firehouse meetings, noting the project is moving along quickly, finalizing the plans for the new firehouse on Main Street. He stated, he is hopeful that the project will be advertised for bid at one of upcoming May meetings. Mayor Wolfe has attended many meetings with new businesses, along with meetings with the various departments, employees, and residents, and has officiated one (1) wedding in the month of April. He noted that he hopes everyone has enjoyed the first edition of the Township Newsletter, which was released at the beginning of April, advising that physical copies are available at both entrances of the Municipal Building, the Pfeiffer Community Center, the Public Library, and the Public Works Department and digital copies are available on the Township website and social media pages. Mayor Wolfe hopes that everyone enjoyed their Easter Holiday and is looking forward to seeing everyone at the upcoming Township events this summer.

Deputy Mayor Kurz attended a ribbon cutting on April 12th with several other officials for Spektrum Behavioral Interventions located at 1030 Main Street, which will serve the needs of autistic children. On April 17th, he had the honor of welcoming the veterans who participated in the Honor Flight, thanking the veterans for their service. Deputy Mayor Kurz stated that recently the Cecil Fire Company lost a longtime member, Mr. Robert Clark, and offered his condolences to the Clark family.

Solicitor, Mrs. Graise spoke regarding the December 13, 2023 Land Sale, noting that there were approximately forty-five (45) properties sold by the Township to bidders and purchasers. She reported, all of the deeds and corresponding documents have been prepared and will be ready tomorrow for pickup at the Municipal Clerk's Office.

Director of Code Enforcement, Mr. Sebastian reported, for the month of March, the Construction Department has performed 216 building inspections, 63 fire inspections, 149 electrical inspections, 44 plumbing inspections, and 99 mechanical inspections, for a total of 571 inspections. The Housing Department has performed 188 inspections and the Zoning Department had 153 applications reviewed, for a grand total of 912 inspections for the month of March and year to date, 2,657 inspections.

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

Director of Parks & Recreation, Mr. Cope reported that the annual Music Festival will be held on Saturday, June 1st from 5:00pm to 10:00pm at Owens Park. He noted, there will be over one hundred (100) vendors, amusements for all ages, food trucks, three (3) bands on two (2) stages and the fireworks display, which will begin at 10:00pm.

Director of Public Safety, Mr. Rumpf reported that the Williamstown Fire Department reported 57 calls for service with a total of 135 hours in March, attended two (2) working fires, one (1) was a very large commercial building fire, and attended four (4) drills. The Cecil Fire Department reported 32 calls for service with a total of 93 hours in March and attended two (2) working fires. Mr. Rumpf expressed his condolences to the Clark family for their loss. The Monroe Township Police Department handled 4,444 calls for service for the month of March and year to date, 12,766 total calls.

Cncl. Adams congratulated all of the teachers who were honored earlier this evening. She had the privilege to attend the Honor Flight Ceremony hosted at Williamstown High School, noting it was a very rewarding experience and encouraged everyone to attend a future ceremony. She attended the 80's themed dance on Friday evening for the youth with disabilities, where she and everyone in attendance had a wonderful time. Cncl. Adams commended the Parks and Recreation and Community Affairs Departments for a job well done and for continuing to outdo themselves with the events that they host. On April 25th, at the Pfeiffer Community Center, there is an event scheduled, which is sponsored by the Municipal Alliance Commission where the attendees will be making memorial bird houses for individuals who have been lost due to addiction. She encouraged everyone to attend the second annual Finn's Friends Autism Awareness Event, which will be held at the Pfeiffer Community Center on Saturday, April 27th from 11:00am to 2:00pm. Cncl. Adams reported, the Economic Development Commission is gaining some momentum, noting it is exciting to see what the team is working on, the welcome packets for the businesses and residents, along with forming many subcommittees, and moving in the right direction. Cncl. Adams stated that voting has begun for the Best of Gloucester County, encouraging everyone to vote for their favorite business in Monroe Township at www.gcbestof.com.

Cncl. Fox attended the Seniors Commission meeting on April 4th. On June 10th, the Senior Commission will be hosting a trip to Tomasello Winery and the casinos, noting tickets will be on sale at the Pfeiffer Community Center on May 1st between 12:00pm and 2:00pm and on May 7th between 3:00pm and 5:00pm. On April 12th, she attended a ribbon cutting ceremony for Spektrum Behavioral Interventions, congratulating them and wishing them the best. On April 17th, she attended the MMUA meeting, where there is nothing new to report. On April 17th, she attended the Honor Flight Ceremony at Williamstown High School, noting it was an honor to attend the ceremony and encouraged everyone to attend a future Honor Flight Ceremony. Cncl. Fox congratulated all of the teachers honored.

Cncl. Garbowski reported that the Monroe Township Public Library will be hosting their annual Book Sale this Saturday, April 27th from 10:00am to 3:00pm, along with a meet and greet with several authors at the same time. Cncl. Garbowski stated that there are several commercial properties along the Black Horse Pike that are in disrepair, which he believes are a disgrace to the Township, safety hazards, and projects a bad vision for Monroe. He noted, he believes that the Township needs to begin enforcing the current Ordinances or update the Ordinances. **Mayor Wolfe** addressed Cncl. Garbowski's concerns with the commercial properties, noting the Township is working on the abandoned property on Sicklerville Road. He has spoken with the developer and it is scheduled to be torn down by the summer. The property on the corner of Route 322 and Sicklerville Road is fenced in and construction has begun to clean up the property. He advised that the Code has been recently updated to provide more enforcement with the commercial vacant properties. Cncl. Garbowski spoke regarding some vacant properties located in front of the Forest Hills Development and along Main Street, which he believes pose a safety concern, to which the Mayor said he will address.

Cncl. Vice-Pres., Mr. Heverly congratulated the teachers honored. He also attended the multiple Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies with members of Council and Deputy Mayor Kurz, along

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

with the events the Mayor spoke of, the Craft Festival and the dance for the children with disabilities. Cncl. Vice-Pres. Mr. Heverly spoke in regards to the Honor Flight Ceremony, encouraging everyone to attend the event in the future, noting it is extremely specific to Monroe Township, as Williamstown High School is the only school and township within the state of New Jersey that welcomes the Veterans home the way they do. The event is an emotional event to the Veterans, to the students and to everyone involved. Cncl. Vice-Pres. Heverly commended the entire student body at Williamstown High School, the staff and the Monroe Township Police Department for providing such a top-notch send-off and welcome home to the veterans.

Cncl. Pres. Valcourt congratulated the teachers honored earlier this evening. She attended the Main Street Craft Fair, noting she has never seen the event so diversified and so varied in its offerings, it was truly an event that had something for everyone in attendance. Cncl. Pres. Valcourt stated, she is eagerly awaiting the next Township event, the Music Festival, which is only thirty-eight (38) days away.

M.) GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Cncl. Garbowski made a motion to open the General Public Discussion. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Fox** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

Michael Mellace, owner of Pink Harbor CPA congratulated the newly appointed Police Chief, Ryan Borkowski and commended the Police Department on a job well done. Mr. Mellace spoke regarding the property tax freeze, which is nicknamed the "senior freeze", expressing his concerns on how difficult it is for the seniors to apply and receive the benefits. He spoke regarding how he would like to create a private/public partnership with the township to promote the program, explaining the ways the partnership would be able to help the seniors apply.

Jerry Lodge, 1464 North Tuckahoe Road, spoke regarding the buffer between his property and Hamilton Greene, which has been removed, asking for a status update on the replacement plan. **Business Administrator, Mr. DeHart** informed Mr. Lodge that he, along with Solicitor Graise, received an email letter today from the Remington & Vernick Engineers regarding the property, noting he has not yet been provided the new buffer plan. He assured Mr. Lodge that he is staying on top of his concerns and that he will keep in communication with Mr. Lodge as he receives any information. **Mr. Lodge** noted that he enjoyed the Main Street Arts Festival and the Mayor's newsletter.

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

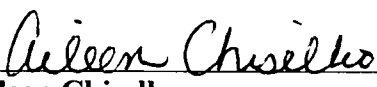
At this time, **Cncl. Valcourt** advised that Council will be going into Closed Executive Session to discuss Resolution R:150-2024, relating to pending/anticipated litigation and advised that no action will be taken during the Closed Executive Session.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

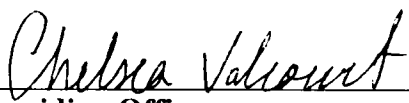
N.) ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to discuss, **Cncl. Garbowski** made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting of April 24, 2024. The motion was seconded by **Cncl. Vice-Pres. Heverly** and unanimously approved by all members of Council in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,



Aileen Chiselko
Municipal Clerk



Chelsea Valcourt
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 Council Meeting of April 24, 2024, 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 5/22/2024
Date _____