



Township of Monroe



I hope all is well with you and your family and that you enjoyed your summer. As we enter to the fall season, I would like to remind everyone that our children are back in school, and to please be mindful, some children are walking to and from school. Also, keep in mind the New Jersey Traffic Laws regarding safe passage of school buses.

If you haven't heard already, the construction project of the Williamstown Fire House, located on Main Street, has begun. This project has been a long-anticipated project, years in the making, that never seemed to get pushed over the edge. We are extremely excited that we were able to finally get the project started, but we are even more excited that we were able to cut the project from an initial \$16 million-dollar proposal in 2022 to a \$7.3 million-dollar proposal in 2024, while keeping all of the necessities for our firefighters to serve our community, well into the future. Also, we are very thankful that NJ State Senator Paul Moriarty, NJ State Assemblymen Cody Miller and Dan Hutchinson were able to secure a \$400,000 grant to assist with the funding. I want to personally thank our volunteer firefighters, their building committee, and our Monroe Township Council Members for all their hard work to bring this project to fruition.

Some other exciting news this quarter, Monroe Township was selected by the Gloucester County Chamber of Commerce to host their annual "Best of Gloucester County Awards Ceremony" at our Owens Memorial Park in September. This was a tremendous opportunity for Monroe Township to showcase all that Monroe Township has to offer. This event was very well attended from residents and business owners throughout Gloucester County. We have received many compliments on our park as well as the excellent job our people did in organizing this event.

Also, this quarter we had the honor and privilege of dedicating our Monroe Township Dog Park to our Former Mayor Richard DiLucia, who was instrumental in ensuring the park was constructed to serve our residents who are pet friendly and provide space for them to enjoy recreation. Mayor DiLucia dedicated fourteen years of service to this Township as a Council Member and then Mayor.

We also dedicated the Monroe Township Free Public Library Complex to our Former Mayor Michael F. Gabbianelli, who was instrumental in securing the property and construction of our Library. Mayor Gabbianelli served our community as a police officer, serving and protecting residents for twenty-five years, and then served our residents as Mayor for an additional twelve years. Mayor Gabbianelli has positively contributed to so many things within our Monroe Township Community. Both Mayor DiLucia and Mayor Gabbianelli are sadly missed, but it was such a great honor to dedicated these locations in their names.

Lastly, in our previous newsletter, I unveiled and introduced the beginning of the Mayor's Opioid Task Force. This team consists of Members of our Police Department, members of the Monroe Township Public School District, Religious Leaders, individuals who suffer from addiction, bereaved loved ones, and individuals who want to make our community safer and better for all. Together, this team hosted a touching ceremony, "Healing in Unity", to remember those who lost their lives to addiction and to provide support to loved ones in their healing process. This was a very special and emotional night. As a team, we will continue to provide education, awareness, and resources to members of our community and their families who are impacted from addiction.

I hope you enjoy the cooler weather and the fall season and I look forward to seeing all of you at our annual Fall Festival and Halloween Parade, which is the best in the State of New Jersey!

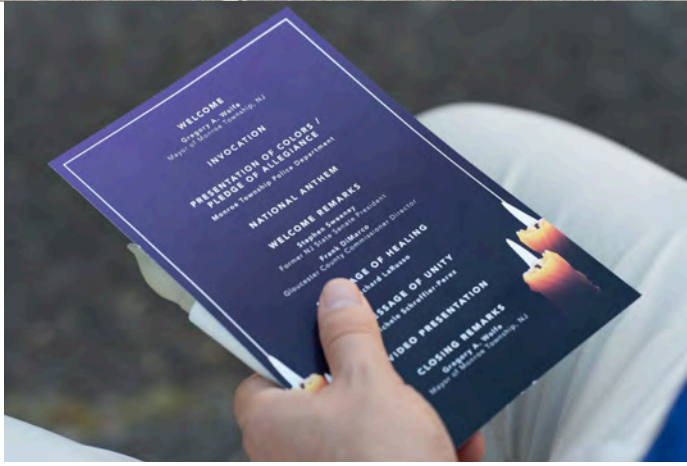
Warmest Regards, Mayor Greg Wolfe

We Heard You!

Subscribe, on our website, to receive an electronic version of our newsletter every quarter!

OR you can continue view our newsletter on our website, Facebook page, or receive a hard copy at the Pfeiffer Center, Monroe Township Free Public Library, and Public Works office.

Healing in Unity Memorial Vigil



Thank you to our Opioid Task Force for coming together and volunteering their time to make a difference in our community.

Healing in Unity Memorial Vigil

Quotes from Bereaved Loved Ones:

I lost my daughter to Fentanyl Overdose Poisoning. Even through our pain, the love that was felt the night of the vigil brought comfort knowing we were not alone.

~ Mary Kitchen, Swedesboro



I am grateful that our community came together to support and spread awareness to overdose victims. As a mother who lost her son to this horrible disease, having the education, means and support to recover, is key to help end this epidemic.

-Danielle Dolgos



ACENDA
INTEGRATED HEALTH

- *Walk in and Get Help at the Police Station.*
- *Any Substance Use Disorder*
- *No questions, no stigma, completely voluntary*
- *No insurance, no problem*

Straight to Treatment Recovery Specialist:
(856) 766-8870

Help Is Available

Remote Office-
Townhall; First Floor
125 Virginia Avenue,
Williamstown NJ 08094
Every Monday from
2:30 to 6:30 PM



The Township of Monroe dedicated the Monroe Township Dog Park to Mayor Richard DiLucia. We were joined by family, friends, dogs, Mayor Greg Wolfe, Director Brian Cope, Councilwoman Carolann Fox, and many others to show appreciation for Mayor DiLucia.



*The Township of Monroe dedicated the **Monroe Township Free Public Library complex to Mayor Michael Gabbianelli.***

Friends, family, Mayor Greg Wolfe, Council President Chelsea Valcourt, Council Vice President Don Heverly, Councilwoman Carolann Fox, Director Brian Cope, and many more, to honor Mayor Gabbianelli.



Williamstown Fire Company

“The Williamstown Fire Company No.1 Inc. is happy to announce the demolition and reconstruction of Station 1 located at the intersection of Main St. and Virginia Ave in the heart of Williamstown.

This project has been in the works for the past 12 years and has received all of the approvals to move forward. The Williamstown Fire Company No 1 Inc. is a 100% volunteer based fire department that has been serving our community since 1909. This is an exciting time for our department.

We would like to thank Mayor Wolfe and Monroe Township Council for their support of this project. Most importantly, we would like to thank all of the members who served on the building committee. These members have put in countless hours designing a building that would be feasible for the operations of our department not only for today, but for the future as well.

Finally, we would like to thank all of the residents of Monroe Township for their continued support through the years. Your support is what helps keep this department moving forward.”





Past and current presidents, many lifelong members, family, friends, Council Vice President Don Heverly, Councilwoman Denise Adams and Mayor Greg Wolfe attended the groundbreaking ceremony.

Monroe Township Police Department



Help Bag Hunger Event



Cone with a Cop



Sunrise Comfort Bears and Blankets



MTPD SRO's First Day back to school!



Platoon B of the Monroe Township Police Department was dispatched for a report of a physical altercation. When officers arrived, they observed an occupied vehicle with three additional males standing near the vehicle, who were later confirmed to be involved in the altercation. When officers made contact with the males, a short foot pursuit ensued. The officers apprehended four subjects, three adult males and one juvenile male and a total of three loaded handguns were recovered.

Please congratulate Bravo Platoon on their outstanding work and dedication to keeping our residents safe!!!

Monroe Township hosted the *Best of Gloucester County* event on September 30th, 2024 at Owen's Park.

Mayor Greg Wolfe, Council President Chelsea Valcourt, Council Vice President Don Heverly, Councilwoman Carolann Fox, Director Brian Cope and many more were in attendance. Thank you to everyone who came together to put on an amazing!



Congratulations to our Williamstown Winners!

Oscar's Carpet One- Carpet/Floor Coverings
Creative Juices By Kari- Entertainer
Zero Tolerance- Machine Shop



Melodies on Main



Shout out to Sugar Rush Rocks, The Core Band, Anger Management Band, our vendors, EDC and our community for THREE AMAZING EVENTS.

LAST EVENT THIS YEAR!

**The Economic Development Commission
Presents:**

Melodies on Main

Thursday October 17, 2024

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Williamstown, NJ

**(between Bluebell Road
and
Washington Avenue)**

Featuring:

Anger Management Band

**Face painting, bounce house, live music,
vendors, and local businesses.**

13th Child Brewery

Traveling Tomato

Flo Nutrition

Kona Ice

Mr. Softee

Hands Down BBQ

Elite Taste

Alex's Lemonade

Fall 2024 Arts and Crafts Festival



Thank you to our volunteers, vendors, and community for making this festival our best yet!

Community Event Calendar

10/01/2024

**Holiday Toy Drive Kick Off
@ Pfeiffer Center
Donate new, unwrapped
gifts for children age 0-16
in our community.**

10/19/2024

**Fall Festival
@Owens Park
10AM-2PM**

10/19/2024

**Halloween Parade
@Main Street
7PM**

10/19/2024

**Scarecrows on Main Street
@Main Street
Contest winners to be
announced at Halloween
Parade**

10/24/2024

**Senior Halloween Dance
@Pfeifer Center
4PM-7PM
SOLD OUT**

10/25/2024

**Trunk or Treat
@Pfeifer Center Parking
Lot
6PM-7:30PM**

10/26/2024

**Howl-O-ween Puppy
Parade
@R. DiLucia Dog Park
10AM**

11/01/2024

**Do You Want to
Build a Snowman?
@Main Street**

12/05/2024

**Lighting of the Menorah
@Pfeiffer Center
6PM-8PM**

12/07/2024

**Annual Tree Lighting and
Winter Wonderland
@Main Street
12:30PM-2PM**

12/19/2024

**Senior Holiday Luncheon
@ Forum
12PM-4PM
*Bus leaves from Pfeiffer**

12/21/2024

**Breakfast w/ the Grinch
@Pfeiffer
9:30AM-2PM**

**Weekly food giveaways are posted
on Community Affairs Facebook.**

"TRASH TALK"

Monroe Township Department of Public Works



A trash truck experienced a fire after collecting residential trash. The fire was determined to be caused by a laptop that was improperly disposed of in the blue automated trash containers. Thanks to the quick thinking of our sanitation driver, he was able to avoid any significant damage to the truck and himself.

**BATTERIES
CAN SPARK
OR EXPLODE**

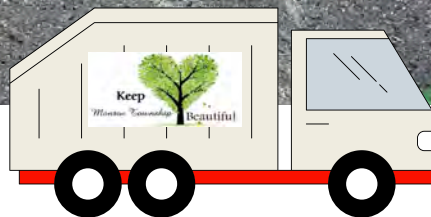
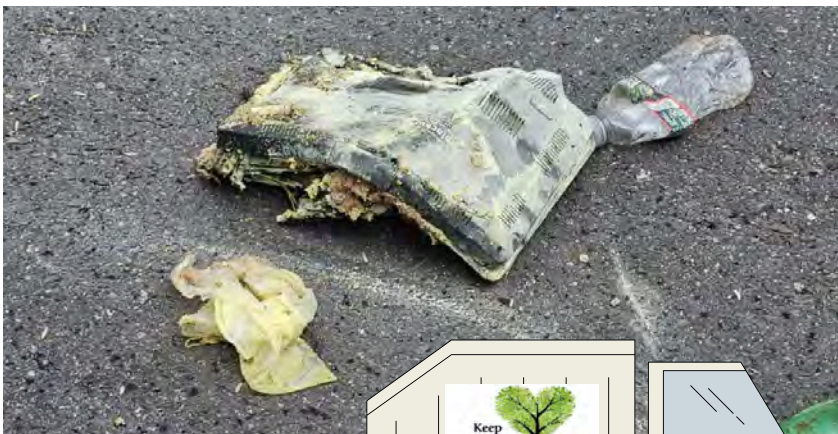


They don't belong in recycling or trash.



Improper disposal of electronic devices, especially those containing lithium-ion batteries (laptops), can overheat or get punctured, causing them to ignite. If a laptop or electronic device is thrown into the regular trash, the battery could be damaged when compacted by the trash truck's mechanisms, leading to a fire.

Proper disposal of electronics, especially those with batteries, is important to prevent such incidents. Monroe township offers a recycling program for electronics, where devices can be safely processed and disposed. If you are unsure how to properly dispose of an item, please call the Public Works Department for clarification.



REMINDERS FOR UPCOMING SEASONS:

Fall Leaf Collection

- The collection of leaves raked curbside will begin the week of October 28, 2024, and will run for the entire month of November & December.
- Schedules will be posted on the township website and Facebook page weekly.
- Please remove all sticks, branches, stones, etc. as they will jam or severely damage the leaf machine.
- Reminder: once the leaf crews have gone by your house, in order to keep to the schedule, we cannot accommodate requests for returns until the next scheduled pickup.



*Did you know that Monroe Township Public Works
collects and recycles Christmas trees?*

**Curbside Christmas Tree Pick-Up
Begins Thursday, January 2, 2025**



Bare trees should be placed
curbside on your trash collection
day.

Trees with flock, tinsel, garland,
lights, etc. will be collected on
your designated bulk pick-up day.

2023 & 2024 **Road Program**

- ***Angielee Avenue (Mills Lane to Winslow Road)***
- ***Arlington Drive (Fries Mill Road [CR.655] to Terminus)***
- ***Canterbury Place (S. Beecham Road to Terminus)***
- ***Dorset Court (S. Beecham Road to Terminus)***
- ***Dundee Court (Glasgow Road to Terminus)***
- ***Dunkirk Street (Lomond Road to Glasgow Road)***
- ***Easton Court (S. Beecham Road to Terminus)***
- ***Flanagan Avenue (Orchard Drive to Glassboro-Cross Keys Road)***
- ***Galloway Court (Glasgow Road to Terminus)***
- ***Glasgow Road (Coatsbridge Road to Galloway Court)***
- ***Hamilton Court (Lomond Road to Terminus)***
- ***Holly Parkway (White Cedar Lane to Western Terminus)***
- ***Kerry Lynn Court (N. Main Street [CR.654] to Terminus)***
- ***Ketal Avenue (Black Horse Pike [Rt. 42] to Herbert Boulevard)***
- ***Larch Avenue (Buckhorn Drive to Chinkapin Avenue)***
- ***London Circle (Thackeray Lane to Terminus)***
- ***Madrone Avenue (Buckhorn Drive to Chinkapin Avenue)***
- ***Maple Avenue (Clayton Avenue to Church Street)***
- ***Pedrick Avenue (Black Horse Pike [Rt. 42] to N. Main Street [C.R. 654])***
- ***Stonehenge Drive (Corkery Lane to Terminus)***
- ***W. Garwood Avenue (S. Main Street [C.R. 654] to W. Academy Street)***
- ***White Cedar Court (White Cedar Lane to Terminus)***
- ***White Cedar Lane (Holly Parkway to Terminus)***
- ***Wright Loop (Frederick Street (SW) to Northern Terminus)***
- ***Alternate Bid No.1: Lomond Road (Coatsbridge Road to Cromarty Drive)***
- ***Alternate Bid No.2 : Marni Court (Crestwood Drive to Terminus)***
- ***Alternate Bid No.3: Chinkapin Avenue (200'± NE of Madrone Avenue to Terminus)***

Election Day:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024

Polls open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.

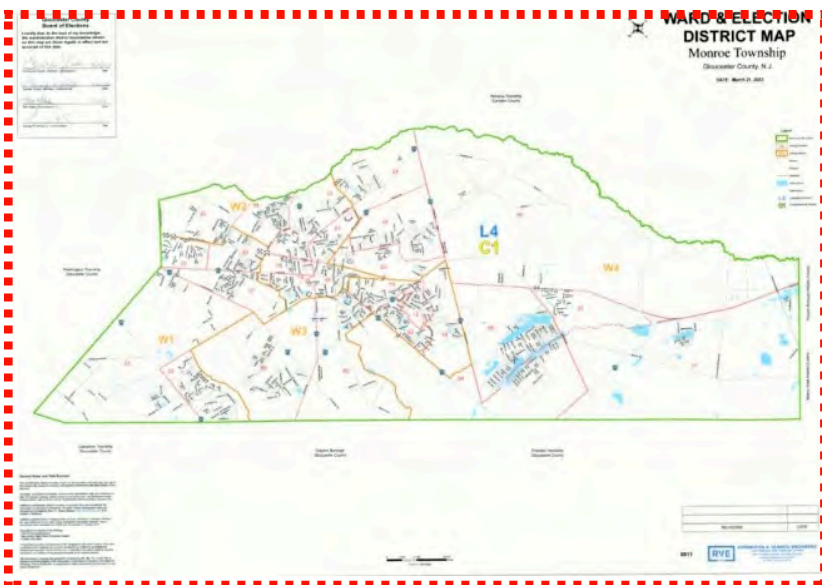


POLLING LOCATIONS/VOTING DISTRICTS:

- Monroe Township Public Library (Meeting Room) – 713 Marsha Avenue
 - Voting Districts 10, 14, 17, 20, 24
- Open Bible Baptist Church (Gymnasium) – 1073 New Brooklyn Road
 - Voting Districts 1, 3, 13, 15, 21
- Whitehall Elementary School (Gymnasium) – 161 Whitehall Road
 - Voting Districts 4, 5, 8, 11
- Williamstown Middle School (5/6 Gymnasium) – 561 Clayton Road
 - Voting Districts 6, 7, 22, 23, 26
- Pfeiffer Community Center – 301 Blue Bell Road
 - Voting Districts 2, 12, 16, 18, 19
- Holiday City Clubhouse – 600 Caribbean Way
 - Voting District 9
- Friendly Village Clubhouse – 255 Village Parkway
 - Voting District 25
- * Note: polling locations are by Districts, not Wards

IMPORTANT 2024 GENERAL ELECTION DEADLINE DATES

- September 21 Commencement of Mailing of Mail-In Ballots
- October 15 Voter Registration Deadline
- October 23 Mailing of Sample Ballots
- October 29 Deadline to apply by mail for a Mail-In Ballot
- November 4 Deadline to apply in-person for a Mail-In Ballot (by 3:00 p.m.)
- November 5 General Election
- November 5 Deadline for Post Office Receipt of Mail-In Ballots
- November 5 Deadline for in-person submission of Mail-In Ballots to Gloucester County Board of Elections (by 8:00 p.m.)
- November 5 Deadline for in-person submission of Mail-In Ballots at Authorized Ballot Drop Boxes (by 8:00 p.m.)



Within the Township of Monroe, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, the following Wards consist of the following Districts:

- WARD 1 consists of DISTRICTS 7, 17, 20, 22, 23, 24
- WARD 2 consists of DISTRICTS 1, 3, 9, 10, 13, 14, 16
- WARD 3 consists of DISTRICTS 2, 6, 12, 18, 19, 26
- WARD 4 consists of DISTRICTS 4, 5, 8, 11, 15, 21, 25

IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING

Gloucester County will provide registered voters with this option for the November 5, 2024 General Election. Gloucester County will have five (5) in-person early voting locations throughout the county that will be open Saturday, October 26, 2024 through Sunday, November 3, 2024. Hours will be Monday-Saturday, 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m. and Sunday, 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

An In-Person Early Voting Site is available in Monroe Township at:
Monroe Township Public Library
713 Marsha Avenue, Williamstown, NJ 08094

SECURE BALLOT DROP BOX LOCATIONS

Twelve (12) Vote-by-Mail Ballot drop boxes have been set up throughout Gloucester County.

An authorized, secured Vote-by-Mail Ballot drop box is available in Monroe Township at:
Monroe Municipal Building
125 Virginia Avenue, Williamstown, NJ 08094
(located outside, near the handicap parking spaces of the main parking lot)

Voter registration forms, name and address change forms, and party declaration forms may also be obtained from the Township Clerk's Office.

Monroe Township Clerk's Office
Township Clerk, Aileen Chiselko
125 Virginia Avenue
Williamstown, NJ 08094
(856) 728-9800

SUPPORT **LOCAL** *Business*

Flanagan Law LLC (Estate Planning):

1120 S. Main Street Williamstown, NJ 08094 (856) 629-5000

Complete Care Men's and Family Health Professional

711 Marsha Avenue Williamstown, NJ 08094 (856) 451-4700

Constance Ink

200 North Black Horse Pike Williamstown, NJ 08094 (908) 936-3468

IV on Main

344 South Main Street Williamstown, NJ 08094 (856) 885-8805

***Welcome to Williamstown! Thank you for
choosing Monroe Township. We wish you
many years of success!***

*Reach out to the Mayor's office at: (856) 728-9800 ext. 202
to set up a Grand Opening for your New Business.*

Tax Collector's Office

Sign up for an email reminder that property taxes are due!

Emails will be sent 14 days in advance of the February 1, May 1, August 1 and **November 1** tax quarters.

You will receive an email to approve your subscription. You must confirm to receive Tax Reminder Emails.

Convenient Ways to Pay

- Drop box inside and outside of Townhall
- Mail your payment
- In person at Tax Office
- Bill Pay thru your bank
- For one-time payment or Autopay sign up online at Monroe Township website
- Pay by phone at 1- (866) 572-9477



Reminder that the due date for the remaining 2024 tax quarter is November 12. These dates are the last day to make a tax payment. Interest will accrue after this date.

Run, climb, slide & play



Help Finn's Friends Build
An All Inclusive - Special Needs Park
in the ❤️ of Williamstown

Park will provide:

- Accessibility
- Community Integration
- Physical and Mental Well-being
- Education and Awareness
- Family Enjoyment

Scan to donate



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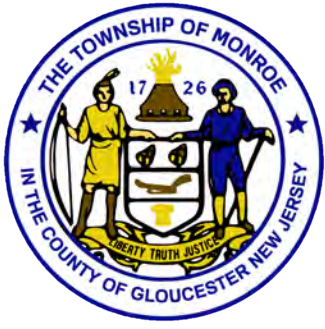
Supported by:

- Mayor Greg Wolfe
- Town Council
- Monroe Twp Schools District
- NJ Senator Paul Moriarty
- Finn's Friends

Finn's Friends is a 501C3 Non-Profit located in Williamstown

****No Donation is too small****

Thank you for supporting our children



Grant Money Received in 2024

- 2024 Body Armor Replacement Fund: **\$4,787.20**
- 2024 Safe and Secure Grant: **\$45,150.00**
- 2024 JIF Safety Grant: **\$4,500.00**
- 2024 JIF Wellness Grant: **\$1,500.00**
- 2024 JIF Cyber Security Grant: **\$3,000.00**
- 2024 Click It or Ticket Grant: **\$3,920.00**
- 2024 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over: **\$6,500.00**
- 2024 NJDOT- Bike Trail Improvements: **\$358,389.00**
- 2024 Emergency Management Grant: **\$10,000.00**
- 2024 Drive Sober- Labor Day: **\$6,500.00**
- Sanitary Landfill Grant- Prod00258441: **\$386,928.00**
- Sanitary Landfill Grant-Prod00302669: **\$115,215.00**
- 2024 Aggressive Driving: **\$6,000.00**
- Green Acres Grant- Jake's Law: **\$750,000.00**
- 2024 JIF Safety Award: **\$750.00**
- Clean Communities: **\$101,003.90**
- Green Meadows Recreation Grant: **\$63,000.00**
- Fire Fighter Protection Gear: **\$70,000.00**
- DCA Firehouse: **\$400,000.00**
- ACE Direct Grant- Owen's Park Football Field Lights: **\$144,000.00**



\$2.4 MILLION



Township of Monroe

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Websites:



<https://monroetownshipnj.org/>



<https://mtprnj.org/>



<https://monroetpl.org/>

Facebooks:



Township of Monroe



Township of Monroe
Parks and Recreation



Township of Monroe
Police Department



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Free Public Library



Township of Monroe
Community Affairs



Township of Monroe
Senior Commission



Township of Monroe

CONTACT US! (856) 728-9800

Mayor's Administration

Ext. 202

Fax: (856) 728-1240

Clerk's Office

Ext. 217

Fax: (856) 318-8830

Municipal Court

Ext. 500

Fax: (856) 242-8168

Tax Collector's

Ext. 285

Board of Health Office

Ext. 212

Construction Office

Ext. 221

Zoning Office

Ext. 222

Housing Office

Ext. 272

Planning Office

Ext. 271

Court Liaison Office

Ext. 521

Municipal Alliance Commission

Ext. 258

Police Administration

Ext. 207

Fax: (856) 728-5158

Police Records

Ext. 275

Fax: (856) 728-2468

Detective Bureau

Ext. 236

Fax: (856) 728-0321

Traffic Bureau

Ext. 546

(856) 875-2339

Bureau of Fire Prevention

Ext. 256

Fax: (856) 728-2468

Emergency Management

Ext. 250

Fax: (856) 728-9832

Cecil Fire Department

(856) 629-6477

Fax: (856) 875-2251

Williamstown Fire Department

(856) 818-9771

Fax: (856) 818-9763

Monroe Township Board of

Education

(856) 629-6400

Fax: (856) 875-9786

Public Works

(856) 728-9844

(856) 629-4444

Ext. 760

Community Affairs

(856) 728-9841

Ext. 841

Senior Bus

(856) 728-9840

Parks and Recreation

Ext. 844

Fax: (856) 728-2726

Camp Squankum

(856) 728-1372

Ext. 823

Historical Society

(856) 318-1877

Monroe Township Free Public

Library

(856) 629-1212

Fax: (856) 629-0191

Monroe MUA

(856) 629-1444

Fax: (856) 875-9786

Council

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Ext. 230 Steve McKinney

Ext. 231 Don Heverly

Ext. 232 Ron Garbowski

Ext. 233 Chelsea Valcourt



WILLIAMSTOWN

NEW JERSEY

come grow with us!