



Township of Monroe



Hello Monroe Township residents, I hope that you and your family enjoyed your Holiday Season and that you are enjoying your New Year, thus far. In this edition of our Newsletter, I would like to recap some accomplishments from 2024.

In 2024, Monroe Township welcomed and hosted nineteen (19) ribbon cuttings for new business while also hosting, for the first time, the Best of Gloucester County Awards Ceremony, supporting local business. Our Economic Development Commission created the “Melodies on Main Street”, supporting our local businesses’ and creating a family fun atmosphere, directly in the heart of our town.

We introduced our “No Knock Registry” ordinance which deters nuisance solicitation and allows residents to register to have no solicitation at their homes. We also welcomed the initiation and creation of a rent leveling ordinance, protecting residents in manufactured homes developments from drastic and unwarranted rent increases by

developers. This ordinance has inspired State lawmakers to propose similar, State wide legislation, regarding this very important issue.

We were able to finalize and break ground on a much-needed Williamstown Fire House construction project while also lowering the overall costs of the project, from \$16 M to \$7.3 M. We also added additional Officers to our police force, ensuring our residents are well protected and that they are provided the service that our residents need and expect from our first responders. Our Public Works Department hosted many events in 2024, including our shred events, animal vaccination clinics, clean community events, and much more. Additionally, we continue our road paving program, leaf collection, sanitation collection and snow plowing efforts.

At Owens Memorial Park we added four pickle ball courts, as well as a new tennis court for our residents to enjoy. We secured a \$750k grant to construct an all-inclusive special needs park, Finn’s Friends Park and construction will begin in 2025. Our Parks and Recreation Commission and Community Affairs Department continued to expand, and host all of our annual events. We have continued to work on a weekly basis with our seniors, ensuring they remain active and involved in our Community. We teamed up with the Red Cross and “Sounded the Alarm” by providing 182 smoke detectors to area residents. We also hosted our first annual “Healing in Unity Memorial Vigil”, supporting family and friends, who have lost a loved one to addiction.

We dedicated our Dog Park to former Mayor Richard DiLucia who was instrumental in seeing the dog park to its completion. We also dedicated the Monroe Township Free Public Library Complex to former Mayor Michael F. Gabbianelli who was instrumental in the relocation and construction of the library. Monroe Township has received a staggering \$2.4 M in grant awards, to help offset costs on many projects and initiatives in 2024, and we will continue to be aggressive attempting to obtain even more grant money in 2025. We are excited to continue the progress and make Monroe Township even better in 2025. We wish you all a very Happy New Year and look forward to our fast approaching spring season.

Warmest Regards, Mayor Greg Wolfe

January 6, 2025

Council Reorganization



During our recent reorganization meeting, we proudly welcomed both new and returning council members. Don Heverely was appointed as Council President, and Denise Adams as Council Vice President.

Al Rossi, Brian Cope, Carolann Fox, and John Valentine were joyfully surrounded by friends and family as they accepted their council seats. Congratulations to all, and we eagerly anticipate the exciting future ahead!

Clerk's Office

Quarter 1; Council Meeting Schedule

Monday, January 6, 2025 7:00 PM
Wednesday, January 22, 2025 7:00 PM
Wednesday, February 12, 2025 6:30 PM
Wednesday, February 26, 2025 7:00 PM
Wednesday, March 12, 2025 6:30 PM
Wednesday, March 26, 2025 7:00 PM
Wednesday, April 9, 2025 6:30 PM
Wednesday, April 23, 2025 7:00 PM

Free Rabies Clinic:
Saturday, January, 25, 2025
from 12:00pm to 2:00pm
1040 Glassboro Road,
Williamstown NJ 08094

The renewal
deadline for dog
and cat licensing is
January 31, 2025

Beginning in 2025 we will be recording and posting our Ordinance, Council, Planning and Zoning Board Meetings to our YouTube Channel! Stay up to date with what's happening in town!



Youtube Channel:
Monroe Township Gloucester County
@monroetownshipnjorg

Certificate of Appreciation

presented by Mayor Greg Wolfe and Municipal Clerk Aileen Chiselko



Chelsea Valcourt has served the Township of Monroe as Councilwoman for four years. Her varies list of public appointments includes 2024 Council President, 2023 Council Vice-President, Liaison to the Economic Development Commission, Board of Education, Open Space Advisory Committee and various other Council Committees.

Steven J. McKinney has served the Township of Monroe as Councilman for four years. His varies list of public appointments includes Liaison to the Environmental Protection Commission, Historical Society, JIF Safety Committee and various other Council Committees.

Ronald T. Garbowski has served the Township of Monroe for sixteen years. His various list of public appointments includes 2009, 2014, and 2019 Council President, 2008, 2013 and 2018 Council Vice-President, 2021 Ordinance Committee Chairman, Liaison to the Economic Development Commission, Historical Society, Library Board, Monroe Municipal Utilities Authority, Planning Board, Zoning Board, United Veterans Council and various other Council Committees.

John's Evangelical Church

125 Years of Service!



Council President Chelsea Valcourt presented St. John's Evangelical Church with a proclamation celebrating 125 years serving the residents of Monroe Township.

Pastor Tammy Harmer, Deacon Ken Weaver and Deacon Elizabeth (Betsey) Eley attended the Council meeting and accepted on behalf of the church.

Congratulations and thank you for your service to Monroe Township!

Monroe Township Police Department

The Monroe Township Police Department was out spreading cheer this holiday season! Joining residents at holiday events like Holiday with a Hero and Grinch Breakfast! They were even joined by their very own Elf!



Blast from the Past

w/ Monroe Township Police Department



Mr. Elmer Phillips, a former MTPD Sergeant from the 1960s, paid a visit to the department. After leaving MTPD in 1970, he joined the New Jersey State Police and served as a trooper until his retirement in 1995. During his visit, Mr. Phillips spoke with the chief and other staff members, and he also shared some nostalgic photos from his time at MTPD. We are grateful for his visit and for sharing a piece of history with us!

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

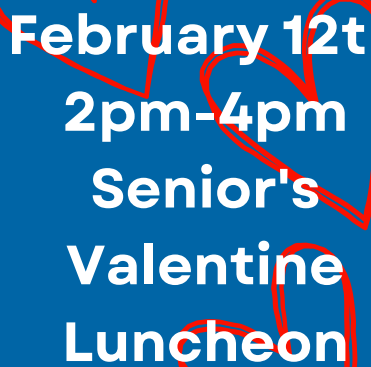
- Drop box inside and outside of Townhall
- Mail your payment
- In person at Tax Office
- Bill Pay thru your bank
- For one-time payment or Autopay sign up online at Monroe Township website
- Pay by phone at 1- (866) 572-9477



Reminder: The due date for the February 2025 tax quarter is Monday, February 10th. This is the last day to make a tax payment. Interest will accrue back to February 1st after this date.


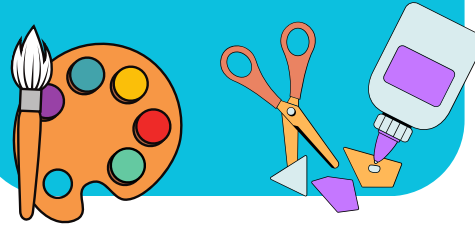
Community Affairs Events!

All events will be held at the Pfeiffer Center
301 Blue Bell Road Williamstown, NJ 08094



February 12th
2pm-4pm
Senior's
Valentine
Luncheon

February 12
6pm-8pm
Craft Class



February 14th
7pm-10pm:
Horror Valentine's
Movie
"The Strangers-
Chapter 1"
(Rated R Violence)



February 15th
11am-2pm
Black History
Month
Presentation



March 8th
10am-2pm
Collectibles
Card Show



March 17th
1pm-3pm
Senior's St.
Patty's Day
Luncheon



Weekly food giveaways will be announced
through our Facebook page.



Facebook:
Township of Monroe Community Affairs

Winter Wonderland at the Pfeffer Center



Our Community Affairs Department and Economic Development Commission put on an amazing, Winter Wonderland, event. A big thank you goes out to our employees, volunteers, board members, vendors and residents' for their support! This could not have been done without you! Mayor Wolfe even lite the Christmas Tree! There was endless fun and laughs all night.



2024 Christmas Tree Lighting!

Mayor Greg Wolfe was joined by residents to light the Christmas Tree.

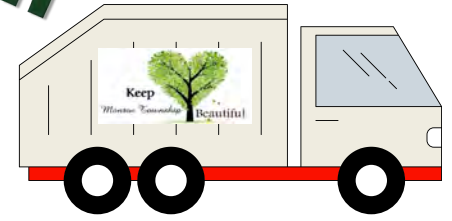
2nd Annual Menorah Lighting!

Council President Chelsea Valcourt, Vice President Don Heverly, Councilwoman Carolann Fox, Deputy Mayor Joe Kurz and Mayor Greg Wolfe gathered to light the Menorah.



"TRASH TALK"

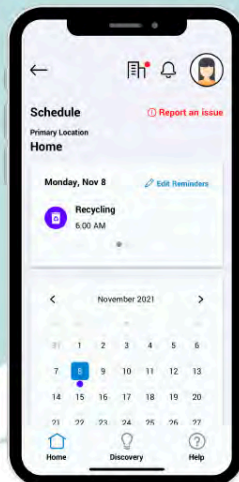
Monroe Township Department of Public Works



Monday & Thursday Route Bulk Collection Days							<u>Monroe Township Bulk Schedule 2025</u>							Tuesday & Wednesday Route Bulk Collection Days													
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Don't Miss a Collection!

Download the Mobile App and set weekly reminders so you never miss a collection.

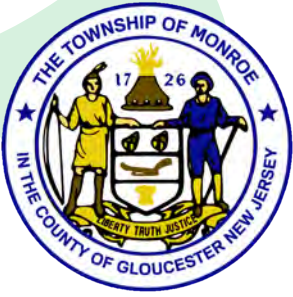


Download the Recycle Coach App! Find out about local Waste/Recycling Events and even Special Drop-off locations!



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)*



Grant Money 2025

Quarter 1

Safe and Secure Communities Program

\$45,150.00

OJP Municipal Building Security Cameras

\$167,000.00

Fire Department Security Upgrades
for Williamstown Fire House

\$400,000.00

Body Armor Replacement Fund

\$5,399.89



NJDOT Trust Fund Improvements to Karen Drive

\$182,409.00

Quarter 1 Total:

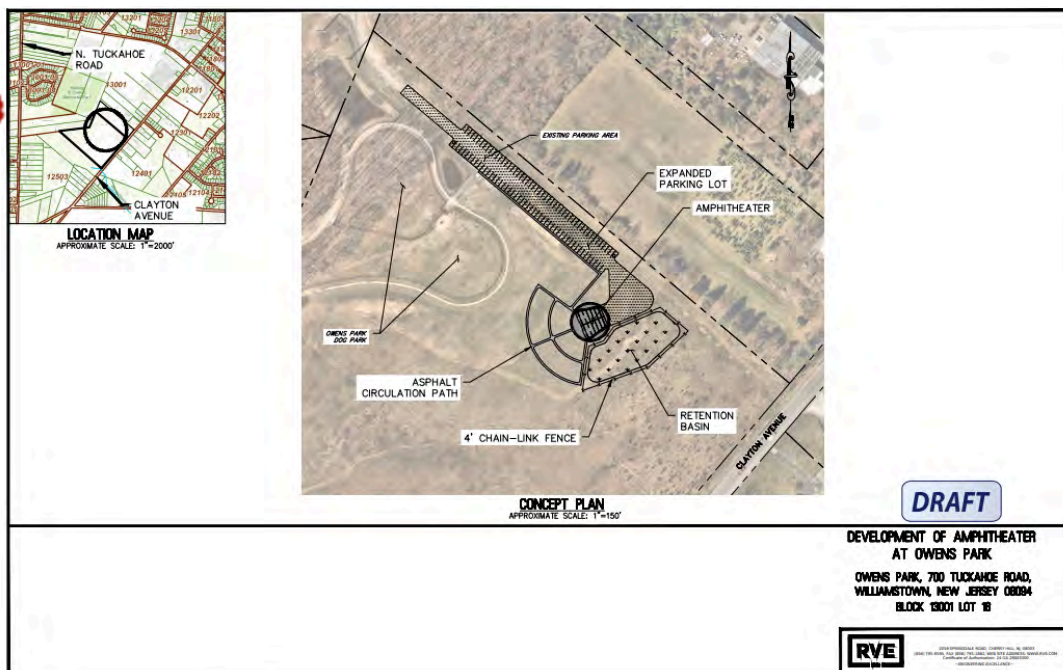
\$799,958.89





MONROE TOWNSHIP IS APPLYING FOR A *GREEN ACRES* GRANT FOR AN AMPHITHEATER!

Location: Owens Park, near our Dog Park.



If you have any comments or ideas, please
contact Michelle Carbonara @
mcarbonara@monroetownshipnj.org



Township of Monroe

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Township of Monroe



Township of Monroe
Free Public Library



Township of Monroe
Police Department



Township of Monroe
Senior Commission



Township of Monroe
Community Affairs



Township of Monroe
Parks and Recreation

WEBSITE:



<https://mtprnj.org/>



<https://monroetownshipnj.org/>



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come grow with us!