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**COMBINED AGENDA/REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

APRIL 7, 2025

1. **AGENDA MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.** (6:30 p.m.)
2. **SALUTE TO THE FLAG.**
3. **MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR CHRIS TERRANOVA**
Passed away on 3/8/25. Beloved Paramedic who worked with EMS Station 2 for 6 months each year.

4. **ROLL CALL:**

Councilman Charles Dipierro
Councilman Michael Markel
Councilwoman Rupa P. Siegel
Council Vice President Terence Van Dzura
Council President Miriam Cohen

5. Township Clerk Christine Robbins reads the **SUNSHINE LAW** into the record.

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, it is hereby announced and shall be entered into the Minutes of this meeting that adequate notice has been provided by the following:

1. Posted on the Bulletin Boards within the Municipal Building on December 27, 2024 and remains posted at that location for public inspection;
2. Printed in the **HOME NEWS TRIBUNE** and the **CRANBURY PRESS** on December 27, 2024;
3. Posted on the Monroe Township website; and
4. Sent to those individuals who have requested personal notice.

In accordance with Chapter 3, Section 17 of the Monroe Township Code, Public Comment shall be limited to five (5) minutes unless further time is granted by the Council President.

6. **PROCLAMATIONS and PRESENTATIONS:**

Proclamations:

“National Donate Life Month” – April 2025

“National Arab American Heritage Month” – April 2025

“Monroe Township Library Week” - April 6-12, 2025

“National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week” – April 13-19, 2025

“Arbor Day”- April 25, 2025

Presentation:

Recognizing Alan Weinberg for his service to Monroe Township.

7. **ORDINANCE(S)** for **SECOND READING** at the April 7, 2025 Regular Meeting:

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R-4-2025-102 RESOLUTION INTRODUCING THE 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.

10. **Public Comments.** (Limited to **Agenda items only** - 5 Minutes per Speaker)
- OPEN: MOTION:_____ SECOND:_____
- CLOSE: MOTION:_____ SECOND:_____
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11. **Agenda Meeting Adjournment.** Time: _____
- MOTION:_____SECOND:_____ ROLL CALL: Ayes____Nays__

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AGENDA

1. **REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Time: _____
- MOTION:_____SECOND:_____ ROLL CALL: Ayes____Nays__
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2. **MOTION** to approve the payment of **CLAIMS** per run date **April 2, 2025**.
- MOTION:_____SECOND:_____ ROLL CALL: Ayes____Nays__
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3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
- MOTION** to approve the **MINUTES** of the following meetings as written and presented:
- March 3, 2025 - Agenda and Regular Combined Meeting**
- MOTION:_____SECOND:_____ ROLL CALL: Ayes____Nays__
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- PUBLIC HEARING OPEN: MOTION:_____ SECOND:_____
- PUBLIC HEARING CLOSE: MOTION:_____ SECOND:_____
- ADOPTION: MOTION:_____ SECOND:_____ ROLL CALL: Ayes_____ Nays_____

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MOTION:____SECOND:____

ROLL CALL: Ayes____Nays____

7.
- RESOLUTIONS removed from consent agenda for CONSIDERATION (if needed).

MOTION:____SECOND:____

ROLL CALL: Ayes____Nays____

8.
- Administrator’s Report.

9.
- Engineer’s Report.

10.
- Council’s Reports.

11.
- Mayor’s Report.

12.

Public Comments.

(5 Minutes per Speaker)
- OPEN:

MOTION:_____

SECOND:_____
- CLOSE:

MOTION:_____

SECOND:_____

13.

Adjournment.

MOTION:_____

SECOND:_____
- Time: _____