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

JANUARY 6, 2025

1. **AGENDA MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.** (6:30 p.m.)

2. **SALUTE TO THE FLAG.**

3. **ROLL CALL:**

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

4. 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.

5. **PROCLAMATIONS and PRESENTATIONS:**

Proclamations: *International Holocaust Remembrance Day – January 27, 2025*

Muslim Heritage Month – January, 2025

6. **ORDINANCE(S) for INTRODUCTION** at the January 6, 2024 Regular Meeting:

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ORDINANCE FOR MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY.**

O-1-2025-002 **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RECORDING OF EASEMENTS
FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES ON VARIOUS MUNICIPAL OWNED
PARCELS. (Municipal Complex, Dey Farm Site)**

7. **RESOLUTIONS for CONSIDERATION under CONSENT AGENDA** at the January 6, 2025 Regular Meeting: (R-1-2025-001 – R-1-2025-028)

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- R-1-2025-028

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS.

8. **Public Comments.** (Limited to **Agenda items only** - 5 Minutes per Speaker)

OPEN:

MOTION:_____

SECOND:_____

CLOSE:

MOTION:_____

SECOND:_____

9. **Agenda Meeting Adjournment.**

Time: _____

MOTION:_____SECOND:_____

ROLL CALL: Ayes____Nays____

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AGENDA

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Time: _____

MOTION:_____SECOND:_____

ROLL CALL: Ayes____Nays____
2.

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4.
- RESOLUTIONS removed from consent agenda for CONSIDERATION (if needed).

MOTION:_____SECOND:_____

ROLL CALL: Ayes____Nays____

5.
- Administrator’s Report.

6.
- Engineer’s Report.

7.
- Council’s Reports.

8.
- Mayor’s Report.

9.
- Public Comments. (5 Minutes per Speaker)

OPEN:

MOTION:_____

SECOND:_____

CLOSE:

MOTION:_____

SECOND:_____

10.
- Adjournment.
- MOTION:_____
- SECOND:_____

Time: _____