

**Town of Monroe**  
**Town Board Minutes**  
**Monday, November 17, 2025**  
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**Members Present**

Tony Cardone, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello, Dorey Houle, Maureen Richardson  
Town Counsel - Brian Nugent

**Call to Order**

1.1. Pledge to the Flag

The Supervisor led the room in the Pledge of Allegiance.

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

**Motion to Open Town Board Meeting**

2.1. Motion to Open Town Board Meeting of November 17, 2025

**2025-#486**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Open the Town Board Meeting of November 17, 2025, at 7:01 PM.

**Community Announcements**

3.1. Benjamin LaSala, Eagle Scout Project Completion

Benjamin LaSala's Eagle Scout project is complete. Food Pantry is located on the upper rear patio at Town Hall. Fully stocked. 200 bags were distributed, and they received over 100 bags of food back. The refrigerator is stocked with milk and eggs that were purchased with leftover money.

3.2. Smith's Clove Park 2025 Turkey Trot

Smith's Clove Park 2025 Turkey Trot Sunday, November 23rd 9:00 am racetime. Register online or for more information, go to [www.smithsclovepark.org](http://www.smithsclovepark.org).

3.3. American Legion Post 488 Food Drive

American Legion Post 488 Food Drive

Accepting donations now until 12/31/2025

Help us stock our local food pantries.

We are collecting non-perishable foods: canned vegetables, beans, sauces, boxed pasta, cereal, dry foods. \*No fresh items.

Drop off location: American Legion Post 488 532 Lakes Rd., Monroe, NY

For more info, call the American Legion Post 488 at 845-783-3965.

### 3.4. 2025 Toys for Military Tots

Recipients: Pete & Laura Rollins representing the Children of O.C. Disabled American Vets + SMSgt Theresa Castellane of the 105th for Children of the NY Air National Guard, deployed or stationed at Stewart Air Force Base. All donations are local for our Orange County Military & Veterans.

Remember the Reason: WTBQ's 10th Annual Toys for Military Tots Drive has begun and YOU can help Santa deliver the new, unwrapped toys for children baby to 12 yrs old ~ WTBQ Radio has once again teamed up with Orange County Executive, Steve Neuhaus (Steve sparked this drive), John (Cheech) Richichi, Pres. of the Nam Knights, Amanda Dana, Dir, of OC Tourism & Film, Orange County Bank & Trust, & many more...For more Information E-mail: Taylor@WTBQ.com Please donate New, Unwrapped Toys for ages baby to 12 yrs old - wrapping paper & ribbon would be appreciated. God Bless you all for sharing with those who sacrifice so much so we may enjoy the holidays with our families. Final drop-off Dec. 12th @ WTBQ - Final Photo Op Dec. 15th @ 9:30am @ WTBQ Drop Off Sites:

Warwick: WTBQ Radio ~ Warwick Town Hall- Supervisor Jesse Dwyer-Forge 28 Studios

Warwick: Leo Kaytes Ford ~The Computer Guy — Warwick Ctr for the Performing Arts

Middletown: Orange Bank & Trust - all Branches

Goshen: John S. Burke Catholic — Orange Bank & Trust~ DMV—Kelly Eskew

Goshen: Sheriff Paul Arteta's Office—Amanda Dana—Dir. Of OC Tourism & Film—The Computer Guy

Chester: Orange Bank & Trust

Monroe: Monroe Town Hall at Supervisor Tony Cardone-Monroe-Woodbury Schools

New Windsor: Minuta Architecture - Town Hall—Patricia Clarino—Steve Bedetti & the Police Station

Montgomery: McKesson Corp-Susan Dean

Waywayanda: Denise Quinn at Town Hall

Washingtonville: Childtime Childcare

Florida: Assemblyman Karl Brabenec

### 3.5. 2025 Orange County Household Hazardous Waste & Operation Safe Scripts Pharmaceutical Collection Event

2025 Orange County Household Hazardous Waste & Operation Safe Scripts Pharmaceutical Collection Event, Saturday, November 22, 2025 9AM-3PM (Rain or Shine)

OCTS #1 Maintenance Garage, 21 Training Center Lane, New Hampton, NY

Entrance across from the Mid-Hudson Psychiatric Center.

### 3.6. Conservation Commission to Host Repair Café

The Monroe Repair Café, sponsored by the Monroe Conservation Commission and Town of Monroe, will take place on Saturday, December 6th, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Monroe Town Hall. Sponsored by the Town of Monroe and the Town of Monroe Conservation

Commission. MONROE REPAIR CAFÉ Have Something Broken? We have assembled an excellent volunteer team of local fixers ready to repair your broken and beloved heirlooms and other items. FREE OF CHARGE - Mechanical & Electrical, including lamps—Jewelry cleaning & repairs-Stitching & sewing (clothing, home textiles, soft toys) - Knife & tool sharpening - Laptops & Tablets (Tech Support/Simple Repairs) - Bicycle tune-up & basic repairs. Note: You must be checked in by 1:30PM. Repairs contingent upon repair team availability. Limit 2 Items per person. Special Thanks to Beck's Hardware and Cyrus Jewelers. Questions Text 862-377-4493. More Information @MonroeNYRepairCafe

## **Public Hearing**

### 4.1. Motion to Adopt the 2026 Town of Monroe Budget

#### **2025-#487**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Adopt the 2026 Town of Monroe Budget

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes: None**  
**Nays: None**  
**Abstain: None**

#### **2025-#487A**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to allocate funds for a town-wide police study. (B000-3989-4500-00)

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson**  
**Nays: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle**  
**Abstain: None**

#### **2025-#487B**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to restore the park stipend to \$10,894.00. (A000-7110-1030-00) - \$10,000

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson**  
**Nays: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle**  
**Abstain: None**

**2025-#487C**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to restore the salary of Secretary to the Supervisor to \$63,215.00. (A000-1220-1020-00) - \$10,000

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle**

**Abstain: None**

**2025-#487D**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to restore the salary of the Senior Center Director to \$69,666.00. (A000-7620-1010-00) - \$13,000

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle**

**Abstain: None**

**2025-#487E**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to restore the compensation for the budget officer to \$18,500. (A000-1340-1010-00) - \$18,500

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle**

**Abstain: None**

Supervisor Cardone stated that after everything Councilwoman Richardson says they oppose.

**2025-#487F**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to restore the Legal Retainer to \$160,000. (B000-1420-4500-00) - \$40,000

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle**

**Abstain: None**

**2025-#487G**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to restore the non-retainer Legal to \$50,000. (B000-1420-4010-00) - \$20,000

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle**

**Abstain: None**

**2025-#487H**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to restore the bond council to \$25,000. (B000-1420-4000-00) - \$10,000

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle**

**Abstain: None**

**2025-#487I**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to allocate \$200,000 for Road Improvements. (DB00-5110-4400-00) - \$160,000

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle**

**Abstain: None**

Supervisor Cardone stated that he did have a conversation with Bill Brown, Highway Superintendent, and he is well aware that the \$100,000 was sufficient.

**2025-#487J**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to increase the Tax Collector Stipend to \$9,425. (A000-1330-1010-00) + \$1,000 or 20%

**On a motion by Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes:** Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson  
**Nays:** Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle  
**Abstain:** None

**2025-#487K**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to restore the contingent account to \$50,000. (A000-1990-0000-00) - \$20,000  
Contingent Account decrease from \$50,000 to \$30,000

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes:** Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Richardson  
**Nays:** Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle  
**Abstain:** None

**2025-#487L**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to approve the 2026 Budget.

**On a motion by Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes:** Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle  
**Nays:** Town Councilmember Richardson, Town Councilmember Bingham  
**Abstain:** None

Councilwoman Richardson also addressed the following...

Unrealistic raises to positions that are unsustainable:

- Assessor A000-1355-1010-00: + \$14,000 (25% raise)
- Highway Secretary A000-5010-1011-00: + \$5,000 (10%), Refuse stipend: SR00-8160-1060-00: + \$4,035, for a total of a \$9,000 raise or 20%
- Tax Collector A000-1330-1010-00: + \$1,000 or 20%
- Building Inspector B000-3620-1010-00: + \$8,000 or 8%
- Assistant Building Inspector B000-3620-1020-00: + \$6,000 or 8%
- Cut to Dial A Ride admin position (overall cut to dial a ride - \$80,000) A000-5630-1010-01: -\$66,000
- Unrealistic expenses such as 50% drop in health care. B000-9060-8000-00: - \$72,000, DA00-9060-8000-00: - \$82,000, \$890,000 from the fund balance: B000-1001, -2% tax decrease for town outside village

4.2. Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing RE: Local Law A-v1/2025 to Amend Article VI, Ch. 53 Concerning Material Used for Water Pipes in the Town of Monroe and adding Ch. 54 (Communal Water Systems)

**2025-#488**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing RE: Local Law A-v1/2025 to Amend Article VI, Ch. 53 Concerning Material Used for Water Pipes in the Town of Monroe and adding Ch. 54 (Communal Water Systems)

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Houle**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

The following residents signed up to speak during Public Comment on the Public Hearing RE: Local Law A-v1/2025 to Amend Article VI, Ch. 53 Concerning Material Used for Water Pipes in the Town of Monroe and adding Ch. 54 (Communal Water Systems):

\*NO PUBLIC COMMENT AT THIS TIME

- Town Clerk Valerie Bitzer: No public comment.

- Councilwoman Bingham: So, we're still waiting for the Planning Board to review. Dave Fritz and Matt Sichler met. Matt Sichler was going to take that information back to the Planning Board. The Planning Board, I believe, is meeting tomorrow night. So, for the December 1st meeting, we should have a reply from Bonnie Franson, the Planning Board Chair, as to what her feelings are with Article 11 and Chapter 53 and 54. It's actually Article 11 that they need to address, because that's.

- Town Counsel Nugent: I spoke to Bonnie today. So, they're good with basically putting language in that article 11, to basically refer to chapter 53 and 54, so that we could remove the content, and just indicate that the reader should refer to those two chapters for the rules. So, I think we're good for December 1st to adopt.

- Councilwoman Bingham: Okay. So, if you would prepare the Resolution for that next meeting?

Thank you.

- 4.3. Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing RE: Local Law A-v1/2025 to Amend Article VI, Ch. 53 Concerning Material Used for Water Pipes in the Town of Monroe and adding Ch. 54 (communal Water Systems)

**2025-#489**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing RE: Local Law A-v1/2025 to Amend Article VI, Ch. 53 Concerning Material Used for Water Pipes in the Town of Monroe and adding Ch. 54 (communal Water Systems) until December 1, 2025, at 7:00 PM or soon there-after.

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

**Acceptance of Minutes**

- 5.1. Acceptance of November 6, 2025, Minutes

**2025-#490**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to accept the November 6, 2025, Minutes.

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

**Audit of Claims**

- 6.1. General Fund Abstract

**2025-#491**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe requests approval of Abstract #25-20 General Fund containing Check # 37524-37587 totaling \$521,626.81.

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Houle, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

6.2. Escrow Abstract

**2025-#492**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe requests approval of Abstract #25-16 Escrow Fund containing Check # 2256 totaling \$1,072.50.

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Houle**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

**New Business**

7.1. Resignation, Jack Collins, Board of Ethics

**2025-#493**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Resolution accepting the resignation of Jack Collins from the Board of Ethics, effective December 31, 2025.

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

7.2. Forest Avenue/Forest Street Stormwater Control Facility Maintenance Easement Agreement

**2025-#494**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Resolution to authorize the Town Supervisor to execute a Stormwater Control Facility Maintenance Easement Agreement with Orange & Rockland Utilities concerning the property known as Forest Avenue/Forest Street, Town of Monroe, New York, and referred to on the tax map of the Town as Section 1, Block 2, Lot 43 in the form presented to the Town Board and

previously approved by Town Legal Counsel.

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Houle, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

7.3. Orange and Rockland Utilities – Forest Avenue Substation, Recommendation for Performance Security and Fees

**2025-#495**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Resolution approving recommendation by MHE for Performance Security and Fees for the Orange and Rockland Utilities Forest Avenue Substation.

The Orange and Rockland Utilities Forrest Avenue Substation project received conditional final approval for site plan and special use permit from the Planning Board on 15 July 2025. The estimates associated with the project costs have been submitted by the Orange and Rockland Project Consultants and reviewed by MHE, the town's engineer. The following is MHE's recommendation of performance security and fees associated with the conditions of the Planning Board Resolution of Approval and Town Code:

- Specific Condition 5 requires payment of tree mitigation fees. MHE has reviewed the project tree plans with Karen Arent and have calculated the tree planting mitigation fee to be \$31,500.00.
- MHE recommends performance security of \$25,000.00 to cover the work associated with the project entrance and drainage in Forest Avenue as noted in Specific Condition 6 of the Approval Resolution.
- Local Wetland Permit conditions 21, 22 and 28 require performance/restoration security and escrow fees for compliance with the permit conditions. The Wetland Mitigation Cost Estimate is in the amount of \$223,068.00. MHE has reviewed this estimate with the Planning Board wetland consultant and recommend performance security in that amount. MHE also recommends that an escrow account be established in an initial amount of \$5,000.00 to cover post-construction monitoring of the wetland mitigation measures.
- Generally Applicable Condition 11 requires that the applicant furnish performance, restoration and maintenance guarantees for compliance with the landscaping/tree plan. The applicant's revised estimate for compliance with landscaping, tree removal/protection and tree planting is \$158,748.00. MHE recommends that initial performance security be established in that amount. Upon completion of this work, the security can be reduced to \$50,000.00 for maintenance for a two-year period. MHE recommends that escrow of \$1,500.00 be established for inspection fees.

Specific Condition 7 requires payment of inspection fees and posting performance and restoration securities related to stormwater and erosion control measures. The project site work estimate associated with access, stormwater management and erosion control facilities is \$523,893.00, which should be the amount of security posted. MHE recommends a 5% inspection fee/escrow of \$26,185.00 to cover inspections throughout construction.  
\*Town requesting an individual check for each section.

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Houle**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

#### 7.4. GovWell Software, Building Department

**2025-#496**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion authorizing the Supervisor to sign the proposal from GovWell for software modules for the Building Department (Building Permits & Inspections, Code Enforcement) at the following cost:

Deployment & Data Migration Services Fees (one-time): \$7,000

Annual Subscription Fees: \$18,000

**Total 1 year cost: \$25,000**

This cost reflects a one-time discount on the deployment/data migration fees. The discount is contingent on an agreement being signed before the end of November (billing to commence in 2026).

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Houle, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

#### 7.5. Return of Planning Board/ZBA Escrow Funds

**2025-#497**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to approve the return of Escrow Funds for the following accounts:

Project # Z005-2009 to Tony Cardone - project has had no activity since 2010 amount to return is \$2,508.50.

Project # Z099-2025 to Michael Dy - project has been completed and approval given. Final bill was paid to the attorney. Amount of return is \$1,211.19.

Project # 16-006 to Hamaspik of Orange County - has no activity since 2016. Amount of refund \$1,502.50.

Project # 0168-2018 Glenn Schaeffer - project was completed, and final bills were paid. Amount to be returned \$298.74.

Project # 0205-2022, Z073-2022, I008-2025 Homeland Towers - project has been completed all vouchers processed to accounts. Amount of refund \$1,152.88.

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Houle, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

7.6. Request for Proposal, Legal Services for Town of Monroe

**2025-#498**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to authorize the issuance of an RFP for Legal Services for Town of Monroe in a form satisfactory to Councilwoman Richardson, and or the incoming Board members, and to authorize the Clerk to set issuance and return dates.

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

7.7. Motion to Take Five Minute Recess

**2025-#499**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Take a Five-Minute Recess.

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

7.8. Motion to Return to Regular Meeting

**2025-#500**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Return to Regular Meeting.

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

7.9. Approval to Release Escrow for Road Opening/ New Driveway Permit #2024-02 – 12 Edgewood Drive

**2025-#501**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion for the approval to release Escrow for Road Opening/ New Driveway Permit #2024-02 – 12 Edgewood Drive.

The Highway Department is requesting approval to release the remaining portion of the escrow held for Road Opening / Driveway Permit #2024-02, located at 12 Edgewood Drive. The original bond amount was \$3,000.00. During the course of the project, the roadway was left in unsatisfactory condition for more than one week, requiring Highway Department staff to utilize town labor, materials, and equipment to ensure the road was safe for public travel. As a result, a portion of the bond was retained to cover those costs. The contractor has since completed all required work, and both the road cut and driveway have been inspected and found to meet all current Town Code standards. Based on this inspection and the expenses incurred by the Town, the Highway Department recommends releasing \$2,473.18 of the original escrow.

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

7.10. Release of Performance Bond, Homeland Towers, 24 Strauss Lane

**2025-#502**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Release of Performance Bond, Homeland Towers, 24 Strauss Lane, upon approval of Town Legal

Counsel speaking with Town Building Inspector Ben Maldonado.

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Scancarello**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

## **Public Comment**

### 8.1. Rules for Public Comment

### 8.2. Public Comment

The following residents signed up for Public Comment:

- Carol Sotiropoulos
- Liam Wisehart
- Dan Burke
- Luis Rivera
- Beth Stevens
- Chris Davila
- Audra Schwartz

- Carol Sotiropoulos: Questioned Police Services not being on this Agenda. Disturbed with the Budget that it couldn't just be adopted due to lots of discussion.

- Liam Wisehart: Concerned with the Budget decreases. Would like to see taxes gradually increase over time.

- Dan Burke: Spoke about when he was on the Board, do they buy Town Hall or not? Left it for the new incoming Board to decide.

- Luis Rivera: Talked about decreases in the Budget. New Board will be forced to make revisions.

- Beth Stevens: Disappointed with Budget. Talked about Police Force for the Town.

- Chris Davilla: Sorry he hasn't attended meetings prior. Will attend going forward. Outraged with Budget.

- Audra Schwartz: Disappointed in the manner the Budget was passed. Talked about the Budget Presentation from the October 6, 2025, meeting.

- Councilwoman Richardson: Read letter from Flagship Cinemas RE closing doors on December 31, 2025.

## **Possible motion to adjourn to Executive and or/ Attorney Client Session**

### 9.1. Enter into Executive Session

\*NO ACTION AT THIS TIME

## **Return to Regular Meeting**

10.1. Return to Regular Meeting

\*NO ACTION AT THIS TIME

## **Adjournment**

11.1. Adjournment of Meeting

### **2025-#503**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe adjourns the meeting of November 17, 2025, at 8:56 PM.

**On a motion by Town Supervisor Cardone, seconded by Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Ayes: Town Supervisor Cardone, Town Councilmember Bingham, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Houle, Town Councilmember Richardson**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**