

**Town of Monroe**  
**Town Board Minutes**  
**Monday, March 16, 2026**  
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Generated by Valerie Bitzer

**Members Present**

Maureen Richardson, Sal Scancarello, Bethany Stephens, Juan Luis Rivera, Mary Bingham  
Town Counsel - Darius Chafizadeh

**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 March 16, 2026

**2026-#141**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Open the Town Board Meeting of March 16, 2026, at 7:02 PM.

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

**Ayes: Supervisor Richardson, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Stephens, Town Council Member Rivera, Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

**Community Announcements**

3.1. Meeting Room Doors

We are asking all residents to please use the front doors by the flag poles to enter/exit the building. Thank you.

3.2. 2026 Tax Collector's Notice

Town of Monroe  
Tax Collector's Notice

Please Take Notice That, the Tax Collector's Office, for the Town of Monroe will be collecting taxes at 1465 Orange Turnpike, Monroe, New York during the months of January 1<sup>st</sup> –

March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026 Monday-Friday from 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Payments made after 2:00 PM will be processed the next business day. Additionally, we will be open late on the following dates: January 30, 2026 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM, February 27, 2026 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM, and March 31, 2026 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

**Payments by mail send to: Town of Monroe Tax Collector**  
**1465 Orange Turnpike**  
**Monroe, NY 10950**

For online payments by credit card or e-check, please go to [www.monroeny.org](http://www.monroeny.org) and click on View/Pay Bills Online. **Credit card/e-check payments will NOT be accepted at Town Hall.** Please make all checks, cashier's checks or money order payments out to **Town of Monroe Tax Collector. \*\*Please include phone number on check. No cash payments will be accepted.** Payments made during the month of February: a 1% penalty will be added. Payments made during the month of March: a 2% penalty will be added, plus a \$2.00 Second Notice Fee.

Last day for acceptance of payment of taxes will be collected on March 31, 2026. **Must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2026.** Tax payments made after March 31, 2026 must be paid to the Orange County Commissioner of Finance (845) 291-2480.

Dated: December 30, 2025

Valerie Bitzer  
Tax Collector, Town of Monroe

### 3.3. Save the Date: 2026 Monroe Clean Sweep

The 2026 Monroe Clean Sweep event will take place on Saturday, May 2nd, beginning at 8 a.m. in the St. Anastasia Church parking lot located on Route 17M in Harriman. (21 No. Main Street, Harriman). Registration is free at [townofmonroeny.gov](http://townofmonroeny.gov). Click on Community / Clean Sweep. Shredding, Electronic Recycling, Textile Recycling, Tire Recycling (no rims accepted), oil recycling (Freeman's). Bags and gloves will be provided for all volunteers. Shuttles will be available to/from St. Anastasia's. T-shirts are still available for sponsorship through March 28th for a donation. Monroe Conservation Committee will be presenting environmental information. Available to any resident of the Town/Village of Monroe/Harriman only.

### 3.4. Community Art Exhibition

Selected artwork will be displayed on the walls of Monroe Town Hall. Artists whose work is chosen will be notified after the submission deadline and provided with instructions for delivering their artwork. The community art display will be formally recognized during a Town Board meeting in June, where participating artists will be invited to attend a public showcase of the artwork. Additional Notes

The Town reserves the right to determine the final selection and placement of artwork.

### 3.5. Orange County Executive Neuhaus Announces Return of Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

Orange County Executive Neuhaus Announces Return of Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) Orange County Executive Steve Neuhaus announced the return of the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP), an initiative that has provided meaningful work opportunities for local youth for more than 30 years. Funded through the Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) grant, SYEP primarily serves youth from low-income families, helping provide pathways to greater stability and opportunity. The program connects youth ages 14 to 20 with employers across Orange County, offering hands-on work experiences that build job readiness, confidence, and essential skills. Last year, participants worked with local businesses, nonprofits, and municipalities, including the City of Newburgh Aquatic Center, Foeller's Men's Shop, Legoland New York, New Wonders Learning Center, High-Class Motorsports, Hudson Valley Christian Church, and the Salvation Army in the City of Port Jervis. "SYEP gives youth in Orange County a terrific opportunity to gain work experience, build confidence, and develop skills that will benefit them for years to come," said Neuhaus. "Programs like this are an investment in the future of our youth and the long-term strength of our community."

The program helps to keep youth engaged, supports workforce development, and fosters personal growth while strengthening the broader community. Participants gain experience in responsibility, teamwork, and communications, all skills that are essential for any career. "The Summer Youth Employment Program is one of the most impactful initiatives our department leads," said Steve Knob, Director of the Orange County Employment and Training Administration. "By connecting youth with meaningful work experiences, we help them Build skills, confidence, and career pathways that will benefit them for years to come." The program also enjoys strong support from local employers.

"When we first partnered with SYEP, we didn't know what to expect, but the experience exceeded our expectations," said Doria Paci, owner of Betty's Snack Bar in Newburgh. "Our participant was reliable, motivated, and great with customers; he quickly became part of our Betty's family." This partnership between youth and local employer's highlights SYEP's broader impact. "The Orange County Summer Youth Employment Program is a valuable investment in our community," added Heather Bell, President and CEO of the Orange County Chamber of Commerce and Vice Chair of the Workforce Development Board. "By connecting young people with meaningful work experiences, we're building skills and confidence today while strengthening our future workforce." The program continues to see strong interest. Last summer, more than 500 youth applied and over 400 were placed at worksites across the County. "SYEP is about much more than summer jobs," said Karina Fabiano, Youth Coordinator with the Orange County Employment and Training Administration. "It gives young people the chance to gain workplace experience, build confidence, and develop relationships with mentors and employers who prepare them for the future."

Participants consistently praise the program for its real world impact. "My experience working at the Boys and Girls Club summer camp through SYEP was an amazing introduction to being a camp counselor," said 2025 participant Jahaad Thomas-Guillen. "I

built meaningful connections with the kids and staff, gained confidence, and enjoyed helping the kids learn and have fun. It was an unforgettable experience.”

Another participant, Alyssa Miller, shared a similar perspective, stating “Participating in SYEP helped me build confidence, improve my communication skills, and gain real-world experience in a professional environment. I learned the importance of responsibility, time management, and teamwork, and I’m grateful to have been part of a program that invests in young people.”

For more information about the Summer Youth Employment Program and how to apply, visit: <https://www.orangecountygov.com/1449/Summer-Youth-Employment-Program-2026>. Application for youth – deadline April 10:

<https://www.orangecountygov.com/DocumentCenter/View/31491/Complete-YOUTH-SYEP2026-Application--PDF>

Worksite application – deadline April 30:

<https://www.orangecountygov.com/DocumentCenter/View/32974/Complete-2026-SummerYouth-Worksite-Application-PDF>

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- X (formerly Twitter): @OCGovNY | @SNeuhausOC

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### 3.6. Orange County Executive Steve Neuhaus Names Robbie Jacobs Citizen of the Month

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Orange County Executive Steve Neuhaus announced that small business owner Robbie Jacobs, proprietor of Back in the Game Sports Shop in the Village of Florida, has been named Orange County’s Citizen of the Month for the month of March, in recognition of his extraordinary generosity and dedication to the community. Orange County proudly celebrates residents whose actions inspire others and reinforce the strength, compassion, and unity of the community. Jacobs has redefined what it means to give back to the community by using his business to enable families to access affordable sports equipment and to help ease the financial burden that often accompanies youth athletics. Through Back in the Game, he has made a remarkable impact with his acts of kindness that have reached families across Orange County. “What Robbie Jacobs has built is far more than a business. It is a powerful example of generosity, compassion, and community,” said Neuhaus.

“Providing families with affordable sports equipment is a tremendous service, but his commitment to giving back goes even further. His generosity and compassion in action have created real joy and hope for countless people in Orange County and beyond.” Guided

by the motto, 'Kindness is worth more to me than the profit,' Jacobs has given away tens of thousands of bicycles to children and families. He collects bikes through donations and personally repairs them before giving them away free of charge. Since taking ownership of Back in the Game at 16 South Main Street, Florida, in June 2021, Jacobs has enabled many children and some adults to have access to the joys and freedom of riding bikes that they might not have otherwise known. Jacobs says the inspiration for his efforts came early in his tenure at the shop. "Shortly after we bought the store, a soldier came in with his wife to buy a bike, but they had very little extra money, and he had completed several tours in Iraq," said Jacobs. "I asked myself how I could help him, and the answer was obvious. I needed to give him the bike. His wife cried, then we all cried, and I was hooked on giving from then on." Over the years, Jacobs has witnessed many moments that show the power of a simple act of kindness. "I have given away more than 26,000 bicycles, so it's difficult to name just one moment," Jacobs said. "Helping a young woman obtain a very expensive adaptive bicycle was a recent highlight. Being able to assist young, struggling parents with bikes and strollers for their children is an incredible feeling that has truly changed my life forever. Jacobs added, "I was a greedy corporate type, and I am grateful not to recognize that guy anymore. I'm happy to have the opportunity to help young people and families in this way." Jacobs' generosity extends beyond bicycles. He also provides winter boots, sneakers, cleats, strollers, baby formulas, and other essentials to those in need. He has even added a food pantry to help residents in his neighborhood. Residents across Orange County have seen the difference Jacobs has made, including Orange County Budget Director and Florida resident Deborah Slesinski, who nominated him for the Citizen of the Month honor. "Robbie offers an incredible selection of bikes and strollers for free, helping families throughout the community," Slesinski said. "The best part is seeing kids riding their bikes or families strolling through town with smiles on their faces. It's businesses like Robbie's and people like him who make our community special." Looking ahead, Jacobs hopes to expand both his business mission and outreach efforts to help even more families. "My goal is to help as many people as possible so that every child can try whichever sport they want, even if their parents cannot afford it," Jacobs said. Neuhaus noted that Jacobs' generosity reflects the very best of the Orange County community. "Orange County is fortunate to have a resident and business owner like Robbie, whose kindness strengthens our community," Neuhaus said. "His dedication has made a meaningful impact, and this recognition celebrates his generous spirit and wonderful example of going above and beyond to make a difference." Neuhaus introduced the Citizen of the Month Award in January 2017 to acknowledge outstanding Orange County residents. To nominate someone, email [PressContact@orangecountygov.com](mailto:PressContact@orangecountygov.com) with subject line: Citizen of the Month Nomination. In the email, please include the nominee's name, hometown, a list of accomplishments, the reason for your nomination, and any other pertinent information. For media inquiries, contact Rebecca Sheehan, Assistant to the County Executive and Director of Public Information and Media Relations, at 845-291-2700 or [presscontact@orangecountygov.com](mailto:presscontact@orangecountygov.com). Stay connected with County Executive Neuhaus and Orange County Government on social media: • Facebook: @OrangeCountyNYGovt | @Steve.Neuhaus • Instagram: @OrangeCountyNYGovt | @Steve.Neuhaus • X (formerly Twitter): @OCGovNY |

@SNeuhausOC • Check out Blueprint Orange, a behind-the-scenes look at the projects, places, and people that make Orange County a great place to live. Don't miss the new OC Local Flavor series, where County Executive Neuhaus visits local eateries and showcases the County's amazing food and businesses. And catch the latest episode of NeuCast, featuring the West Point Museum. All are available on the County Executive's page at [OrangeCountyGov.com](http://OrangeCountyGov.com).

### 3.7. Orange County Executive Neuhaus is pleased to announce the launch of Early Childhood Connections

County Executive Neuhaus is pleased to announce the launch of Early Childhood Connections, a free service designed to help families, caregivers, and providers navigate the wide range of early childhood resources available throughout the County. This initiative was developed through the work of the Orange County Infant and Early Childhood Coalition, in collaboration with the Orange County Health Department, Orange County Department of Mental Health, and the Orange County Youth Bureau. Early Childhood Connections ensure that families with young children can more easily access the services and support they need. "When families have concerns about their child's development, they deserve clear answers and compassionate support," said Orange County Executive Steve Neuhaus. "Early Childhood Connections provides a trusted place to turn, one that helps families understand their options and connect to services that support and strengthen children and families across Orange County." The phone line provides individualized guidance, resource navigation, and personalized support to families seeking assistance with developmental, behavioral, early learning, or family-support needs. Early Childhood Connections is not a crisis line; rather, it is a navigation and resource support service that helps families understand what services exist, how to access them, and how to connect with the right providers. Families, caregivers, and early childhood professionals can call 845-615-3613 or email [Ecconnections@orangecountygov.com](mailto:Ecconnections@orangecountygov.com) to receive:

- Assistance navigating early childhood programs and community resources
- Support in understanding available developmental, behavioral, and family services
- Help connecting to screenings, early intervention, and early learning supports
- Guidance on next steps when concerns arise about a child's development
- Information for providers seeking resources for the families they serve

Early Childhood Connections was created to ensure that no family feels alone or overwhelmed when trying to access services for their young children. By offering warm, knowledgeable, and personalized support, the program strengthens the network of care for Orange County's youngest residents. "The Orange County Youth Bureau has over 48 years of expertise in promoting Positive Youth Development. Part of that experience includes providing Resource and Referral assistance for children, youth, and families," shared Orange County Youth Bureau Executive Director Rachel Wilson. "We are especially excited to be a part of this new initiative to better assist families with young children access the information and services they need while providing extra support throughout the process." For a brochure with additional information about Resources for Children Ages 0-5 and Families/Caregivers please visit <https://www.orangecountygov.com/DocumentCenter/View/31409/Family-Infant-andEarly->

Childhood-Brochure?bidId=. For general media inquiries, contact Rebecca Sheehan, Assistant to the County Executive and Director of Public Information and Media Relations, at 845-291-2700 or [presscontact@orangecountygov.com](mailto:presscontact@orangecountygov.com). Stay connected with County Executive Neuhaus and Orange County Government on social media: o Facebook: @OrangeCountyNYGovt | @Steve.Neuhaus o Instagram: @OrangeCountyNYGovt | @Steve.Neuhaus o X (formerly Twitter): @OCGovNY | @SNeuhausOC Be sure to also check out the Blueprint Orange video series, a behind-the-scenes look at the projects, places, and people that make our County a great place to live. And don't miss the newest episode of NeuCast, featuring Fidanza Family Properties, now streaming [OrangeCountyGov.com](http://OrangeCountyGov.com) on the County Executive page.

### 3.8. Mobile DMV at Town Hall March 30, 2026

Orange County Clerk Kelly Eskew invites you to the Orange County Mobile DMV Unit. Transactions Offered: All Registration Transactions, all License Transactions including Real/Enhanced, Enforcement Transactions. Monday, March 30, 2026, 10:00AM-12PM, closed 12-1pm, 1-3:30pm. Monroe Town Hall, 1465 Orange Tpke., Monroe, NY 10950. Please visit [dmv.ny.gov](http://dmv.ny.gov) for all necessary original documents needed before your visit to the Mobile DMV. Expect some delays due to the high volume of customers applying for the REAL or Enhanced ID.

### 3.9. Lakeside Ladies Trivia Night

Lakeside Ladies Trivia Night

Date: Friday, April 10, 2026

Snow Date: Saturday, April 11, 2026

Time: 6:30 PM Doors Open

Games Start at 7:00 PM and goes to 9:00 PM or later

Cost: \$40 per person

Location: Lakeside Fire and Rescue Company 147 W. Mombasha Rd., Monroe

RSVP: Laura 845-325-8238

Bring your own drinks and snacks

Trattoris Italiana GWL will be there making pizza and is donating 20% of sales to the Lakeside Ladies Aux.

Tricky Tray Baskets

50/50 Raffle

Dessert will be provided

Reserve your table today. 8 people to a table. Teams of 4.

### 3.10. 2026 Orange County Household Hazardous Waste & Operation Safe Scripts Pharmaceutical Collection Event

2026 Orange County Household Hazardous Waste & Operation Safe Scripts Pharmaceutical Collection Event Saturday, March 21, 2026 9AM-3PM (Rain or Shine)

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

Entrance across from the Mid-Hudson Psychiatric Center.

Please see Flyer for details of what is/not accepted.

### 3.11. State Senate Budget Update / SUNY Orange

For those unfamiliar with the budget process, note that the Senate's budget proposal is essentially a blueprint. It's an opportunity for my Senate colleagues and I to articulate what our priorities are as negotiations continue. In coming weeks, legislative leadership and the Governor will continue to negotiate, and the final budget will be voted on/signed into law come April. I'll be sure to provide a follow-up at that time.

For now, a few highlights to share:

- **SUNY Orange as Center of Excellence:** Our budget proposal would establish a new Center of Excellence designation for SUNY Orange. OCCC would be the first community college to receive this designation if enacted. You can read more about [the program here](#).
- **\$100M DOT Boost to Region 8:** Our budget proposal includes, on top of general DOT funding, an additional \$100M in DOT funding for our region to counteract the historic underinvestment Hudson Valley infrastructure has received. According to DOT's own reporting, Region 8 roads had the lowest percentage of "good + excellent" conditions in the state—46.5%. With the Hudson Valley containing the most state roads and bridges of any region in New York, aggressive and sustained investment is vital.
- **Procurement Flexibility for Municipalities:** Our proposal includes my bill, [S.2685](#), which would remove the mandate that state and local entities must make certain purchases through Corcraft. This effort follows a [2024 hearing](#) I led on our state's prison manufacturing program, where we uncovered, among other insights, that municipalities are often locked into significantly overpaying for products created by Corcraft when they could easily find more affordable alternatives elsewhere.
- **West Shore Feasibility Study:** The Senate included \$200,000 at my request to study the feasibility of expanding passenger rail options for west-of-Hudson residents. The Orange County Legislature and numerous local municipalities have recently passed resolutions in support of such a study.
- **Tappan Zee Toll Relief:** Our proposal includes my measure to enact a resident discount for Orange County drivers on the Tappan Zee Bridge, mirroring what is already available to Westchester and Rockland residents.
- **Temporary Municipal Assistance (TMA):** The Senate supports the Governor's recommendation for \$100 million in TMA, bringing total AIM to \$150 million. The \$100M in TMA will mean 21% increases for upstate cities and 13% increases for towns and villages. The Senate also proposes establishing an AIM redesign task force to identify more equitable ways to distribute funds to our municipalities.
- **Library Double-Taxation:** The Senate includes language requesting the state's Office of Real Property Tax Services (ORPTS) assess the number of taxpayers who reside in homes that are situated in two overlapping library districts, in order to analyze the burden placed on these taxpayers and examine options for providing relief. These double-tax issues are especially pressing in some Orange County communities and I've been pushing for reform on this issue for several years.
- **Subjecting Private, For-Profit Business on Federal- or State-Owned Property to Taxation:** A loophole in current state law deprives local school districts and municipalities of much-needed revenue and provides certain for-profit businesses an unfair competitive advantage;

this issue is especially acute in the Town of Highlands which hosts West Point where some private businesses, like the Thayer Hotel, pay zero dollars in property taxes. My legislation to close this loophole is included in the Senate's budget proposal.

Some items have been included in previous years' proposals but ultimately didn't get across the finish line, so we're taking another swing at them. I look forward to keeping you all informed in coming weeks as we approach a final, enacted FY27 state budget. As always, my team and I are available to answer any questions you may have.

## **Acceptance of Minutes**

### 4.1. Acceptance of March 2, 2026 Minutes

#### **2026-#142**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to accept the Minutes of March 2, 2026.

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

**Ayes: Supervisor Richardson, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Stephens, Town Council Member Rivera, Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

## **Audit of Claims**

### 5.1. Abstract of Audited Vouchers Escrow #26-03

#### **2026-#143**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe approves Abstract of Audited Vouchers Escrow #26-03 totaling \$9,543.40.

**On a motion by Supervisor Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Stephens**

**Ayes: Supervisor Richardson, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Stephens, Town Council Member Rivera, Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

### 5.2. Abstract of Audited Vouchers Abstract #26-05 General Fund

#### **2026-#144**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe approves Abstract of Audited

Vouchers Abstract #26-05 General Fund totaling \$315,490.95.

**On a motion by Supervisor Richardson, seconded by Town Councilmember Stephens**

**Ayes: Supervisor Richardson, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Stephens, Town Council Member Rivera, Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

## **New Business**

### 6.1. Fund Balance Policy for Website

Darius will be drafting a Resolution for a Fund Balance Policy.

## **Old Business**

### 7.1. Monroe - Bond Resolution for Water District No.14

#### **2026-#145**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made the following Resolution by Councilperson Bingham and seconded by Councilperson Rivera:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF MONROE, NEW YORK, ADOPTED MARCH 16, 2026, APPROPRIATING \$577,539 FOR THE INCREASE AND IMPROVEMENT OF FACILITIES OF WATER DISTRICT NO. 14, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$577,539 BONDS OF SAID TOWN TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

Offered by: Councilperson Bingham

Seconded By: Councilperson Rivera

#### Recitals

WHEREAS, in 2013, the New York State Public Service Commission approved an application by the Town of Monroe (herein called the "Town"), in the County of Orange, New York, to operate the private water system that was formerly owned and operated by the Orchard Hill Water Company (the "Company"), and had fell into disrepair following the deaths of the owners of said Company;

WHEREAS, prior to the establishment of Water District No. 14 and the adoption of a bond resolution pursuant to Section 165.10 of the Local Finance Law, the Town had spent General Fund money in the amount of \$577,539 to make improvements to water system;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 412 of the New York Laws of 2025, the establishment of Water District No. 14 was legalized, validated, ratified and confirmed and authorized the Town to issue bonds or notes in the principal amount of \$577,539 on behalf of Water District No. 14 for the purpose of reimbursing the General Fund of the Town for the advances made to pay for the improvements to the

water system;

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF MONROE, IN THE COUNTY OF ORANGE, NEW YORK (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Board) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Pursuant to Chapter 412 of the New York Laws of 2025, the Town Board hereby appropriates the amount of \$577,539, for the increase and improvement of facilities of Water District No. 14, all as further described in the recitals hereof. The estimated maximum cost thereof, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, will not exceed \$577,539. The plan of financing includes the issuance of not to exceed \$577,539 bonds of the Town to finance said appropriation, and the collection of charges from water metering and/or the assessment, levy and collection of assessments upon the several lots and parcels of land within the District which the Town Board shall deem benefited thereby, so much upon and from each as shall be in just proportion to the amount of benefit which the improvement shall confer upon the same, to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

Section 2. Bonds of the Town in the principal amount of not to exceed \$577,539 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to Chapter 412 of the New York Laws of 2025 and the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called the "Law"), to finance said appropriation.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and stated:

(a) The period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose for which said bonds are authorized to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 1 of the Law, is forty (40) years, commencing on January 1, 2013.

(b) The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds may be applied to reimburse the Town for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

(c) The proposed maturity of the serial bonds authorized by this resolution will exceed five (5) years.

Section 4. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation said bonds shall be general obligations of the Town, payable as to both principal and interest by a general tax upon all the taxable real property within the Town. The faith and credit of the Town are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the Town by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes issued in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 of the Law relative to the authorization of the issuance of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and Section 50.00 and Sections 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the Town Board relative to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized, and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes, and as to executing contracts for credit enhancements and providing for substantially level or declining annual debt service, are hereby delegated to the Supervisor, the chief fiscal officer of the Town.

Section 6. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the

Town is not authorized to expend money, or

- (b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution, or a summary thereof, are not substantially complied with, and

an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

- (c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately and the Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish this bond resolution, in summary, in the official newspaper(s) of the Town, together with the Town Clerk's statutory notice in the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law of the State of New York.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was seconded by Councilperson Rivera and duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

AYES:5

NOES:0

The resolution was declared adopted.

**On a motion by Town Councilmember Bingham, seconded by Town Council Member Rivera**

**Ayes: Supervisor Richardson, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Stephens, Town Council Member Rivera, Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

7.2. Board Review for Approval or Denial RE STR 308 Lakes Rd.

**2026-#146**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to approve STR located at 308 Lakes Rd. (SBL: 19-1-2).

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

**Ayes: Supervisor Richardson, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Stephens, Town Council Member Rivera, Town Councilmember Bingham**

**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 Sotoropoulis
- Carol Scully
- Dan Burke
- Rick Colon
- Rhonda Avla

- Carol Sotoropoulis: Spoke on Resolution RE NY Dor All Act. Credible, verified reports where family members were taken with no criminal records.

- Carol Scully: Spoke RE the Food Pantry at Town Hall.

- Dan Burke: Spoke RE the Police Force for the Town. Budget was stripped. Traffic Control (speed cameras). Looking forward to the next year and a half.

- Rick Colon: Commented on Town Board Member Rivera's comments from last meeting with regard to being prepared for an emergency situation.

- Rhonda Avla: Woodbury Animal Shelter. Suggested broadcasting animals that need homes.

- Supervisor Richardson: (Food Pantry Transcript)

Kearny: The original idea originated from the town as it's all eagle projects that we do for the town originate from. We approach the town, we say, "We're available to do projects, let us know what you need" And then the idea is generated as a town. things that we've done in the parks, the tables, the signs, all of that was generally created by Anne Marie Morris, with Tony Cardone, and then they would approach us and say, "Okay, we have this project. If you have a scout that needs a project, they can do X, Y, Z. Um, we approve it. we approve projects, sometimes we don't, depending on what the project is." Sometimes we do see projects in need around town, we have ideas, um, and we would go to the town for that, but, um, in the case of the food pantry, um, it was something that, um, Tony Cardone had come up with. Um, these food pantries have gotten a lot of rest lately in, you know, across Orange County. There's quite a few of them. Um, I believe there's a food pantry similar to this in Goshen. I know there's a couple of towns in Westchester that do it.

Richardson: And who stocks them and keeps them running?

Kearny: Uh, what was that?

Richardson: Who maintains those other projects, like, who stocks them? If it's a Boy Scout project, do the Boy Scouts keep maintaining it, or you do you hand over the responsibility to the organization?

Kearny: So as far as my understanding with the other projects was how the other towns run, the idea behind the food pantry is similar to kind of what the Girl Scouts did. It's owned and, maintained by the town. The vision that I believe Tony had for the pantry was, as it works, in other towns, is that it's a place for people in the community to donate food to people that need, and people in need, know that that food pantry is available. So, I know people in the town, they have left food in that pantry area, cold, you know, refrigerated food, and cold storage food, and then other people have come and taken the food out of there.

They're supposed to be community run where people in the community would draw food off, and people in need would pick it up. Now, I believe the idea was that after we handed over the food pantry to the town, the town this year was going to go ahead with, with, like, reaching out to the supermarkets about, you know, damaged food that they might have. You know, I heard at the time that, you know, a lot of supermarkets in the area, they have a damaged can of corn, peas or something. They're not allowed to sell that.

Richardson: Right.

Kearny: They're not allowed to sell that, and they probably would not be allowed to donate that as well. Well, that was, that was the, you know, we've done, you know, I remember doing collecting of food from, um, supermarkets that we donated that back to food pantries. So that's something that scouts do, you know, if a supermarket has a damaged can of corn or the label is slightly torn, that they can't go on their shelves, they typically write that off. And the idea was that, you know, the town would collect that food. But also, the idea was that this would be known to the restaurants and area, that if restaurants wanted to donate extra food that they had, that would be a place they could go. Um, I heard, you know, towns, um, also promoting the idea at Thanksgiving that, um, people that have, like, a shop, right, for example, where they can donate a turkey. I know 4 or 5 turkeys, I believe, were left in the Monroe food pantry box this past Thanksgiving. We're quickly taken out of there by people that needing them, but that way the idea that people in the community would, um, maintain, you know, kind of, um, stock, stock the, the shed, and then also people in the community could take food from it. Maintenance of the shed would be done by the town. So, we agreed to build the shed by the refrigerator, build a shed, and then we handed over. We actually did a food drive to give it its 1st kind of, you know, push off the ground in terms of getting food into it. We did that as an add-on in November, but then we officially handed over the food shed to the town the weekend before Thanksgiving. With any project, once the scout hands it over and, you know, we're kind of completed outside of the project, the scouts, you know, we don't maintain the shed after that point. Just like, you know, the benches we build and the tables we've done in the parks and the trails and the signs, all of those projects, once they're completed by the scout, they hand it over to the town. Right, well, there's an ongoing maintenance with the tables, unless we wanted to re-stain or preserve them, or do something like that.

Richardson: So, what he's saying, without saying it, is basically that Tony was dishonest. He's not saying that because he's not making moral accusations. However, if Tony approached them and asked for the project, um, I believe that, because there's no reason why a Troop leader would lie to us sitting here on the phone. And that also, at a meeting, when pressed, Tony also said that once it's handed over to the town, the town is responsible, but he also said that Sacred Heart was going to be the manager. We would not have agreed to these conditions otherwise. And if you noticed, we expressed very vehemently some insurance and other issues at the time. And by the way, this was never permitted. With our building inspector, this was never permitted. There was electrical and concrete work done. There were physical changes to the building, which required consent from both the town board and building inspector, including permits, which were never sought. So now we're dealing with permanent alterations, which require permitting, and also liability issues, because we are not covered by Good Samaritan law. We're not a nonprofit. We're the government. If a grocery store can't sell a defective can of corn, the government should not be giving you a defective can of corn, if that makes sense. We're even more liable. So, this project may not be a good fit. Um, I appreciate and commend every effort that was put in. My brothers were Boy Scouts, just because we had criticisms of the project does not mean that we were anti-Boy Scout, anti-charity, or anti-food bank. But now we are left with a mess, and we are basically trying to understand how this came to be. Um, as well as, what can be a tenable way forward because obviously we don't want to be the ones who, I don't know, have to pull out from a food bank effort at the town hall, but that might be what we're faced with doing.

Kearny: Right, so, so, let me, so, um, back up a couple, couple things there. So 1st with the food safety laws. So, um, we made it very clear, um, at the beginning of the project, when we were the concept staged that, um, you know, we're not, you know, the town should, um, you know, be, when you have any legal liabilities with food. Right. My understanding, I'm not a lawyer. But I looked into this kind of just, like, at the very top level. You're definitely not covered by the good Samaritan laws, because the good Samaritan laws apply to individuals. You know, if I, as an individual, give something to you, like, I give CPR to somebody, and they break, I break, they're... Right, right, right, right. That doesn't apply to a town. The town is called under other good food donation laws, and they're also protected by a federal law. As I understand it, as the reasoning that I've received from other towns, other towns can choose that have done these type of projects, their towns are covered under federal law. The only time a municipality would be liable for something, is if they knowingly put something bad into a, or they knowingly, would negligent in maintaining sheds. For example, if the town, if it was proven that the town knowingly puts spoiled milk into a refrigerator, or the town knowingly knew that, you know, someone had damaged food, or food was stale up there, and they didn't do anything about it.

Richardson: Right, but you can define "knowing" via a lawsuit.

Kearny: Right, yeah. Right. That's a long laundry list of, well, I think, but this is the, this is the reasoning or this is how other towns view these sheds that, you know, that they're, they're in safe ground between the New York State food, donation loss, and as well as, there's a federal, law protecting municipalities, the towns, from, um, you know, liability related to these things. The 2nd thing you mentioned there was the issue about the permits. So, we also made it clear at the very beginning that, um, we were not doing any type of permanent work. We were told that as long as we built a shed, that a licensed electrician was running that power to the shed, which a licensed electrician did, the town hired an electrician to run that power from the building along the fence, and created an outlet for us to plug it in. There was no permanent trouble on it because we were told that because it was on under 144 square feet, that we were fine. Um, so, we made it clear that we were not, you know, if the town was comfortable with increasing and taking care of all that, with the electrical, we weren't gonna hook up the electrical to it, so they're building in any way, we weren't, we weren't, we even told them, we weren't gonna run the outlet to the shed. There was no way we were gonna do that part, so that part, that part was done by the town, and I believe it was done by a licensed electrician, and we just simply plugged it, the electrician was fine. When he did the work, you know, looked at the work that was done inside the shed, agreed to it, and, you know, gave us the permission to, once he had hooked up the outlet outside that's attached to the fence, that we could plug into it. So, our responsibility came from the plug into the shed, and then the town responsible from the plug back to the building. We had nothing to do with running that portion of it. So, you are right. As far as I know, like, my scout didn't, um, you know, apply for a permit or do anything related to the corporate process. We were told that, you know, basically we'll take care of it. Yeah, it's not... It's not... on how that whole thing, um, began and kind of how it evolved. So, when we create this project, we were asked, initially, it was going to be done at town hall. We were told, oh, my scout was told to find a location in Monroe for the shed. So, we looked at quite a few locations, but there's a police station in Monroe. We looked at a bunch of firehouses, we looked at [?] we looked at a few places. The criteria was that we needed to have the shed or a location for this township in a centralized location in the town. Number one, number two, it needed to be secure. I need to have proper lighting outside so people would feel safe. And third was security cameras. We were told that, ideally, that the shed should be in a place where it could be watched. Um, We looked at quite a few different places. Um, at part of that process, I called Sacred Heart. I wanted to give them the heads up that we were doing this project. Not that they were responsible for it, but that they knew that it was happening. You know, Sacred Heart was considered as one of those locations. And I said to you, I mean, would you like this shed, you know, we're looking for a location. Is this something you'd be interested in doing? I was very clear with me that, no, that they can't have any type of facility like that. They don't want to be bringing people into that property and coming and going, you know, as they please. Totally understand. But they were, I said, can this, this schedule be available? If,

when it's built, if you want to send people over there that need food, when you guys aren't open, it'll be available. Also be available for you if you haven't had extra meals or overload food or like access food for you to have a place to put the food. I made it very clear to them, and, you know, I'm very, I know Kim very well, is that there's no commitment by sacred heart at all, maintain, put food in it, maintain it, clean it, or anything like that. I also made the same phone call to the Woodbury, food pantry, and let them know about it. It just as a courtesy to let them know that this food pantry was going in, that it's a resource for people that might need food to have a place to go. When the shed was completed, I made a call to Kim. I said, the food pantry's up and running. This was at a time in November when we were going through the government shutdown, and, you know, people were losing food stamps, and they was concerned, they were getting calls from people about where to get food, and we wanted to let them know that they couldn't refer people over to the food pantry at Monroe, and, um, there was food there, because we had just completed the food drive. But there was never any commitment by Sacred Heart to me or anybody else to maintain that shed. I believe the way that Sacred Heart was dragged into this was as we were working on this shed, as we were doing food drives, many people would come up to my scout and say, Oh, is this part of Sacred Heart's food pantry? And we were very clear, no, it's not, this is, this is, um, sponsored and maintained by the town of Monroe. Sacred Heart has nothing to do with this. They're aware of it, they're not obligated anyway. People kept coming up, people from the community, people were sending us emails, suggesting that, you know, a sacred heart was part of this. And we kept telling people, No, this is not part of this. My scout, who, when he went to that town, board meeting, he's not, he's not a person of sacred heart. He doesn't know the difference between when he hears the sacred heart food pantry in the town of Monroe, and he got, you know, obviously, I think, a little bit, kind of mixed up with hewing all his talk about sacred heart food pantry that he somehow together. So, it was unfortunate that he said that during that town meeting, but the Sacred Heart never committed to me or committed to the troop or committed to anybody that they were going to maintain that food shed. Um, It just was something that, I think, got out of hand in the community. And whenever I heard people talking about that, I corrected them. But it seemed to come up almost weekly from somebody.

Richardson: Yeah, it was an announcement made by Cardone. It wasn't the Scout.

Kearny: And I just want to make one more point about the location of the shed. So, we looked at all these different locations. We went back with a couple of ideas, and the town came to us, said, the best place for that shed that they wanted. was at the town hall. Right. Number one, because it was near a parking lot. It was even easy for people to drop food off and pick food up. It's lit at night, so people felt safe there. I believe there's a camera there also that directly fed to the Monroe PD and it's also on the 2 hour drive by, I guess, the route for a police check. So that was why that location was chosen for the food shed. It just wasn't something that, you know, you know, was thought of, just, kind of, hazard Leola, which I'm gonna stick this food shed, you know, in front of the town. There was, you know, actually, a lot of thought went into why I would go there as opposed to the 4 other 5 other locations that we talked about. Um, so that's how the food shed ended up there. as development of it. So, sacred heart, never had any commitment to it. Um, from our research, that, you know, some of these sheds, if you, if you looked them up there, actually quite popular in a lot of towns. Um, as, as an eagle scout project, going them is a popular idea. I know of several scouts. I heard of articles of several scouts building these typos, food bank sheds, um, so it was a proven idea as an eagle project, but it was really Tony and coming to us and saying, this is something that he heard of. It was very, it was in the news a lot last year, and you know, before in 2023, um, where at 2024, where Tony was like, I'd like to do something like this in Monroe. The Girl Scout Project, with the Community Garden.

Richardson: Yes, that was very successful.

Kearny: Yes. And this food shed was kind of a, an extension of that idea.

Richardson: Right.

Kearny: It's how I heard it was, the Girl Scout Project was very, was a very good resource of that property, a very successful, and we want to kind of, you know, also have a food shed for cold food and dry good. And that's how, kind of, we got involved with it. And the arrangement was that, um, my scout would use it as an eagle project. He would raise the money for it. Right. And wouldn't count anything to do. because the cost went somewhere around \$2,000 or \$3,000. So, my scout, you know, raised the money, wanted the refrigerator, did the research on it.

Richardson: Right.

Kearny: You know, made sure that it was ventilated and it doesn't get too hot. summer, too cold in the winter, insulated it, did everything according to the specs of how, you know, an outdoor shed, these food pantry should be built into that specification. So that's how it kind of all came about. I do a lot there, but I just want to just, you know, mention those points.

Bingham: Okay, well, one of the concerns I had was, um, the maintenance, uh, because I saw Steve Thau one day, and he was cleaning out a container of, I think it was soup that had spilled. And I'm like, well, I thought this was being maintained by Sacred Heart. That's how this whole issue came up. Because we don't have volunteers or staff to maintain this long term, so, like, we never would have agreed to this kind of a thing. So...

Kearny: No, I know the food shed is also damaged at one point in December. We had a reach out from a person in the community, and they said that they went over there to put, I think it was blueberries or some fruit inside the refrigerator, opened the storm door, the wind caught it, bent it back, and broke the door completely off the shed. but the shed...

Bingham: No, yeah, we did hear that. Mm-hmm.

Kearny: You know, even though my scout, at that point, kind of clear from the project, we had to get over to the town. We donated it. We did go back with Steve Thau, and I think Tony, to just fix the, fix the door, and they bought the parts for it themselves to fix the door that we didn't want to leave it there for Christmas, all broken up. Um, but that was like kind of an extra thing that the scout did. He didn't he wasn't obligated to do that.

Richardson: Right.

Kearny: Once that's handed over, but that's our job that...

Richardson: I hope you can understand what our concern was. We don't have anybody, long term, checking on it. That's an incurred cost that we didn't venture. I mean, everyone thinks it's a fantastic idea to feed the community, but the reason that nobody is feeding the community is because it's a cost, a liability, and a maintenance issue, right? So, that's sort of the practical reality we're now faced with. So, we just wanted to be in touch with you, and we have to see what our responsibility here is moving forward. I know you said that you think that the municipality should be aware of their liabilities and the law when it comes to food hosting. And that is something that we are still not aware of. So, we need to find that out through our own insurance representative and our attorney. And I just didn't want there to be any sort of confusion or hard feelings in case something occurs with this. We appreciate everyone's hard work on this, but we don't know that we can be in the business of being a food pantry moving forward. We would love to try to make it work moving forward. But, um, we don't have anybody to manage it and the work has still never been filed or permitted with the Building Inspector.

Kearny: I do have two suggestions now. This is, you know, I've been approached by two other places to build these boxes. They saw the one that you guys have, and they're like, that's great idea. You know, can you do something like that for us? And my response back right now is like, I don't have any scout that needs a new project.

Richardson: Right.

Kearny: Right now, no. So, one is the town of Woodbury. Okay. Supervisor took over there. Supervisor, Jackie Hernandez, yeah. The food pantry idea, she's expressed interest to me to, I have us build one over there. Not right now, though, because they might be in the process of, um, moving their town hall, so they don't want to have the food tension box right now. I was number one, number two. One of the places that I spoke to last year as a potential location, when it was outside of Monroe, was the Woodberry food pantry over at the Monroe Presbyterian Church, on Route 32 by the Highland Hill Cemetery. They have the food bank program over there. They've expressed interest to me, you know, about building something similar to that. They like the idea of it. Um, but, we couldn't do it there because it wasn't in Monroe. We needed we needed a location in Monroe for the one that we built for Monroe for my Eagle Scouts. Right, right. We told them that, you know, we'll come back to you at some point. So, there were two possible locations where you could probably maybe relocate it to.

Richardson: Okay. But, again, that's... We'd love to keep it. Yeah, that's like the worst-case scenario if we have to move it. That's a great idea. Um, we would love to be able to have volunteers to manage and maintain it. I don't know if the school needs community hours or anything like that. But we just wanted to be in touch with you because this was just a confusion for us coming into it.

Bingham: It also was a confusion for Sacred Heart. They were, you know, completely in the dark when I said, oh, are you coming to stock it? And they're like, no.

Richardson: Right.

Kearny: So, yeah, I totally, I totally understand what you guys are saying, and I really appreciate the call, too. Um, I just want to also just make one, you know, one earlier point, you know, clear, um, in terms of the concept of how this started. So, these had been Boy Scout projects, and I believe Tony had heard about them, and they came to us and saying, "Can you do something like that for us?"

Richardson: Right.

Kearny: It wasn't us going to Tony and introducing the idea to him saying, listen, this is what we do. This is what we want to do. It was, you know, totally hearing about these type of projects and saying, oh, can you guys do something like this for us? So, you know, there was a kind of a two-way street in terms of the development of the idea.

Richardson: Right.

Kearny: I don't want it to seem like, you know, the town 100% kind of came up with the idea of the blue and came to us about it. They, they, Tony and the other, I guess, other town management people heard about it through other stuff projects at other towns. and happened in a couple towns down in Westchester, that they said, let's try and do something like that here too, as an add-on to the Girl Scout kind of concept. So that kind of the idea of how it started. So I wanted to be just cleaner about where that idea came from. All right? Um, but in terms of, like, relocating it or anything like that, you know, you could, you could probably do that. Um, it is, has been, that's been designed to be able to move.

Richardson: Okay.

Kearny: That's why there's no concrete pad under it, um, because that was part of one of the design ideas as well, in case it needed to ever be moved.

Richardson: Okay.

Kearny: It could be, you know, just take the refrigerator out, and it could be moved pretty easily.

Richardson: Okay, sounds good. Um, listen, if I can make it work and we have some people who would be interested in keeping it clean, um, even if, I don't know... If the insurance guy lets us keep it, we'll try and make it work, but it's good to know that we have those other options, so thank you so much.

Kearny: Yep. Absolutely. And, um, can I just give you my cell phone in case anything comes up, um, with the Boy Scouts or with this project, anything like that, you can reach out to me directly.

Richardson: Yeah, yeah, sure. Are any of your Monroe Eagle Scouts in need of a project this year? I wasn't sure on the timeline. Like I said, my brothers were also in the Boy Scouts, but...

Kearny: Yeah, so I do have some scouts on the horizon probably next year or so, but nothing imminent right now. We have 2 doing projects already. Not with the town of Monroe at all. Right. But I do have probably scouts available, you know, probably in like the spring of 2027.

Richardson: Okay.

Kearny: ...they're going to be looking for projects. But I can certainly reach out to you at that time and, you know, put them in touch with you. What we usually do is, you know, the scout drives the project and the scout would contact the town. Um, contact you, you know, about, is there any possible projects and, um, you would then have to scout, know, kind of flush out the idea. And, you know, I would be involved with the scout and just making sure that's an appropriate, appropriate project.

Richardson: Right. And then we're having our annual community clean sweep. I'm sure that you know.

Kearny: I think it's amazing. Yep, will be there for that. Yep, this year, we do that that every year.

Richardson: And we're also going to probably do a tree planting that day, so any of those kinds of opportunities, um, do you guys typically... would you like notice if there are community service opportunities? I know some of the kids just are looking for service hours.

Kearny: We do the clean sweeps, both, and we go with Woodbury. We do tree plantings. We did a big tree planting event at the Res last fall over in Woodbury. I believe we've done some tree planting over the years in Monroe as well. So, tree planting, uh, clean sweeps, that's kind of right up our alley.

Richardson: Okay, so sounds good. Now you have my number and my email If there's anything that I could help you out with. Just feel free to always reach out to me.

Kearny: All right, sounds good. Thank you so much.

Richardson: Thank you, Ryan.

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

### 9.1. Enter into Executive Session

#### **2026-#147**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Enter into Executive Session to discuss ongoing legal matters.

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

**Ayes: Supervisor Richardson, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Stephens, Town Council Member Rivera, Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

## **Return to Regular Meeting**

### 10.1. Return to Regular Meeting

#### **2026-#148**

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

**On a motion by Supervisor Richardson, seconded by Town Council Member Rivera**

**Ayes: Supervisor Richardson, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Stephens, Town Council Member Rivera, Town Councilmember Bingham**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**

## **Adjournment**

### 11.1. Adjournment of Meeting

#### **2026-#149**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Adjourn the Meeting of March 16, 2026, at 8:45 PM.

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

**Ayes: Supervisor Richardson, Town Councilmember Scancarello, Town Councilmember Stephens, Town Council Member Rivera, Town Councilmember**

**Bingham**

**Nays: None**

**Abstain: None**