

TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE – MARCH 18, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Byrne called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE: In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6 et. Seq.; Mayor Byrne read the public notice and indicated the fire exits.

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Byrne led the Township’s Prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Byrne, Commissioner Reilly, Commissioner Koomer, Clerk Slowik, Attorney Colicchio, WPD Sergeant Panzarino, WVFD Chief Dustin & CFO Ho

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: RMTc 03/04/24 & Special Meeting 03/04/24; Motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and Seconded by Commissioner Koomer, with all members present voting in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS: None Presented

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: None Presented

REQUISITIONS: As Presented (\$696.00) Motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and Seconded by Commissioner Koomer, with all members present voting in the affirmative.

LISTED REQUISITIONS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE, MARCH 18, 2024

REQ #	DEPARTMENT	JUSTIFICATION	AMOUNT
9397	OEM	CONFERENCE	\$121.00
9398	OEM	REGISTRATION	\$250.00
9409	WPD & WMC	TITLE 39 CODE MANUAL	\$234.00

TOTAL: \$696.00

UNLISTED REQUISITIONS: None Presented

BILLS: As Presented (\$36,626.53); Motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and Seconded by Commissioner Koomer, with all members present voting in the affirmative.

List of Bills - (100001) CASH - CHECKING
Current Fund

Check#	Vendor	Description	Payment	Check Total
8568	712 - ANNA LOWREY	PO 15810 {023-332} REIMBURSEMENT FOR ARTS & CRAFT	107.39	107.39
8569	1003 - ASSOCIATED HUMANE SOCIETIES	PO 15817 FEBRUARY ANIMAL CONTROL 2024	333.33	333.33
8570	98 - COUNTY OF UNION - MOTOR VEHICLES	PO 15815 FEBRUARY FUEL	967.35	967.35
8571	921 - CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY	PO 15821 2024 LIBRARY SERVICES	60.00	60.00
8572	1155 - EMERGENCY SERVICES MARKETING CORP, INC	PO 15718 FAGING SYSTEM	860.00	860.00
8573	903 - FP MAILING SOLUTIONS	PO 15820 1ST QTR POSTAGE MACHINE RENTAL	111.00	111.00
8574	871 - KENILWORTH CAR WASH & QUICK LUBE	PO 15822 CAR WASH TICKETS# F190501	8.50	8.50
8575	889 - NEW JERSEY FIRE EQUIPMENT COMPANY	PO 15484 FIT TESTING	275.00	275.00
8576	939 - NEW JERSEY FIRE EQUIPMENT COMPANY	PO 15591 GLOBE SUPREFLEX LEATHER 14" PULL ON BOOT	200.00	200.00
8577	1103 - PowerDMS	PO 15806 POWERDMS LICENSE, PRO LICENSE AND TRAINI	5,000.22	5,000.22
8578	983 - PRINCETON.HOSTED SOLUTIONS	PO 15818 MARCH PHONE SERVICE	848.20	848.20
8579	1148 - STORAGE SYSTEMS USA	PO 15647 INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT - LOCKERS FOR POLIC	13,282.00	13,282.00
8580	787 - SURVIVOR FIRE & SAFETY	PO 15761 2023 ANNUAL INSPECTION AND TESTING OF FI	494.50	494.50
8581	166 - THE HOME NEWS & TRIBUNE	PO 15814 MARCH NEWSPAPER SUBSCRIPTION	59.00	59.00
8582	166 - THE HOME NEWS & TRIBUNE	PO 15819 NOTICE OF MEETING	9.36	9.36
8583	170 - TREASURER - STATE OF NJ	PO 15823 BFCE REGISTRATION RENEWAL FEE	382.00	382.00
8584	218 - U. C. MUN. INVESTIGATORS ASSOC.	PO 15907 2024 MEMBERSHIP DUES	175.00	175.00
8585	732 - U. C. TRAFFIC OFFICERS ASSOC.	PO 15808 2024 ANNUAL DUES UNION COUNTY TRAFFIC OF	60.00	60.00
8586	32 - VERIZON	PO 15816 COURT ROUTER 3/2 - 4/1 FOR ZOOM SESSION	139.65	139.65
8587	994 - WE MASON CO., INC	PO 15798 Blizzard Natural Spring Water Jug, 5-Gal	44.70	44.70
TOTAL				23,417.20

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WIRE TRANSFERS

WIRE TRANSFER - PBA DUES FOR MARCH	\$450.00
WIRE TRANSFER - GIORDANO RECYCLING FEBRUARY	\$4,583.33
WIRE TRANSFER - SCHOOL TAXES MARCH	\$8,176.00

WIRE TRANSFERS = \$ 13,209.33
TOTAL PAID FROM CURRENT FUND = \$ 23,417.20
GRAND TOTAL = \$ 36,626.53

UNLISTED BILLS: As Presented (\$.00) Motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and Seconded by Commissioner Koomer, with all members present voting in the affirmative.

UNLISTED BILL FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE, MARCH 4, 2024

<u>CHECK #</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>JUSTIFICATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
8588	A&E	ATTORNEY	\$1,336.50

TOTAL \$1,336.50

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None Presented

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None Presented

NEW BUSINESS: As Presented

Twp Ordinance # 464 An Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14):

Move the Approval of the Draft of the Ordinance: Motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and Seconded by Commissioner Koomer, with all members present voting in the affirmative.

Move to Take up the Ordinance of First Reading by Title: Motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and Seconded by Commissioner Koomer, with all members present voting in the affirmative.

Read Ordinance by Title Ordinance Passed on First Reading: Motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and Seconded by Commissioner Koomer, with all members present voting in the affirmative.

Ordinance to Be Taken Up on Second Reading: Motion that the ordinance be taken up on second and final reading for approval and adoption at the Regular Meeting of the Township Committee to be held on April 15, 2024 at 7:00PM in the Municipal Building; Motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and Seconded by Commissioner Koomer, with all members present voting in the affirmative.



**TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD - ORD. # 464
COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
CALENDAR YEAR 2024 - ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL
BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.50% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield in the County of Union finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2024 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that a 1.00% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$22,003.01 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield, in the County of Union, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2024 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Winfield shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.50%, amounting to \$77,010.54, and that the CY 2024 municipal budget for the Township of Winfield be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

	MOTIONED	SECONDED	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
COMM. ROBERT F. REILLY						
COMM. ADAM D. KOOMER						
MAYOR. JOSEPH BYRNE						

I hereby certify that the above Ordinance was introduced by the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield at a meeting held on March 18, 2024

Melanie Stowik, Twp. Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

The foregoing ordinance was introduced and approved on first reading at the regular meeting of the Winfield Township Committee held on 03/18/2024 and will be considered for public hearing and final adoption at the regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on 04/15/2024 at 7:00 PM in the Municipal Building, 12 Gulfstream Avenue, Winfield, NJ.

Resolution # 24-19 Authorization to Read Budget by Title Only: Motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and Seconded by Commissioner Koomer, with all members present voting in the affirmative.



**TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD - RESOLUTION #24-19
COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZATION TO READ BUDGET BY TITLE ONLY**

MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE

Section 1.

Municipal Budget of the TOWNSHIP of WINFIELD, County of UNION for the Fiscal Year 2024

Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2024;

Be it Further Resolved, that said Budget be published in the The Home News Tribune

in the issue of Monday, March 25, 2024

The Governing Body of the TOWNSHIP of WINFIELD does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2024:

RECORDED VOTE
(Insert Last Name)

Ayes	Nays	Abstained	
		Absent	

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the COMMITTEEPERSONS of the TOWNSHIP of WINFIELD, County of UNION, on March 18th, 2024.

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at Township of Winfield, on April 15th, 2024 at 7:00 o'clock P.M. at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2024 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

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Resolution # 24-21 Agreement – Veneratus Corporation: Motion was made by Commissioner Reilly and Seconded by Commissioner Koomer, with all members present voting in the affirmative.



**TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD – RESOLUTION #24-21
COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AGREEMENT – VENERATUS CORPORATION**

WHEREAS, a contract offer has been received for the continued support for Malware Security and Response MSP in the amount of \$342.00, Website Registration fee \$144.00 and additional Technical Support in the amount of \$2,364.00; and

WHEREAS, this contract covers support from 05/01/2024 through 04/30/2025 for the Township of Winfield Municipal Complex; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and/or Clerk be authorized to enter into with:

**VENERATUS CORPORATION
PO Box 1081
Cranford, New Jersey 07016**

Dated: March 18, 2024

							I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield at a meeting held on March 18, 2024.
MAYOR JOSEPH P. BYRNE							
COMM. ROBERT F. REILLY							
COMM. ADAM D. KOOMER							

Melanie Slowik, Acting Twp. Clerk

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CITIZEN'S FORUM: WVFD Chief Dustin – I asked (previously Mayor) Commissioner Koomer, last year to look into helping us fund our fees for the police department for our annual carnival. If they did mention it, did they talk about it with other mayors, like Clark, Linden and Cranford and how they help the police department for their services, do you remember that.? Commissioner Koomer – I don't. WVFD Chief Dustin- its defiantly on the record. Commissioner Koomer – okay, no, I just don't remember, but that's ok. Dustin- to offset some of our costs and it's great that we have our CFO here, is there any way to help here, because we are spending, and we have great protection and its great service, and as a retired cop we don't work for free, but it's between 12 and 15 thousand dollars, can we take a look, can you look into it with the upcoming budget to offset the cost to the department. It would be greatly appreciated. Melanie if you can check back, because I did ask. At the mayors' meetings, if you do attend those, how the other municipalities in the county if you can ask how to offset the cost. Thank you; Mayor Byrne- thank you.

ADJOURNMENT: There being nothing further to come before the Township Committee, Mayor Byrne called for a motion to adjourn; Roll call vote, unanimous, affirmative.

TIME: 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Melanie Slowik
Acting Township Clerk