

**TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE – NOVEMBER 6, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Koomer 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 Koomer read the public notice and indicated the fire exits.

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Prayer led by Clerk Slowik & Pledge led by Mayor Koomer & Commissioners

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Koomer, Commissioner Byrne, Commissioner Reilly, Clerk Slowik, Atty. Colicchio, WPD Chief Mazzarella & WVFD Chief Dustin

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: TC Meeting 10/16/2023; Motion was made by Commissioner Byrne and Seconded by Commissioner Reilly, with all members present voting in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS: None Presented

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: As Presented- Finance 10/23

REQUISITIONS: As Presented (\$3,304.35)

LISTED REQUISITIONS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE, NOVEMBER 6TH, 2023

REQ #	DEPARTMENT	JUSTIFICATION	AMOUNT
9222	WFD	GAS METERS & CHARGERS	\$1,660.00
9233	WPD	WINDOW TINTING	\$200.00
9234	WPD	VELCRO BADGE EMBLEMS	\$30.00
9235	WPD	DEFIBTECH LIFELINE BATTERY	\$149.95
9236	WPD	ADVANTAGE MAINTENANCE 12 MONTHS	\$1,264.40

TOTAL: \$3,304.35

UNLISTED REQUISITIONS: None Presented

BILLS: As Presented (\$336,885.92) Motion was made by Commissioner Byrne and Seconded by Commissioner Reilly, with all members present voting in the affirmative.

**List of Bills - (10001) CASH - CHECKING
Current Fund**

Check#	Vendor	Description	Payment	Check Total
8389	1112 - ADAM KOOMER	PO 15649 2023 NJLM CONVENTION EXPENSES	250.00	250.00
8390	597 - BIS DIGITAL	PO 15544 (UNION COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT) LAP	6,859.00	6,859.00
8391	921 - CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY	PO 15640 2023 LIBRARY SERVICES	120.00	120.00
8392	1005 - DAVID ALTIERI	PO 15637 2023 VISION REIMBURSEMENT - CONTACTS	316.12	316.12
8393	48 - DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF NJ	PO 15633 NOVEMBER DENTAL COVERAGE	2,340.19	2,340.19
8394	39 - ELIZABETHTOWN GAS CO	PO 15644 NATURAL GAS SVC 9/12 - 10/11	129.54	129.54
8395	557 - FORD MOTOR CREDIT - MUNICIPAL	PO 15639 2022 FORD F -150 POLICE RESPONDER	14,172.93	14,172.93
8396	1126 - JOSEPH BYRNE	PO 15651 2023 NJLM CONVENTION EXPENSES	250.00	250.00
8397	1085 - LEAF	PO 15634 SHARP MX-M3571 COPIER SYSTEM NOVEMBER	122.00	122.00
8398	1099 - MARCO TECHNOLOGIES	PO 15635 SHARP COPIER CONTRACT BASE RATE 10/9/23	96.45	96.45
8399	633 - MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES, INC	PO 15554 POLICE PATCH BADGES AND PATCHES	1,790.00	1,790.00
8400	889 - NEW JERSEY FIRE EQUIPMENT COMPANY	PO 15592 GLOBE SUPRALITE 14" BOOTS	250.00	250.00
8401	983 - PRINCETON HOSTED SOLUTIONS	PO 15648 NOVEMBER PHONE SERVICE	841.06	841.06
8402	72 - PSERG	PO 15643 ELECTRIC 9/7 - 10/5	2,393.00	2,393.00
8403	992 - RENAUD & COLICCHIO LLC	PO 15645 RETAINERS FOR DECEMBER 2022 & JUNE 2023	2,000.00	2,000.00
8404	300 - ROBERT REILLY	PO 15650 2023 NJLM CONVENTION EXPENSES	250.00	250.00
8405	452 - VERIZON WIRELESS	PO 15636 CELL PHONE AND AIR CARDS 10/16 - 11/15	325.24	325.24
TOTAL				32,505.53
3388	LINDA WINSOR	PO# 15638 DELIVERY OF FOOD DRIVE FLYER	100.00	10/30/2023

Totals by fund	Previous Checks/Voids	Current Payments	Total
Fund 10 Current Fund	100.00	32,505.53	32,605.53
BILLS LIST TOTALS	100.00	32,505.53	<u>32,605.53</u>

WIRE TRANSFERS

WIRE TRANSFER - SCHOOL TAXES FOR NOVEMBER	\$284,147.67
WIRE TRANSFER - PBA DUES FOR NOVEMBER	\$500.00
WIRE TRANSFER – OPEN SPACE TAXES 4 TH QTR	\$617.94
WIRE TRANSFER – COUNTY PURPOSE TAXES 4 TH QTR	\$14,431.45
WIRE TRANSFER – GIORDANO RECYCLING OCTOBER	\$4,583.33

WIRE TRANSFERS = \$ 304,280.39
TOTAL PAID FORM CURRENT FUND = \$ 32,605.53
GRAND TOTAL = \$ 336,885.92

UNLISTED BILLS: As Presented (\$2,522.03) Motion was made by Commissioner Byrne and Seconded by Commissioner Reilly, with all members present voting in the affirmative.

UNLISTED BILL FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE, NOVEMBER 6, 2023

CHECK #	DEPARTMENT	JUSTIFICATION	AMOUNT
8406	WMC	PROSECUTOR	\$900.00
8407	CDBG	SENIORS	\$296.18
8408	WMC	VERIZON	\$139.65
8409	WPD&WFD	OCTOBER FUEL	\$1,186.20

TOTAL \$2,522.03

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None Presented

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None Presented

NEW BUSINESS: As Presented

Resolution # 23-58 AUTHORIZING BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFER # 1: Motion was made by Commissioner Byrne and Seconded by Commissioner Reilly, with all members present voting in the affirmative.



**TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD RESOLUTION #23-58
COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZING BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFER # 1**

WHEREAS, it shall become necessary to extend from some of the purposes specified in the budget in excess of the respective sums appropriated; and

WHEREAS, there is an excess in one or more appropriations over and above the amount deemed necessary to fulfill the purpose of the 2023 appropriations; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-58 provides that the transfer of such amounts of which are deemed in excess to the 2023 appropriations the amounts of which are deemed to be insufficient to fulfill the purposes of such 2023 appropriations; and

WHEREAS, the transfer to be authorized does not affect any 2023 appropriations to which or from transfers are prohibited under the statutes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following transfers between appropriations, be authorized pursuant to NJSA 40A4-58:

TRANSFER FROM:

BOARD HEALTH – OTHER EXPENSES	\$1,700
ADMINISTRATIVE & EXECUTIVE – OTHER EXPENSES	\$2,000
POLICE DEPARTMENT – SALARIES	\$20,000
ENGINEERING – OTHER EXPENSES	\$3,000

TRANSFER TO:

ADIMINSTRATIVE & EXECUTIVE – SALARIES	\$2,000
FINANCE DEPARTMENT - SALARIES	\$500
BOARD OF HEALTH – SALARIES	\$1,200
GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE – OTHER EXPENSES	\$23,000

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be filed with the Township Treasurer.

Dated: November 6, 2023					
	MOVED	SECONDED	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN
MAYOR ADAM D. KOOMER					
COMM. JOSEPH P. BYRNE					
COMM. ROBERT F. REILLY					

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield at a meeting held on November 6, 2023.

Melanie Stowik, Acting Twp. Clerk

Resolution # 23-59 PUBLIC ALLIANCE INSURANCE COVERAGE FUND IDEMNTY AND TRUST RENEAL OF MEMBERSHIP: Motion was made by Commissioner Byrne and Seconded by Commissioner Reilly, with all members present voting in the affirmative.



**TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD RESOLUTION #23-59
COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
PUBLIC ALLIANCE INSURANCE COVERAGE FUND
IDEMNTY AND TRUST RENEAL OF MEMBERSHIP**

WHEREAS, Winfield Township, hereafter referred to as “Public Entity” is a member of the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund, hereinafter referred to as “Fund”; and

WHEREAS, said renewal membership terminates as of January 1, 2024 at 12:01 a.m. standard time, unless earlier renewed by agreement between the Public Entity and the Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Local Unit is afforded the following types of coverages:

- Worker’s Compensation
- Package (property, boiler & machinery, crime, auto & general liability including Police Professional)

- Public Officials Liability
- Excess Liability
- Auto & General Liability (including Police Professionals)
- Public Officials Liability
- Environmental Impairment Liability

WHEREAS, the Public Entity desires to renew said membership.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. The Public Entity agrees to renew its membership in the Fund for a period of three years beginning January 1, 2024 and ending January 1, 2027 at 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, and to be subject to the coverages, operating procedures, bylaws, and other organizational and operational documents of the Fund presently existing or as from time to time amended by the Fund and/or the Department of Banking and Insurance.
2. The Public Entity agrees that as a member of the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund, the Public Entity must purchase all types of coverages offered by the Fund which are applicable to the Public Entity.
3. The Public Entity hereby appoints Melanie Slowik as the Public Entity's Fund Commissioner and is authorized to execute the renewal Indemnity and Trust Agreement thereby evidencing annexed hereto and made a part hereof an to deliver same to the Fund the Public Entity's renewal of its membership.

Dated: November 6, 2023						
	MOVED	SECONDED	AYES	NAVES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
MAYOR ADAM D. KOOMER						
COMM. JOSEPH P. BYRNE						
COMM. ROBERT F. REILLY						

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield at a meeting held on November 6, 2023.

Melanie Slowik, Acting Twp. Clerk

Resolution # 23-60 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD AND THE ASSOCIATED HUMANE SOCIETIES, INC.: Motion was made by Commissioner Byrne and Seconded by Commissioner Reilly, with all members present voting in the affirmative.



**TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD RESOLUTION #23-60
COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD AND THE
ASSOCIATED HUMANE SOCIETIES, INC.**

THIS AGREEMENT, made this 6th day of November, 2023 between the **ASSOCIATED HUMANE SOCIETIES, INC.**, a 501C (3), non-profit organization under State and Federal law, having principal offices at 124 Evergreen Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07114, hereinafter referred to as the "Society" and the **TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD**, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey having principal offices at 12 Gulfstream Ave., Winfield, NJ 07036 hereinafter referred to as the "Municipality".

WHEREAS the Municipality wishes to retain the Society for Animal Control for a period of one year beginning on the 1st day of January and ending on the 31st day of December 2024.

1. The Society shall make their services as an independent contractor as an animal control provider, as hereinafter described, available to the Municipality, on a daily basis, during standard business hours of 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., as needed, five (5) days a week. Weekends, holidays and night services will also be provided, when necessary, in the terms stated below.
 - a. Services are defined as the rescue, recovery and care of injured animals, trapped animals, sick animals, animals whose lives are endangered or animals that present a danger to humans, including those who have bitten human or other animals.
 - b. For the purpose of this agreement, Marine Mammals, feral cat colonies (feral cats that are not part of any TNR program) and dead deer are specifically excluded, neither shall the Society trap or rescue Canada Geese, unless same are in need of veterinary care. There will be no charge for bats or injured wildlife. Dead animals, excluding deer, will be picked up for public and private citizens with no charge.
 - c. The society will not pick up rats, mice, moles or voles or any other small rodents. Please contact Pest Control for removal of these animals. Trapped healthy animals that do not pose a threat or safety risk to the public shall be released at or near the area of capture in accordance with standard rules and regulations of the industry.
 - d. Upon the Municipality's request or in the case for the need of humane services as defined herein, feral cat colonies will remain the responsibility of the person "caretaker" maintaining feral cats. If there is a sick, rabid or injured cat, the Society will provide services and assistance and shall be entitled to be reimbursed for all costs and expense by said feral cat colony "caretaker". All other matters regarding feral cat colonies shall be between the caretaker and the Municipality.
 - e. The Society may provide TNVR services for feral cats if the alternative is euthanasia and if either the finder agrees to provide food, water and shelter or the cat is being released in the same general area because it is known to have habituated to that area without a caretaker. Cats that are ear-tipped or tattooed will be released on location. If the Society determines that the cat is a domestic cat, it will not be returned.
2. The Municipality will pay the yearly sum of **\$4,000.00** said sum to be prorated on a monthly basis of **\$333.33**. Payment for all services, including additional costs and expenses as stated herein, and unless express terms to the contrary are agreed upon, are due thirty (30) days after the presentment of invoice/and or Municipal voucher executed by the appropriate party. **There will be a two (2%) per cent late fee imposed if payment is over thirty (30) days late. If non-payment goes beyond 60 days, services will be suspended until the invoice is paid in full.**

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

Associated Humane Societies
 124 Evergreen Avenue
 Newark, New Jersey 07114

Dated: November 6, 2023

						I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield at a meeting held on November 6, 2023.
MAYOR ADAM D. KOOMER						
COMM. JOSEPH P. BYRNE						
COMM. ROBERT F. REILLY						

Melanie Slowik, Acting Twp. Clerk

Resolution # 23-61 AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF RAHWAY FOR THE PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES: Motion was made by Commissioner Byrne and Seconded by Commissioner Reilly, with all members present voting in the affirmative.



**TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD RESOLUTION #23-61
 COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
 AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF
 RAHWAY FOR THE PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Township of Winfield is in need of a Health Officer to provide health services of technical and professional nature; and

WHEREAS, the full-time Health Officer for the City of Rahway has previously provided Health Services to the Township of Winfield pursuant to prior agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Winfield and the City of Rahway have agreed to enter into a Shared Services Agreement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:3A2-1 et seq. for the provisions of Public Health Services.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Commissioners of Winfield, County of Union and State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Winfield and the City of Rahway, substantially in the form attached hereto, for Health Officer services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to the Local Health Services Act, N.J.S.A. 26:3A2-1 et seq., such Agreement shall be filed with and open to the public for inspection at the offices of the Municipal Clerk, and such Agreement shall take effect upon the adoption of appropriate resolutions by all parties hereto.

Dated: November 6, 2023

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MAYOR ADAM D. KOOMER						
COMM. JOSEPH P. BYRNE						
COMM. ROBERT F. REILLY						

Melanie Slowik, Acting Twp. Clerk



For Giordano Missed Collections, please call (800) 216-2250 Ext. 2 (Office Hours - Mon thru Fri: 8:30am - 3:00pm)
When calling, please provide Your Name, Spell Street Address, Phone Number, & Date of Giordano Missed your Collection
All voicemails left after business hours will be responded on the next business day

For Giordano Latest Updates / Weather / Alerts, please call (800) 216-2250 Ext. 1 or visit our site www.gogreengiordano.com

WINFIELD

2024 Recycling Schedule

FRIDAYS (Bi-Weekly)			HOLIDAY RESCHEDULE INFO
January: 12, 26	May: 03, 17, 31	September: 06, 20	N/A
February: 09, 23	June: 14, 28	October: 04, 18	
March: 08, 22	July: 12, 26	November: 01, 15, 29	
April: 05, 19	August: 09, 23	December: 13, 27	

Quick Information:

- We ONLY collect recyclables: Plastics #1, #2, #5, Glass, Aluminum, Cardboard Boxes (flattened and tied with nothing in between), Newspapers, Magazines, Soft Covered Books, Junk mail.
- Packaging paper is acceptable but needs to be cut (letter or legal size) and placed in the bin (covered if rain/snow/wind).
- Packaging peanuts, all Styrofoam of any kind/color, Shredded paper, and all Plastic bags of any kind/color are NOT Acceptable.
- Giordano Company Inc. does not provide bins; therefore, we recommend Blue bins of 32 gallons min – 64 gallons max.
- We recommend placing the bins out the night before or before 6am on the day of collections at curb side.
- Giordano Company Inc. and the town of Winfield is not responsible for any bins smaller than 32 gallons if damaged.
- Giordano Company Inc. requires Proof of Damage made by our staff via Video to be reimbursed if your 32 gallons - 64 gallons bin were to get damaged.
- Video can be sent to service@gogreengiordano.com and we will respond upon completion of investigation



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Contact: Kelly Martins, 908-527-4419
Director, Office of Communication & Public Information

UNION COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS IN NOVEMBER

UNION COUNTY, NJ— November 2, 2023 — The Union County Board of County Commissioners are happy to announce that in advance of the upcoming Veterans Day holiday, there are plans to light county buildings with green bulbs from November 6-12, 2023 as part of Operation Green Light for Veterans, a nationwide effort uniting counties to support military veterans.

“By illuminating our county buildings with green bulbs, we stand in solidarity with our veterans, expressing our profound gratitude for their service,” said Commissioner Chairman Sergio Granados. “Operation Green Light is not just a symbol, but a commitment to supporting those who have dedicated their lives to safeguarding our nation. By shining this green light, we honor their sacrifice and remind them that they are seen, valued, and never forgotten.”

The initiative, led by Union County Office of Veteran’s Services, raises awareness about the unique challenges faced by many veterans and the resources available at the county, state and federal levels to assist veterans and their families. Across the nation, in 2022, more than 300 counties participated in Operation Green Light.

In addition to lighting county buildings, residents, businesses, and other organizations are encouraged to participate by simply changing one light bulb in their home to a green bulb. This can be an exterior light that neighbors and passersby see, or an interior light that sparks a conversation with family or friends.

“Each year, we remind everyone about how much we should appreciate our Veterans. The freedoms that we enjoy today are a result of the men and women who served our country, said Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, Liaison to the Veterans Affairs Committee. “Residents across the county are encouraged to share their participation on our social media pages using the hashtag #UCNJOperationGreenLight.”

For more information or learn about other programs through the Office of Veteran’s Services, please contact W.Geoff.Smith@ucnj.org or call him at 908-527-4918.

CITIZEN’S FORUM: No public comment

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

TIME: 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Melanie Slowik
Acting Township Clerk