

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING
MEETING – DECEMBER 30, 2024**

Mayor Mueller *calls the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.* announcing that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

PRESENT: Mayor A. Mueller, Deputy Mayor Panico, Mr. J. Albanese, and Mr. J. Heller

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator R. Sheola, Municipal Clerk K. Parker, Attorney C. Corsini

ABSENT: Mayor J. Huelsebusch

Mayor Mueller led those present in the *Salute to the Flag*.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Mueller read the following statement:

All items listed with an asterisk “*” are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a committee member or citizen requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- * 1. **Payment of Bills** (Complete bill list is on file in Clerk’s Office)

<u>Fund Description</u>	<u>Fund No.</u>	<u>Received Total</u>
GENERAL FUND	4-01	\$ 683,589.09
SEWER UTILITY OP. FUND	4-02	\$ 3,628.35
GENERAL	G-01	\$ 122.50
OTHER TRUST	X-03	\$1,026,990.31
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	X-06	\$ 230,696.87
2014 CAP IMPROVEMENTS	X-14	\$ 85,004.00
2023 CAP IMPROVEMENTS	X-23	\$ 122,783.00
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS		\$ 2,152,814.12

- * 2. **Tax Lien Redemption**

The following resolution was offered for introduction:

READINGTON TOWNSHIP

HUNTERDON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, an interested party has paid to the Tax Collector the amount necessary to redeem the lien on Block 93, Lot 38 and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Tax Collector to refund to the lienholder the redemption amount.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the redemption amount of \$29,353.82, plus a premium paid in the amount of \$39,000.00, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2022-014, to the lienholder, Phoenix Funding, Inc.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Panico to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Albanese and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

- Mr. Albanese - Aye
- Mr. Heller - Aye
- Mr. Panico - Aye
- Mayor Mueller - Aye

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2024 Budget Appropriation Transfers

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, certain transfers of funds for various 2024 budget appropriations are necessary to cover anticipated expenditures; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58* provides for transfer of appropriations with an excess over and above the amount deemed necessary to fulfil their purposes to those appropriations deemed to be insufficient; and

WHEREAS, the appropriations subject to fund transfers hereby are not within those restricted by *N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58* for transfer purposes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington that the Chief Financial Officer shall and is hereby authorized to make transfers between appropriation accounts of the 2024 Municipal Budget as follows:

Current Fund	To	From
Fire Dept Training O/E		\$1,500
Construction Code S&W		\$26,500
Unemployment		\$3,500
Police S&W	\$30,000	
Whitehouse Rescue – Equipment	\$1,500	
TOTAL	\$31,500	\$31,500

A MOTION was made by Mr. Panico to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mr. Heller and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

- Mr. Albanese - Aye
- Mr. Heller - Aye
- Mr. Panico - Aye
- Mayor Mueller - Aye

2. Resolution Authorizing Request for Deed Restrictions for Community Options

Mayor Mueller announced this matter will be tabled for further discussion at the January 21st meeting during Executive Session.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Panico to table this matter, seconded by Mr. Heller and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Albanese	- Aye
Mr. Heller	- Aye
Mr. Panico	- Aye
Mayor Mueller	- Aye

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were none.

COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

As there was no further business, **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Panico at 10:05 a.m. to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Albanese with vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Submitted:

Karin M Parker, *RMC*
Municipal Clerk