

RANDOLPH TOWNSHIP

2023 Municipal Budget

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THE TEAM

TO PROVIDE EFFECTIVE
GOVERNANCE, ENHANCED
CUSTOMER SERVICE &
EXCELLENT COMMUNITY
FACILITIES



► Guiding principles

- Will this action compound a tax rate increase in 2024?
- How does the value of this reduction compare with the expectations placed on the Township by the public?
- If this expenditure is deferred for a year, can the organization catch up in the future?
- Will this decision make Randolph a stronger community five years from now?

INTRODUCTION

- ▶ The proposed 2023 budget calls for appropriations of \$34,784,780. This represents a 0.34% increase or \$116,882 from the adopted 2022 budget.
- ▶ Significant dollar increases are seen in:
 - ▶ Recycling & solid waste collection
 - ▶ Capital improvements
 - ▶ Statutory expenditures (pensions & social security)
 - ▶ Insurance (liability, workers' compensation & health)

INTRODUCTION



BUDGET PROCESS

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- Township Manager & CFO hold annual, public budget hearings

November

December

- Township Manager & CFO review the impact of the draft budget

- Draft municipal budget transmitted to the Township Council

January



BUDGET PROCESS

- Public budget work sessions held and finalize budget

February

March

- March 16, 2023: Budget is considered for introduction and approval

- April 20, 2023: Township Council holds public hearing for adoption of budget

April





School - \$0.71

Municipal - \$0.15

County - \$0.10

Reserve for uncollected taxes - \$0.02

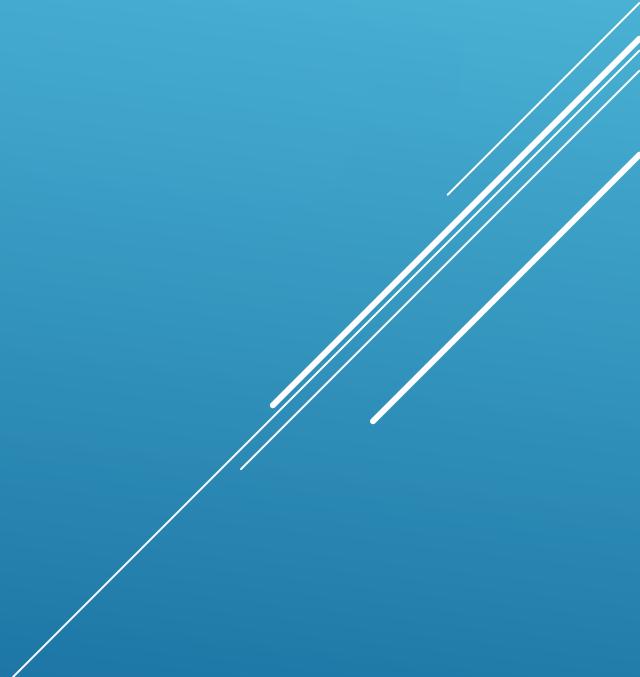
Open Space/
Recreation - \$0.01

Library - \$0.01

PROPERTY TAX LEVY BY ENTITY

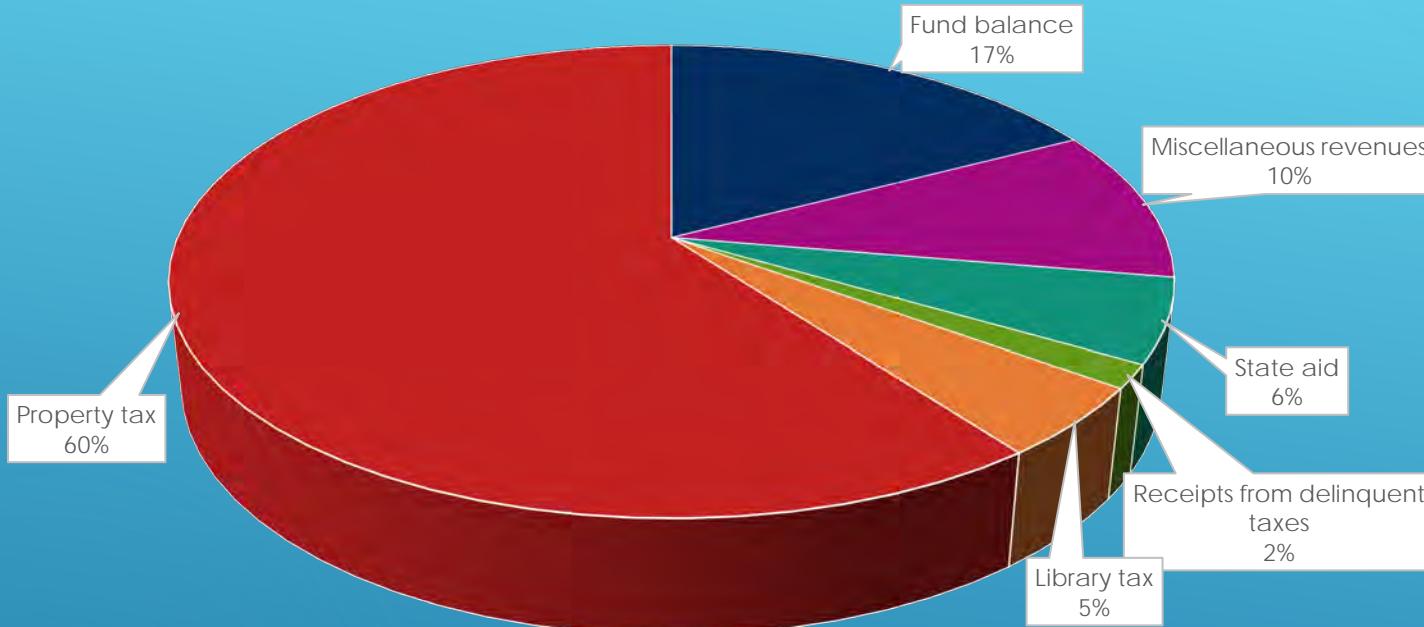
- ▶ The Township is required to comply with two budgetary limits
 - ▶ The first is the limitation on the increase in appropriations or “the appropriations cap.” The second limitation is the property tax levy cap. The draft budget as prepared satisfies both limitations as established by the State.

COMPLIANCE WITH STATE BUDGET REGULATIONS



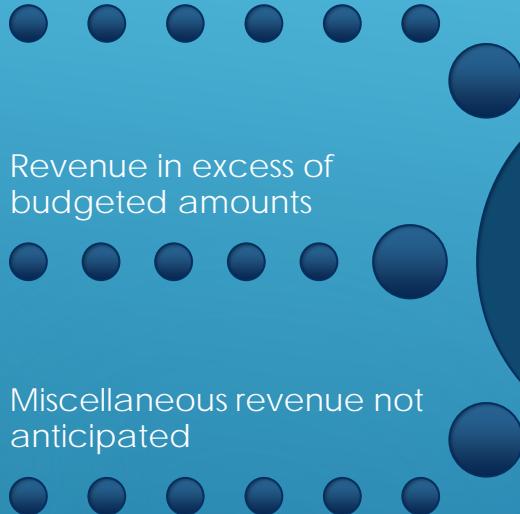


NET VALUATION TAXABLE



SOURCES OF REVENUE

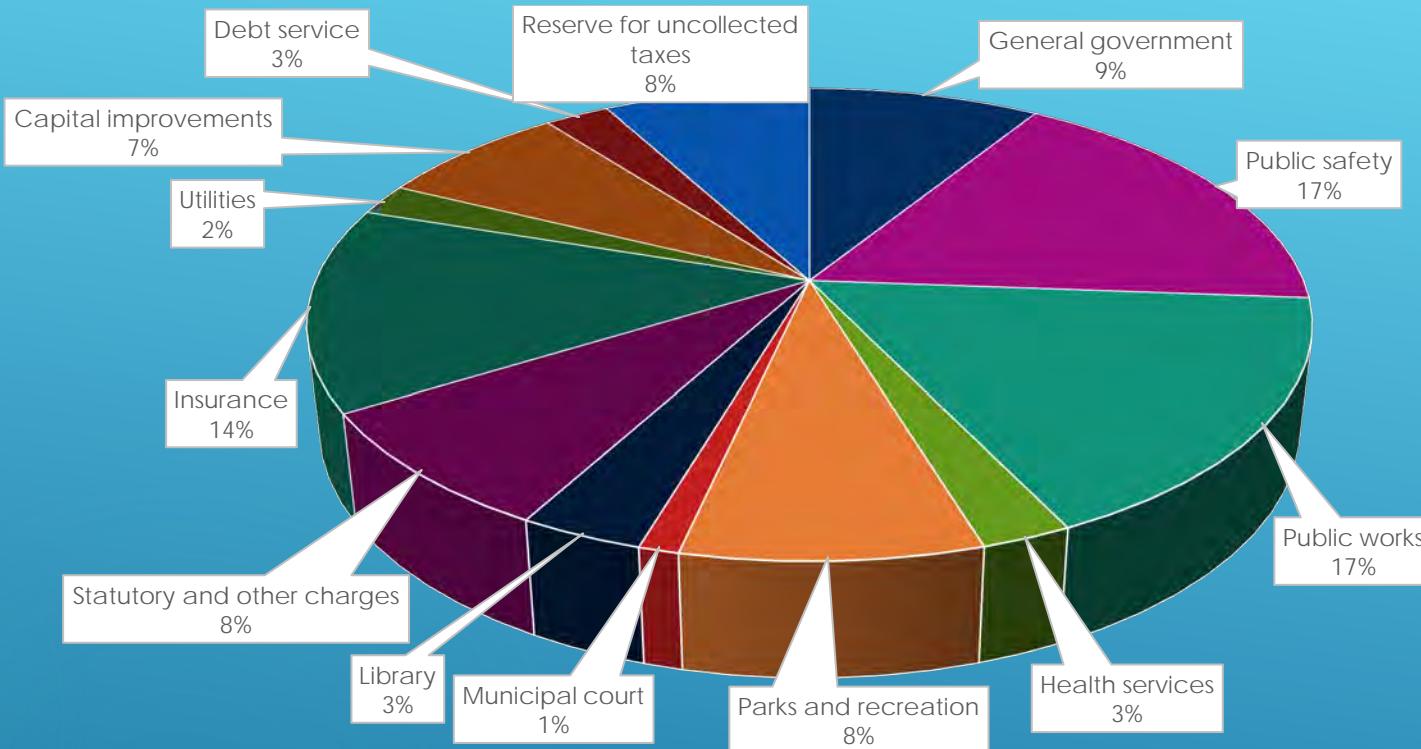
Lapsing of appropriation reserves



Fund
Balance
12/31/22:
\$8.46M

Fund
Balance
Anticipated
in Budget
\$5.95M

SOURCES OF REVENUE



APPROPRIATIONS

- ▶ Significant changes in appropriations
 - ▶ Recycling & solid waste – The township will realize a “negative” rebate for the disposal of paper and plastic this year.
 - ▶ Capital improvements – Given increased costs, the capital improvement fund is being increased.
 - ▶ Statutory expenditures – Pension obligations have increased this year at a blended rate of 10.5%.
 - ▶ Insurance – The township has benefitted from its participation in the MCJIF as well as the NJMEBF, which realized an increase 16% lower than what was announced for the SHBP.

APPROPRIATIONS

- ▶ Covers increased costs for solid waste, recycling & leaf disposal
- ▶ Funds additional youth programs, day camp & teen camp
- ▶ Appropriates funds for B&G, rescue squad, fleet, parks & fire department capital outlay projects
- ▶ Appropriates monies for the deployment of Microsoft 365
- ▶ Funds are provided for a full-time public information officer
- ▶ Reinstates the assistant township manager position

KEY INITIATIVES

- ▶ One tax point equals \$438,685
 - ▶ In order to reduce taxes by one tax point you would need to increase revenues by \$438,685 or reduce appropriations by \$438,685

PROPOSED 2023 MUNICIPAL TAXES

This represents an annual increase of \$89.99 (or \$7.50 per month) for the average assessed home of \$490,367

<u>Property Tax Rate</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>Increase/ (Decrease)</u>
Municipal purpose	\$ 0.471	\$ 0.452	\$ 0.019
Open Space/Recreation	\$ 0.021	\$ 0.021	\$ -
Library	<u>\$ 0.038</u>	<u>\$ 0.035</u>	<u>\$ 0.003</u>
Total	\$ 0.530	\$ 0.508	\$ 0.022

PROPOSED 2023 MUNICIPAL TAXES

- ▶ Randolph's water system is a distribution network consisting of water mains, hydrants, and a water tower.
- ▶ Bulk water is purchased from the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority produced from the Allamatong well fields, which is distributed to the township's 5,924 customers.
- ▶ The 2023 budget allocates \$3,744,414 for the operation of the public water system.

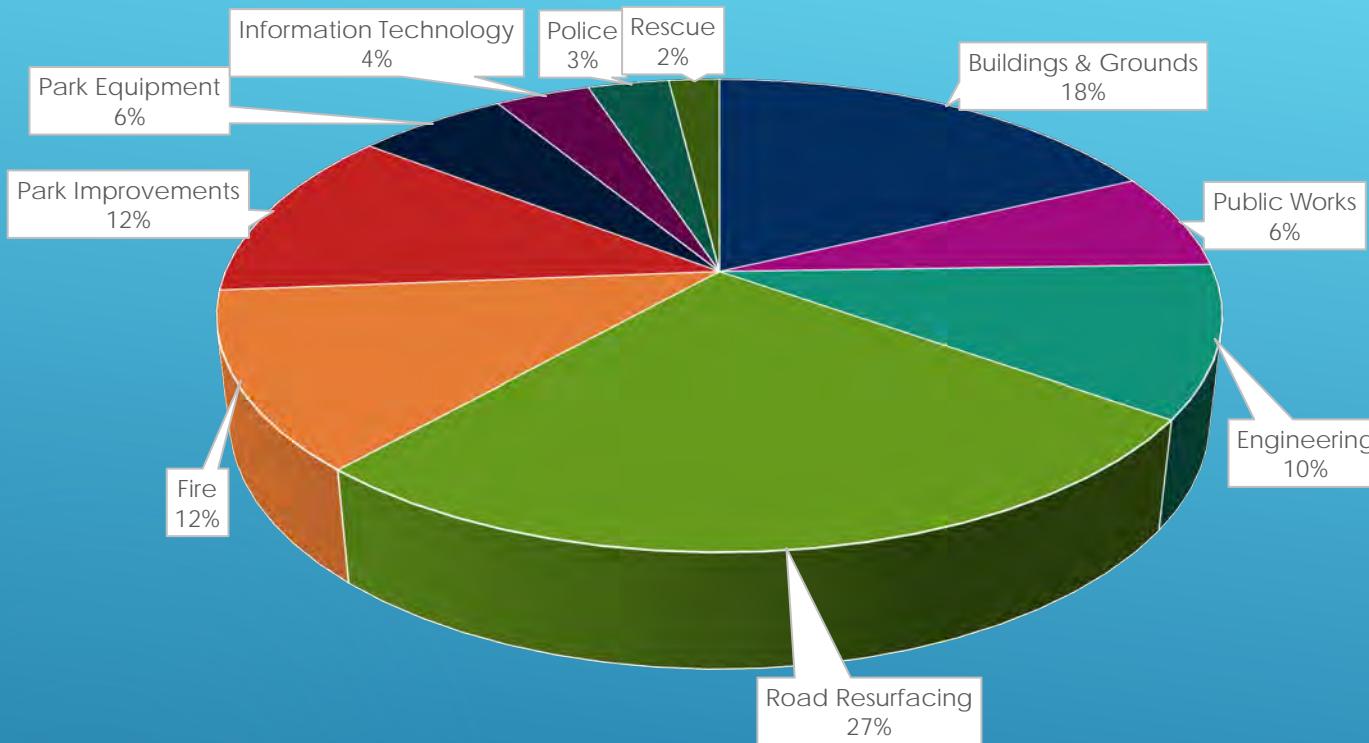
WATER FUND

- ▶ Randolph's sewer system serves 4,086 customers and is comprised of collector lines, pump stations, and force mains.
- ▶ Randolph sends sanitary wastewater to the Rockaway Regional Sewer Authority treatment plant and the Morris Township Butterworth treatment plant for processing.
- ▶ The 2023 budget allocates \$4,504,111 for the operation of the public sewer system.

SEWER FUND

- ▶ An important part of financial management, which encompasses:
 - ▶ (1) the preparation, adoption, and implementation of a budget for major capital projects or acquisitions; and
 - ▶ (2) the funding of those capital projects and acquisitions through a combination of current funds and debt financing
- ▶ Capital expenditures include Road Resurfacing, Buildings & Grounds and Public Safety Projects, and Park Improvements
- ▶ The 2023 capital program totals \$4,114,000 with new debt authorized not to exceed \$389,000

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



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Capital Project	Recommended Funding
Road Repaving Program	\$ 1,100,000
Replace Hook Lift Truck #917	\$ 240,000
Town Hall Atrium	\$ 175,000
Computers & Networking	\$ 150,000
Town Hall Parking Lot	\$ 125,000
Parks - Update Bathrooms	\$ 112,000
Storm System Maintenance	\$ 100,000
Tree Removal	\$ 100,000
Parks - Lighting Replacement	\$ 100,000
Parks - New Caterpillar Loader	\$ 95,000

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THANK YOU