

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Verona Township Council on Monday, May 20, 2024, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 600 Bloomfield Avenue, Verona, New Jersey, and via Zoom video conferencing

Call to Order:

The Municipal Clerk reads the notice of Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:

Mayor Christopher Tamburro, Deputy Mayor Jack McEvoy, Councilwoman Christine McGrath, Councilwoman Cynthia Holland are present. Township Attorney Brian Aloia, Municipal Clerk Jennifer Kiernan and Township Manager Joseph D'Arco are present along with Deputy Township Manager Kevin O'Sullivan.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Tamburro attended the Eagle Scout ceremony for Christopher Caldera and Luca Tedesco. He accepted the invitation to Trep\$ Marketplace at Our Lady of the Lake. He was joined by West Orange Mayor Susan McCarthy. The Mayor and Deputy Mayor McEvoy attended the UNICO Sunday Gravy Dinner.

Julius N. Coltre Essex County Liaison

Essex County Liaison J. Coltre discusses the Essex County agenda and the upcoming events such as the fishing derby in Grover Cleveland Park, the fishing derby in Verona Park. The County's annual shredding event is June 1st from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Essex County Public Works building. Mr. Coltre also acknowledged the summer concerts starting soon.

Mayor Tamburro reads proclamations for Eagle Scouts Christopher Caldera and Luca Tedesco.

Mayor Tamburro also reads a proclamation for National EMS Week.

Councilman Roman arrives at 7:25 and takes his seat on the dais.

The Municipal Clerk, Jennifer Kiernan, gives a presentation on the 2023 Municipal Election expenses and the actions necessary should the Council decide to move the Municipal Elections to November.

Township Manager Joseph D'Arco discusses the Emergency Services Complex and states the Township will be utilizing a fundraising company for the project. He is performing an annual review of our inter-local health services agreement and reports that a shared service for fire prevention with Cedar Grove is still under discussion.

Deputy Manager Kevin O'Sullivan reports that the 2025 pool rate study will be presented to the Council this fall. The Wastewater Treatment Plant Assessment has been posted on the Township's website. New residential escrow fees will be in place July 1st while new stormwater fees and escrow fees have already been implemented. Parking meter kiosks have been ordered and will be installed this summer in the municipal lots.

Council Members Report:

Deputy Mayor McEvoy attended a meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission. He thanked UNICO for the Sunday Gravy Dinner.

Councilwoman McGrath remembers Verona community member Christina Ford and all her accomplishments for the town. They will mark her passing at the annual Pride Festival on Saturday June 8th. Councilwoman McGrath attended the Neighborhood Traffic and Safety committee meeting and the Shade Tree Commission meeting and the Multicultural and Inclusion and Accessibility Committee will be met on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.

Councilwoman Holland thanks Councilwoman McGrath on remarks for Christina Ford. She sends her condolences to her family and friends. The Councilwoman reports that the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee has a meeting Tuesday night. She also acknowledges all the crossing guards and everything they do for the community. She recently attended the See Her Be Her career fair for the Girl Scouts of New Jersey.

Public Comment:

Anna Fusaro, Verona, New Jersey
Fred Goode, Verona, New Jersey

Hearing Adoption or Amendment of Ordinances:

ORDINANCE No. 2024-19

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS OF THE WATER AND SEWER UTILITY SYSTEM IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$260,000 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$247,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance No. 2024-19 into the record.

Motion to move the ordinance is made by Councilman Roman; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath.

Public Hearing:

None

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

Ordinance No. 2024-19 is adopted 5-0 and will be published according to law.

ORDINANCE No. 2024-20

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE BIG POOL FOR THE POOL UTILITY IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$350,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$333,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance No. 2024-20 into the record.

Motion to move the ordinance is made by Councilwoman Holland; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath.

Public Hearing:

None.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYES:

Ordinance No. 2024-20 is adopted 5-0 and will be published according to law.

ORDINANCE No. 2024-21

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE WATER AND SEWER UTILITY SYSTEM IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$8,406,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$8,406,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance No. 2024-21 into the record.

Motion to move the ordinance is made by Mayor Tamburro; seconded by Deputy Mayor McEvoy.

Public Hearing:

None.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYES:

Ordinance 2024-21 is adopted 5-0 and will be published according to law.

ORDINANCE No. 2024-22

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$3,110,000 THEREFOR, INCLUDING A \$75,000 LOCAL RECREATION GRANT EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,978,725 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance No. 2024-22 into the record.

A motion to move the ordinance is made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Deputy Mayor McEvoy.

Public Hearing:

None.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYES:

Ordinance No. 2024-22 is adopted 5-0 and will be published according to law.

ORDINANCE No. 2024-23

CAPITAL ORDINANCE BY APPROPRIATING \$10,000 FROM THE POOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR POOL FURNITURE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance No. 2024-23 into the record.

A motion to move the ordinance is made by Councilman Roman; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath

Public Hearing:

Paul Petranglli, Verona, New Jersey

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYES:

Ordinance No. 2024-23 is adopted 5-0 and will be published according to law.

ORDINANCE 2024-24

CAPITAL ORDINANCE BY APPROPRIATING \$235,00 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX NEW JERSEY

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance No. 2024-24 into the record.

A motion to move the ordinance is made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman Holland.

Public Hearing:

None.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYES:

Ordinance No. 2024-24 is adopted 5-0 and will be published according to law.

ORDINANCE 2024-25

Fairview PFOA Upgrade	4	5,000,000						5,000,000	
Linn Dr. PFOA Upgrade	5	5,000,000						5,000,000	
Water Main Upgrades and Maintenance	6	1,500,000							1,500,000
Water Main Upgrades and Maintenance	7	1,500,000							1,500,000
TOTALS - ALL PROJECTS		15,390,000			69,500			12,320,500	3,000,000

**6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM 2024-2029
ANTICIPATED PROJECT SCHEDULE AND FUNDING REQUIREMENT**

1 Project	2 Project number	3 Estimated Total Cost	4 Estimated Completion of Time	5 Funding Amounts Per Year					
				Budget Year 2024	Budget Year 2025	Budget Year 2026	Budget Year 2027	Budget Year 2028	Budget Year 2029
Water Main Replacement	1	1,240,000.00	2025	210,000.00	210,000.00	210,000.00	210,000.00	210,000.00	190,000.00
Water Main Upgrades and Maintenance	2	150,000.00	2025	X	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
Claridge Pump Station	3	1,000,000.00	2025	170,000.00	170,000.00	170,000.00	170,000.00	170,000.00	150,000.00
Fairview PFOA Upgrade	4	5,000,000.00	2025	825,000.00	825,000.00	825,000.00	825,000.00	825,000.00	875,000.00
Linn Dr. PFOA Upgrade	5	5,000,000.00	2024	825,000.00	825,000.00	825,000.00	825,000.00	825,000.00	875,000.00
Water Main Upgrades and Maintenance	6	1,500,000.00	2025	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00
Water Main Upgrades and Maintenance	7	1,500,000.00	2025	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00	250,000.00
TOTALS - ALL PROJECTS		15,390,000.00	X	2,530,000.00	2,560,000.00	2,560,000.00	2,560,000.00	2,560,000.00	2,620,000.00

**6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM 2024-2029
SUMMARY OF ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES AND AMOUNTS**

Project	Project number	Current year 2024	Future Years	Capital Improvement Fund	Capital Surplus	Grants in Aid and Other Funds	BONDS AND NOTES			
							General	Liquidating	Assessment	School
Water Main Replacement	1	1,240,000		62,000			1,178,000			
Water Main Upgrades and Maintenance	2	150,000		7,500			142,500			
Claridge Pump Station	3	1,000,000					1,000,000			
Fairview PFOA Upgrade	4	5,000,000					5,000,000			
Linn Dr. PFOA Upgrade	5	5,000,000					5,000,000			
Water Main Upgrades and Maintenance	6	1,500,000								
Water Main Upgrades and Maintenance	7	1,500,000								
TOTALS - ALL PROJECTS		15,390,000		69,500			12,320,500			

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that one certified copy of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-089

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Mayor Tamburro that the following resolution be adopted:

AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO EFFECTUATE THE TERMS OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH SPECTRUM 360

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, an amendment to the settlement agreement with Spectrum 360; and

WHEREAS, the Settlement Agreement requires the Parties to take multiple actions and to continue to work together to effective the intent of the Settlement Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Township Manager, or his designee, should take all necessary steps and execute all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of the Settlement Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey hereby authorizes the Township Manager or his designee take all necessary steps to effectuate the terms set forth in the attached Settlement Agreement.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-090

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Mayor Tamburro that the following resolution be adopted:

ACCEPTING THE AWARD OF THE 2024 CLICK IT OR TICKET ENFORCEMENT CAMPAIGN GRANT

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has been awarded a grant in the sum of \$7,000 from the NJ Division of Highway Traffic Safety for the 2024 Click It or Ticket Enforcement Campaign (CFMP) ; and

WHEREAS, the Township's contribution toward the grant will be zero dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey that the Township of Verona is hereby authorized to accept for this grant in the amount of \$7,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Manager, Municipal Clerk and any other officer deemed appropriate are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to accept this grant.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-091

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Mayor Tamburro that the following resolution be adopted:

AUTHORIZING THE INSERTION INTO THE FY2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE FORM OF CLICK IT OR TICKET GRANT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that The Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and,

WHEREAS, The Township of Verona has received a State of New Jersey Click-it or Ticket Grant in the amount of \$7,000 wishes to amend its 2024 Municipal Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The Township Council of the Township of Verona, The County of Essex, New Jersey hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2024 in the sum of \$7,000

Which is now available as revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues - Section F:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations: Click-it or Ticket Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$7,000 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:

(A)Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"

Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
Click-it or Ticket Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be electronically filed with The Director of Local Government Services for approval.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-092

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Mayor Tamburro that the following resolution be adopted:

ACCEPTING THE AWARD OF THE 2024 NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has been awarded a grant in the sum of \$14,244.14 from the State of New Jersey for the 2024 National Opioid Settlement to help Verona with the abatement of the opioid epidemic across the country; and

WHEREAS, the Township's contribution toward the grant will be zero dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey that the Township of Verona is hereby authorized to accept for this grant in the amount of \$14,244.14.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Manager, Municipal Clerk and any other officer deemed appropriate are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to accept this grant.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-093

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Mayor Tamburro that the following resolution be adopted:

AUTHORIZING THE INSERTION INTO THE CY2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE FORM OF THE NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT GRANT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (the "Director") may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has received \$14,244.14 from the State of New Jersey in the form of the National Opioid Settlement Grant and wishes to amend its CY2024 Municipal Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey hereby requests the Director to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the CY2024 Municipal Budget in the sum of \$14,244.14 which is now available as revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues - Section F:
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services -
Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
National Opioid Settlement Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the CY2024 Municipal Budget in the like sum of \$14,244.14 appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:
(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"
Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
National Opioid Settlement Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be electronically filed with the Director for approval as required by law.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-094

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Mayor Tamburro that the following resolution be adopted:

**AWARDING CONTRACT No. 2024-04
TREE TRIMMING, REMOVAL & MAINTENANCE SERVICES**

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2024 the Township of Verona advertised in the Star Ledger for bids for Contract No. 2024-04 - Tree Trimming, Removal & Maintenance Services setting the date for the return of bids as May 15, 2024; and

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2024 the Township of Verona received three (3) responsive and responsible bids were received for Contract No. 2024-04; and

WHEREAS, Dujets Tree Experts, 54 Notch Road. Woodland Park, New Jersey 07424 is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for a period of twelve (12) months. The contract may be extended for all or part of four (4) twelve month periods, by mutual consent of the contractor and the Township of Verona at the same terms and conditions as the original twelve-month term.; and

WHEREAS, the Township Manager has reviewed the proposal and recommends that Contract No. 2024-04 be awarded to Dujets Tree Experts as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, this contract was advertised and is being awarded as an open-ended contract pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10* and there shall be a maximum of 250 work orders as defined in the bid specifications per contract year (twelve-months); and

WHEREAS, the as required amount shall be chargeable at such time as a certification of available funds is made by the Chief Financial Officer upon receipt of a properly executed purchase order.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey as follows:

1. The preamble to this Resolution is hereby incorporated as if more fully set forth herein.
2. Contract No. 2024-04 shall be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Dujets Tree Experts, for a twelve-month period beginning May 21, 2024 and terminating May 20, 2025.
3. The Township Manager, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Public Works and the Qualified Purchasing Agent shall be authorized to renew Contract No. 2024-04 for a maximum of three additional twelve month terms (May 21, 2024– May 20, 2025, May 21, 2025 – May 20, 2026, May 21, 2026 – May 20, 2027, May 21, 2027 – May 20, 2028, and May 21, 2028 – May 20, 2029) without further authorization by the governing body.
4. No amount of this contract shall be chargeable until such time as to the certification of available funds is made by the Chief Financial Officer, upon receipt of a properly executed Purchase Order pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10*
5. The Township Manager and the Township Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into any agreement necessary for the aforementioned services a copy of which shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the Township Clerk.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-095

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Mayor Tamburro that the following resolution be adopted:

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH BAKER & TAYLOR, LLC

WHEREAS, the Library purchases books or media that are accessible for use; and

WHEREAS, the Library is a *temple unabridged with priceless treasure*; and

WHEREAS, the Library Director has requested Baker & Taylor, a distributor of books and media to public libraries schools; and

WHEREAS, the Township Manager has determined that the value of said services has exceeded \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, \$66,000.00 of the services provided shall be charged to the budget account 4-01-29-390-281 and \$6,000.00 of the services provided shall be charged to the budget account 4-01-29-390-282; and

WHEREAS, the award of the contract to Becker & Taylor is being made pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5* and the Business Entity Disclosure Certification and Political Contribution Disclosure Form completed by Becker & Taylor have been filed with the Township and are annexed to this Resolution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey that Baker & Taylor, LLC, 2810 Coliseum Centre Drive, Suite 300, Charlotte, NC 28217 is hereby awarded a contract for providing books and media not to exceed \$72,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is being awarded pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Manager and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into any agreement necessary for the aforementioned services a copy of which shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-096

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Mayor Tamburro that the following resolution be adopted:

APPROVING THE CERTIFICATION LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA FIRE DEPARTMENT QUALIFYING FOR CREDIT UNDER THE LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM (LOSAP) FOR 2023

WHEREAS, The Township adopted Ordinance #10-99 which created the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP); and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 40A:14-191* requires that the Fire Commissioner furnish the Township Council of the Township with an annual certification list of all volunteer members who have qualified for credit under the award program for the previous year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Verona that the list of the volunteer members of the Township of Verona Fire Department certified by the Fire Department Chief for the year 2023 is approved and a copy is attached here as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this list had been posted for at least thirty (30) days in the respective fire companies.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-097

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Mayor Tamburro that the following resolution be adopted:

PERMITTING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the Public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of an action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.

1. Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (5)*
2. Pending, Ongoing, or Anticipated Litigation and Contract Negotiations pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (7)*

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:


PUBLIC COMMENT:

Fred Goode, Verona, New Jersey
Paul Petrangelli, Verona, New Jersey
Anna Fusaro, Verona, New Jersey

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn is made by Councilman Roman at 9:08 p.m.; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath. The next meeting is June 3, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,


Jennifer Kiernan, Municipal Clerk


Christopher Tamburro, Mayor

APPROVED: June 17, 2024