

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Verona Township Council on Monday, May 4, 2026, 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 Tamburro, Deputy Mayor McEvoy, Councilman Roman, Councilwoman McGrath, Councilwoman Holland, Township Manager Kevin O'Sullivan, Deputy Township Manager Michael Kraus, Township Attorney Brian Aloia, and Municipal Clerk Jennifer Kiernan are present.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Tamburro had the opportunity to attend the Arbor Day celebration and thanks all who were involved and present. He was unable to attend the Eagle Scout ceremony but congratulates them all and recognizes the Verona Fire Department and Rescue Squad for their assistance in a Belleville fire last night. He congratulates and recognizes all of his Verona colleagues during teacher appreciation week and names the two Grand Marshals for the Memorial Day Parade this year. The mayor expresses his condolences to the family of Gary Resnik for their loss and ends with a long statement on school budget and cuts.

Mayor Tamburro reads a Proclamation recognizing Verona Municipal Clerk Jennifer Kiernan for Municipal Clerks Week.

Manager's Report:

Township Manager Kevin O'Sullivan begins by providing pool season updates. The status of multiple projects is also provided including wastewater project updates, Linden Avenue construction, various road projects, Everett Field, facilities upgrades and community service projects. He then makes a statement regarding shared services with the Board of Education and PILOT agreements.

Deputy Manager's Report:

Deputy Township Manager Michael Kraus provides Community Center updates, reports on the supervisor harassment training scheduled for this Friday, delivers pool comments, reports on the Shade Tree Commission's CF management plan and ends with ticket sale numbers for an upcoming concert.

Councilmember's Reports:

Deputy Mayor McEvoy begins by thanking all involved for all their work in the upcoming pool season discussions. He attended the Eagle Scouts metal giveaway last week, congratulates Mayor Tamburro for his recent Teacher Recognition award and thanks all residents for their emails regarding the school budget and cuts. He ends with various comments being made regarding the Spectrum Pilot.

Councilman Roman thanks all residents for their correspondences regarding the school budget topic and looks forward to keeping the discussion going.

Councilwoman McGrath also discusses the budget and pilot topic thoroughly and ends by reporting that she attended the Holy Spirits 10 years of their food pantry event as well as the State Committee for LGBTQIA+ youth equity and inclusion in schools.

Councilwoman Holland thanks all residents and parents in the audience and on Zoom for attending this meeting as well as all resident's email correspondences. She then proceeds to discuss the budget cuts and schooling issues.

Public Comment:

Brandan Walsh, Verona, NJ  
Rachel Carmel, Verona, NJ  
Dana Bachan, Verona, NJ  
Jed Dinnerstein, Verona, NJ  
Michele Gruet, Verona, NJ

Hearing, Adoption or Amendment of Ordinances:

Ordinance No. 2026-17, Adopting the Redevelopment Plan for 251 ½ Bloomfield Avenue is carried over to the May 18, 2026 meeting.

Ordinances for Introduction:

**ORDINANCE No. 2026-18**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL POOL FACILITY IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$100,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$80,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF**

The Municipal Clerk reads the ordinance by title.

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

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro**

**NAYS:**

Ordinance No. 2026-18 is introduced 5-0. It will be posted on the Township's Legal Notices webpage and a public hearing will be held on May 18, 2026.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026-19**

**CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$67,500.00 FROM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY**

The Municipal Clerk reads the ordinance by title.

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

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro**

**NAYS:**

Ordinance No. 2026-19 is introduced 5-0. It will be posted on the Township's Legal Notices webpage and a public hearing will be held on May 18, 2026.

**COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026-20**

**WATER AND SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$113,000.00 FROM WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY**

The Municipal Clerk reads the ordinance by title.

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

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro**

**NAYS:**

Ordinance No. 2026-20 is introduced 5-0. It will be posted on the Township's Legal Notices webpage and a public hearing will be held on May 18, 2026.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026-21**

**AMENDING CHAPTER A575-7 "VERONA COMMUNITY POOL;  
MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER FEES"**

A motion to move the ordinance is made by Councilman Roman; seconded by Deputy Mayor McEvoy.

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro**

**NAYS:**

Ordinance No. 2026-21 is introduced 5-0. It will be posted on the Township's Legal Notices webpage and a public hearing will be held on May 18, 2026.

**ORDINANCE No. 2026-22**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2026-26 - "POOL  
MEMBERSHIP FEES" TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF  
NON-RESIDENT MEMBERSHIPS**

A motion to move the ordinance is made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilman Roman.

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro**

**NAYS:**

Ordinance No. 2026-22 is introduced 5-0. It will be posted on the Township's Legal Notices webpage and a public hearing will be held on May 18, 2026.

Consent Agenda:

Meeting minutes from April 6, 2026 and April 20, 2026 are unanimously approved.

**RESOLUTION No. 2026-101**

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

**ACCEPTING THE AWARD OF A NEW JERSEY  
PEDESTRIAN SAFETY GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Verona has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$14,900.00 from the State of New Jersey Division of Highway & Traffic Safety Grant Program.

**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 \$14,900.00.

**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. 2026-102**

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

**AUTHORIZING THE INSERTION INTO THE FY2026 MUNICIPAL  
BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER159, P.L. 1948) OF A  
SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE FORM OF A STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
PEDESTRIAN SAFETY 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 \$14,900.00 from the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway and Traffic Safety, Pedestrian Safety Grant and wishes to amend its 2026 Municipal Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that The Township Council of the Township of Verona, County of Essex 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 2026 in the sum of \$14,900.00 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: Pedestrian Safety Grant

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the like sum of \$14,900.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:

(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS" - Public and Private Revenues  
Offset with Appropriations: Pedestrian Safety 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. 2026-103**

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

**AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH  
CAPITOL SUPPLY CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township has a continued need to purchase water service materials and replacement equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, Capitol Supply Construction Products, Inc. is the local distributor of Mueller Water Works Products used by the Water Utility; and

**WHEREAS**, the products that will be purchased cannot be predicted as the Township utilizes Capitol Supply to replace equipment that breaks during the course of the year and as equipment failures cannot be predicted quotes cannot be obtained; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has determined that the value of said services will not exceed the Township's bid threshold of \$53,000; and

**WHEREAS**, this expenditure shall be charged to Budget Account No. 6-05-55-502-330 and the availability of funds have been contingently certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

**WHEREAS**, the award of the contract to Capitol Supply Construction Products, Inc. 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 Capitol Supply Construction Products, Inc. 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 Capitol Supply Construction Products, Inc., 149 Old Turnpike Road, Wayne, New Jersey 07470 is hereby awarded a contract for providing water service materials for use by the Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that 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. 2026-104**

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

#### **AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH NEW JERSEY FIRE EQUIPMENT COMPANY**

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for firefighter equipment, rescue tools and other apparatus;  
and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to acquire such materials pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19-44A-20.5*; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has determined that the value of said services will exceed \$17,500.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Verona may, without advertising for bids, purchase such materials through the Bergen County Co-Op, BC-BID-24-30 Firefighting Equipment and Rescue Tools, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12* and *N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29 et seq.*, and

**WHEREAS**, this expenditure shall be charged to Budget Account No. C-53-46-040-011 or any other account that may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or her designee, and the availability of funds have been contingently certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

**NOW, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey that New Jersey Fire Equipment Company, 119-131 Rt. 22 East Green Brook, NJ 08812, is hereby awarded a contract for the purchase of firefighter protective clothing, gear, equipment, etc. in an amount not to exceed \$72,604.95.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Manager and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement 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. 2026-105**

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

**AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH PARAMUS FORD**

**WHEREAS**, a need exists for the acquisition of Police pursuit rated vehicle for the daily operations of the Township of Verona Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Verona may, without advertising for bids, purchase such materials through the Bergen County Coop, Bid#BC-BID-24-43 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29 et seq., and

**WHEREAS**, Paramus Ford has proposed a Ford 2026 F150 Police Responder in the amount of \$51,620.11.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, that Paramus Ford is hereby awarded a contract for a Ford 2026 F150 Police Responder in an amount not to exceed \$51,620.11, charged to account number C-53-46-040-056/T-95-56-881-001 or any other account deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer and the availability of funds have been contingently certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

**NAYS:**

**RESOLUTION No. 2026-106**

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

**AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH PUMPING SERVICES, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Water and Sewer Treatment Plant requires the replacement of a broom module for the digester in the sewer department; and

**WHEREAS**, Pumping Services, Inc., located at 201 Lincoln Boulevard, Middlesex, New Jersey 08846 provides the specific parts needed and there are no other vendors that offer alternative parts; and

**WHEREAS**, Pumping Services, Inc. has extensive experience as a representative and service facility for the world's leading manufacturers of equipment used in the treatment and transfer of water, wastewater and other fluids, serving municipal, industrial, construction, commercial and utility markets throughout the State of New Jersey and has previously provided these services to the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Manager has recommended that Pumping Services, Inc. be awarded a contract to provide the aforementioned services; and

**WHEREAS**, this expenditure shall be charged to Budget Account No. 6-05-55-502-384 and the availability of funds have been contingently certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

**WHEREAS**, the award of the contract to Pumping Services Inc. 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 Pumping Services, Inc. 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 Pumping Services, Inc., located at 201 Lincoln Boulevard, Middlesex, New Jersey 08846 is hereby awarded a contract for providing water service materials for use by the sewer utility in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that 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. 2026-107**

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

**AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH PUMPING SERVICES, INC.  
THROUGH NJ WASTEWATER CO-OP**

**WHEREAS**, the Township's Water and Sewer Treatment Plant requires parts, equipment and labor for the replacement of a broom module for the digester in the sewer department; and

**WHEREAS**, Pumping Services, Inc., located at 201 Lincoln Boulevard, Middlesex, New Jersey 08846 provides the specific parts and equipment needed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Verona may, without advertising for bids, purchase such materials through the New Jersey Wastewater Co-op, Bid#B454-8 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29 et seq., and

**WHEREAS**, this expenditure shall be charged to Budget Account No. 6-05-55-502-384 and the availability of funds have been contingently certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey that Pumping Services, Inc., located at 201 Lincoln Boulevard, Middlesex, New Jersey 08846 is hereby awarded a contract for providing water service materials for use by the sewer utility in an amount not to exceed \$26,000.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that 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. 2026-108**

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

**REFUNDING TAX LIEN REDEMPTION**

**WHEREAS**, property located at 1 Claridge Drive #605, Block 101 Lot 1 Qualifier C0605, has been held in tax lien since December 5, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, payment was received from Evident Title Agency in the amount of \$20,265.55, clearing the lien as follows:

Certificate #24-000002	
Certificate	\$ 5,499.70
2% Redemption Penalty	\$ 219.99
2024 Taxes plus Interest	\$ 6,992.89
2025 Taxes plus Interest	\$ 6,107.21
2026 Taxes plus Interest	\$ 1,378.76
Recording Fees	\$ 55.00
Search Fee	\$ <u>12.00</u>
	\$ 20,265.55

Premium	\$ 16,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 36,265.55</b>

**WHEREAS**, this certificate has been held by the Township of Verona and the certificate has been received and properly signed for cancellation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Chief Financial Officer and Tax Collector be authorized to refund, from Trust, \$36,265.55 to:

Owner of 1 Claridge Drive, #605  
 PO Box 141  
 Wyckoff, NJ 07481

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

**NAYS:**

**RESOLUTION No. 2026-109**

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman 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 exist.

**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:**

**RESOLUTION No. 2026-110**

A motion was made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

**CALLING FOR THE RESTORATION OF ENERGY TAX RECEIPTS  
 AND INCREASED MUNICIPAL AID TO PROVIDE  
 REAL PROPERTY TAX RELIEF**

**WHEREAS**, taxes on gas and electric utilities were originally collected by the host municipalities to be used for local purposes and to compensate the public for the use of their rights of way; and

**WHEREAS**, when the State made itself the collection agent for these taxes, it promised to dedicate the proceeds to municipal property tax relief; since, just as municipalities collect property taxes for the benefit of school districts, counties and other entities, the State is supposed to collect Energy Taxes for the benefit of municipal governments; and

**WHEREAS**, under various administrations through the years, the State budget has diverted funding from Energy Taxes to fund State programs; and instead of being spent on local

programs and services and used to offset property taxes, the money has been spent as successive Legislatures and Administrations have seen fit; and

**WHEREAS**, while the State may need to have the right to override the statutory dedication of these revenues to local governments, in order to deal with emergencies and crises that may occur; current State policymakers should not exercise that right automatically; and

**WHEREAS**, while that right should be the exception, it has become the rule; and

**WHEREAS**, by keeping flat funding of the appropriation for CMPTRA year-over-year, State Budget makers have been able to continue collecting Energy Taxes, while keeping additional revenue that should have been returned to provide property tax relief; and

**WHEREAS**, in SFY 2023, the State did provide some much-needed relief in the allocation of \$75 million of new funds identified as the Municipal Relief Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, in SFY 2024, the State allocated \$150 million in Municipal Relief Funds, however, in SFY 2025 and, as proposed in SFY2026, no allocation will exist; and

**WHEREAS**, in the proposed SFY budget is \$60.7 billion, but Energy Tax Receipt funding is remaining flat at \$1.45 billion, a level that has remained largely unchanged despite inflation and rising operational costs; and

**WHEREAS**, the cumulative impact of years of flat funding and underfunding has left many municipalities with serious needs and burdensome property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, local elected officials are in the best position to decide the best use of these resources that were always intended to fund local programs and services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Council of the Township of Verona in the County of Essex, New Jersey hereby calls for the immediate restoration of funding of Energy Taxes consistent with the State's original commitments; increase formula based municipal aid to reflect inflation and rising service costs; and reestablish a fair and reliable fiscal partnership between the State and local governments.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution is forwarded to Senator Corrado, Assemblymember Barlas, Assemblymember DePhillips, the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs Jacquelyn Suárez, the State Treasurer Aaron Binder, the Lieutenant Governor Dale Caldwell, the Governor of the State of New Jersey Mikie Sherrill, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

**NAYS:**

**ABSTAIN:** Holland

**RESOLUTION No. 2026-111**

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

**AWARDING CONTRACT No. 2026-04  
MAINTENANCE AND TREATMENT OF EVERETT FIELD**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Verona received one (1) bid for Contract 2026-04 Maintenance and Treatment of Everett Field on April 28, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the Consulting Engineer has reviewed and recommends the Contract award be made to Green Valley Landscape Design and Maintenance as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the Base Bid Amount of \$14,420; and,

**WHEREAS**, \$14,420 shall be charged to Budget Line Item 6-01-28-375-000 or any account that may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or her designee and shall be charged against and the availability of funds has been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement or any other required documents 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:**

New Business:

Special Counsel, Joe Baumann, Esq., from McManimon Scotland and Baumann is present for the Long-Term Tax Exemption between the Township and 885 Bloomfield Avenue, A&R Skyline Properties.

Council discusses an Open Burn ordinance.

Public Comment:

Maria Conte, Verona, NJ  
Charity Dacey, Verona, NJ  
Mary Ellen McHugh, Verona, NJ  
Will Battersby, Verona, NJ  
Dana Bachan, Verona, NJ  
Chris Barrows, Verona, NJ  
Ron Conte, Verona, NJ

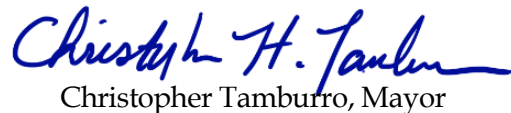
Adjournment:

A motion is made by Councilman Roman; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath to adjourn at 10:11 p.m. Vote: 5 ayes

The next meeting is May 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jennifer Kiernan, Municipal Clerk

  
Christopher Tamburro, Mayor

APPROVED: May 18, 2026