Township of West Milford



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LEGAL NOTICE Township of West Milford Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Ordinance 2024 - 018 ~

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.50% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of West Milford in the County of Passaic finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2024 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council hereby determines that a 1.00% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$287,431.15 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Township Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, in the County of Passaic, a majority of the full authorized membership of this Governing Body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2024 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of West Milford shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.50%, amounting to \$1,006,009.03, and that the CY 2024 municipal budget for the Township of West Milford be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Take notice that the foregoing Ordinance were introduced and passed on first reading at the Regular Meeting of the West Milford Township Council held on April 17, 2024 and was ordered published according to law and will be further considered for final adoption at a meeting of the West Milford Township Council to be held on May 15, 2024, at the West Milford Township Municipal Building, 1480 Union Valley Road, West Milford, New Jersey at 6:30 p.m. prevailing time at which time and place all interested parties may appear and be heard. A copy of these Ordinances may be obtained during regular office hours between 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM Monday through Friday at the Office of the Township Clerk. Published by order of the West Milford Township Council.