



2021 BUDGET Presentation

Township of Wall



2021 BUDGET GOALS

- **Minimize Current Year Tax Increase without Reduction in Services**
- **Prioritize Spending Reductions to Minimize Impact on Current Services**
- **Achieve Fiscal Stability by Considering Both the Short and Longer Term Financial Impact of This Year's Budget Decisions**
- **Address Infrastructure Needs while reducing dependency upon borrowing**
- **Address Changes in Staff Duties/Needs in Order to Respond to Evolving Demands**
- **Meet State Guidelines on Spending Cap and Levy Cap**
- **Respond to the current economic pressures resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic.**

STATE BUDGET MANDATES

• 2.0% Cap on Increase of Municipal Property Taxes

- 2021 Budget is under the 2.0% Tax Levy Cap by \$5,013,378 or 8.26 cents in the tax rate.

• 2.0% Cap on Appropriations

- 2021 Budget is under the 2.0% Appropriations Cap by \$1,575,552.08

2021 BUDGET ACTIONS

1. Individual meetings were convened with all Township Committee Chairs, Dept. Directors and support staff during development and review process.
2. Full “baseline” review of all Departments’ operational costs.
3. Analyzed all revenue items to minimize dependency on taxation.
4. Leveraged all funding sources to reduce need on borrowing.

Two Sections to Each Budget

1. Revenue

2. Appropriations

Revenue

Comparison of Non-Tax Revenue vs. 5 & 10 Year Averages

	2021	5-year Average			10-year Average		
		Average	vs. 2021	% vs. 2021	Average	vs. 2021	% vs. 2021
Local Sources							
ABC & Other Licenses	37,500.00	37,500	-	0.00%	70,100	(32,600)	-46.50%
Other Licenses	79,500.00	88,700	(9,200)	-10.37%	36,400	43,100	118.41%
Construction Code	1,000,000.00	824,400	175,600	21.30%	645,200	354,800	54.99%
Fees and Permits	68,000.00	80,800	(12,800)	-15.84%	108,300	(40,300)	-37.21%
Court Fees	412,904.98	676,881	(263,976)	-39.00%	649,650	(236,745)	-36.44%
Tax Int & Costs	370,000.00	400,000	(30,000)	-7.50%	449,300	(79,300)	-17.65%
Investment Int.	110,000.00	78,600	31,400	39.95%	39,500	70,500	178.48%
Legal settlement		-	-		6,220	(6,220)	-100.00%
Hotel Tax	82,709.25	159,542	(76,833)	-48.16%	130,100	(47,391)	-36.43%
W&S Indirect	339,807.43	350,366	(10,558)	-3.01%	239,992	99,816	41.59%
Sub-Total	2,500,421.66	2,696,789	(196,367)	-7.28%	2,374,762	125,660	5.29%
State Aid							
Energy Receipts Tax	3,524,353.00	3,527,396	(3,043)	-0.09%	3,173,439	350,914	11.06%
Special Legislative		-	-	n/a	-	-	n/a
Federal Aid		-	-	n/a	-	-	n/a
Sub-Total	3,524,353.00	3,527,396	(3,043)	-0.09%	3,173,439	350,914	11.06%
Grants							
FEMA		73,423	(73,423)	-100.00%	101,711	165,269	162.49%
Grants	266,980.69	522,336	(255,355)	-48.89%	434,073	(167,092)	-38.49%
Sub-Total	266,980.69	595,758	(328,778)	-55.19%	535,784	(268,803)	-50.17%
Other Revenue							
Interlocal	131,602.00	127,543	4,059	3.18%	107,951	23,651	21.91%
Delinquent Taxes	1,250,000.00	1,375,000	(125,000)	-9.09%	1,282,170	(32,170)	-2.51%
Other Reserves	1,556,705.00	851,821	704,884	82.75%	335,138	1,221,567	364.50%
Reserve for Debt Service	-	93,156	-		46,578	-	
Sunnyside Repayment	66,667.00	66,667	-		53,334	13,333	25.00%
Surplus	6,352,350.50	5,165,622	1,186,729	22.97%	3,232,098	3,120,253	96.54%
Sub-Total	9,357,324.50	7,679,809	1,677,516	21.84%	5,057,269	4,300,056	85.03%
Total Non-Tax Revenue	15,649,079.85	14,499,751	1,149,329	7.93%	11,141,253	4,507,827	40.46%
Current Taxes	28,459,192.82	27,671,810	787,383	2.85%	24,015,311	4,443,881	18.50%
Grand Total	44,108,272.67	42,171,561	1,936,711	4.59%	35,156,565	8,951,708	25.46%

Comparison of Non-Tax Revenue

2021 vs. 1, 5, and 10 Year Periods

	2021	2020	2017	2012	1-Year Change		5-Year Change		10-Year Change	
					Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%
Local Sources										
ABC & Other Licenses	37,500.00	37,500.00	37,500.00	81,000	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	(43,500)	-53.70%
Other Licenses	79,500.00	80,000.00	115,000.00		(500)	-0.63%	(35,500)	-30.87%	79,500	
Construction Code	1,000,000.00	742,000.00	700,000.00	562,000	258,000	34.77%	300,000	42.86%	438,000	77.94%
Fees and Permits	68,000.00	82,000.00	97,000.00	267,000	(14,000)	-17.07%	(29,000)	-29.90%	(199,000)	-74.53%
Court Fees	412,904.98	706,500.00	775,000.00	676,000	(293,595)	-41.56%	(362,095)	-46.72%	(263,095)	-38.92%
Tax Int & Costs	370,000.00	350,000.00	465,000.00	350,000	20,000	5.71%	(95,000)	-20.43%	20,000	5.71%
Investment Int.	110,000.00	110,000.00	33,000.00	31,000	-	0.00%	77,000	233.33%	79,000	254.84%
Legal settlement			-				-		-	
Hotel Tax	82,709.25	185,000.00	175,000.00		(102,291)	-55.29%	(92,291)	-52.74%	82,709	
W&S Indirect	339,807.43	347,973.24	358,003.15		(8,166)	-2.35%	(18,196)	-5.08%	339,807	
Sub-Total	2,500,421.66	2,640,973.24	2,755,503	1,967,000	(140,552)	-5.32%	(255,081)	-9.26%	533,422	27.12%
State Aid										
Energy Receipts Tax	3,524,353.00	3,530,777.00	3,524,353.00	3,524,353	(6,424)	-0.18%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
Special Legislative				-	-		-		-	
Federal Aid				-	-		-		-	
Sub-Total	3,524,353.00	3,530,777.00	3,524,353.00	3,524,353	(6,424)	-0.18%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
Grants										
FEMA			367,113.65	-	-		(367,114)	-100.00%	-	
Grants	266,980.69	168,468.84	1,403,469.66	206,961	98,512	58.47%	(1,136,489)	-80.98%	60,020	29.00%
Sub-Total	266,980.69	168,468.84	1,770,583.31	206,961	98,512	58.47%	(1,503,603)	-84.92%	60,020	29.00%
Other Revenue										
Interlocal	131,602.00	129,022.00	126,584.00	105,000	2,580	2.00%	5,018	3.96%	26,602	25.34%
Delinquent Taxes	1,250,000.00	1,175,000.00	1,650,000.00	950,000	75,000	6.38%	(400,000)	-24.24%	300,000	31.58%
Other Reserves	1,556,705.00	2,322,995.54	92,812.93	367,400	(766,291)	-32.99%	1,463,892	1577.25%	1,189,305	323.71%
Reserve for Debt Service	-	-			-		-		-	
Sunnyside Repayment	66,667.00	66,667.00	66,667.00		-	0.00%	-	0.00%	66,667	
Surplus	6,352,350.50	5,696,842.62	3,468,685.86	2,600,000	655,508	11.51%	2,883,665	83.13%	3,752,351	144.32%
Sub-Total	9,357,324.50	9,390,527.16	5,404,749.79	4,022,400	(33,203)	-0.35%	3,952,575	73.13%	5,334,924	132.63%
Total Non-Tax Revenue	15,649,079.85	15,730,746.24	13,455,189.25	9,720,713.92	(81,666)	-0.52%	2,193,891	16.31%	5,928,366	60.99%

Comparison of Reliance upon Local Taxation

2021 vs. 1, 5, & 10 Year Historical Data

Revenue Source	2021	2020	2017	2012
Total Non-Tax Revenue	15,649,079.85	15,730,746.24	13,455,189.25	9,720,713.92
Current Tax Levy	28,459,192.82	27,926,019.15	26,913,505.11	25,118,751.23
Grand Total	44,108,272.67	43,656,765.39	40,368,694.36	34,839,465.15
Portion of total budget supported by taxation	64.52%	63.97%	66.67%	72.10%

Note: State reduction in ERT Aid in 2005-2010 of \$922,172
or \$74.03 annually to a homeowner of an average assessed house

Appropriations:

What are the planned uses of the Revenue?

Discretionary vs. Non-Discretionary Comparison

Non-Discretionary Items 47%

Discretionary Items 53%

2021 Budget Appropriations Summary

	Budgeted Amount	Percent Of Total
Public Safety	11,878,450	26.93%
Public Works	6,793,045	15.40%
Debt Service	5,404,575	12.25%
Pension & Social Security	5,133,572	11.64%
Insurance	4,814,169	10.91%
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	2,798,639	6.34%
General Government	2,616,066	5.93%
Engineering, Construction, & Land Use	1,379,321	3.13%
Utilities	980,000	2.22%
Capital Improvements	950,000	2.15%
Recreation	587,103	1.33%
Municipal Court	491,889	1.12%
Grants	266,981	0.61%
Total Budget	44,108,272.67	

2021 Appropriation Summary Comparison 1, 5, & 10 Year Budgets

	2021		2020		2017		2012	
	Budgeted Amount	2021 % Of Total	Budgeted Amount	2020 % Of Total	Budgeted Amount	2017 % Of Total	Budgeted Amount	2012 % Of Total
Public Safety	11,878,450	26.93%	11,651,750	26.69%	10,493,180	26.00%	9,344,000	26.83%
Public Works	6,793,045	15.40%	6,608,285	15.14%	5,921,437	14.67%	6,105,693	17.53%
Debt Service	5,404,575	12.25%	3,936,807	9.02%	3,992,978	9.89%	4,258,699	12.23%
Pension & Social Security	5,133,572	11.64%	4,776,566	10.94%	4,110,653	10.19%	4,126,795	11.85%
Insurance	4,814,169	10.91%	4,811,839	11.02%	4,496,273	11.14%	3,145,258	9.03%
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	2,798,639	6.34%	2,773,639	6.35%	2,630,729	6.52%	2,314,813	6.65%
General Government	2,616,066	5.93%	2,573,470	5.89%	2,535,588	6.28%	1,792,980	5.15%
Engineering, Construction, & Land Use	1,379,321	3.13%	1,464,593	3.35%	1,496,287	3.71%	1,375,105	3.95%
Utilities	980,000	2.22%	1,065,000	2.44%	1,185,000	2.94%	1,265,000	3.63%
Capital Improvements	950,000	2.15%	2,594,600	5.94%	800,000	1.98%	100,000	0.29%
Recreation	587,103	1.33%	606,829	1.39%	497,167	1.23%	278,640	0.80%
Municipal Court	491,889	1.12%	510,456	1.17%	521,367	1.29%	505,723	1.45%
Grants	266,981	0.61%	168,469	0.39%	1,673,470	4.15%	216,078	0.62%
Total Budget	44,108,272.67		43,656,765.39		40,356,146		34,828,783	

***SUMMARY
INFORMATION***

Composition of Total Taxes

Comparison of 2016 to 2020

	2016		2020	
	Tax Rate	% Of Total	Tax Rate	% Of Total
Municipal	0.448	24.71%	0.463	24.11%
County incl. Library & Open Space	0.285	15.72%	0.309	16.09%
School Board	1.08	59.57%	1.148	59.79%
Total	1.813		1.920	

Impacts of Municipal Taxation

Proposed Tax Rate	0.469
Proposed Increase in Rate	0.006
Average Assessed House	484,500
1 Cent on Average Homeowner	48.45
Revenue to the Township per 1 Cent in Rate	606,756

Costs to the Average Wall Township Homeowner for all Municipal Services

	<u>Annually</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Daily</u>
Total Increase to the Average Assessed Home	29.07	2.42	0.56	0.08
Total Municipal Taxes on an Average Assessed Home	2,272.31	189.36	43.70	6.23

2021 Budget Summary and Fact Sheet

2021 Proposed Budget	44,108,272.67	2021 Projected Non-Tax Revenues	15,649,079.85
2020 Budget	43,656,765.39	2020 Non-Tax Revenues	15,730,746.24
Increase (Decrease)	451,507.28	Increase (Decrease)	-81,666.39
Percentage Budget Increase (Decrease)	1.03%	Percentage Non-Tax Increase (Decrease)	-0.52%
Maximum Allowed to be Raised by Taxes	33,472,570.82	2021 Amount to be Raised by Taxes	28,459,192.82
2021 Amount to be Raised by Taxes	28,459,192.82	2020 Amount Raised by Taxes	27,926,019.15
Amount under (over) the Levy Cap	5,013,378.00	Increase	533,173.67
		Percentage Increase	1.91%
2021 Projected Tax Rate	0.469	An Increase of Local Purpose Tax of	0.006
2020 Tax Rate	0.463	On an Average Assessed House of	484,500
Increase	0.006	Equals an Annual increase of Taxation of	29.07
Percentage Increase	1.30%		