



WINSLOW TOWNSHIP 2016 BUDGET PRESENTATION

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Overview of 2016 General Budget

General Budget:

- Provides the same and some expanded levels of service as in 2015.
- 1.48 cent increase in the municipal purpose tax rate (\$28.00 on average assessed value home of \$175,000).
- Provides continued funding of Economic Development initiatives, which have added over \$18 million in new tax retables.
- The State of New Jersey continues to disregard the statute concerning the required distribution of Energy Receipts Tax, which would have provided us with an additional \$5,288,415.00 in 2016. The overall amount of lost state aid dollars due to the States failure to abide by the statute, dating back to 2001, totals \$42,701,826.00. While our fund balance has remained stable from 2015, the continued stagnation of statutorily due state aid causes us to plan conservatively for future budget years to maintain that surplus, as well as to not drastically impact the municipal purpose tax rate. Accordingly, we have utilized \$860,000.00 of Water/Sewer Utility Surplus in this years budget.

TOWNSHIP OF WINSLOW

MUNICIPAL PURPOSE TAX RATE COMPARISON - 2016 to 2015

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Amount to be Raised by Taxation -		
Municipal Purposes	\$ 15,765,000.00	\$ 15,318,000.00
Net Taxable Valuation	\$ 2,646,009,940.00	\$ 2,627,503,750.00
Municipal Purpose Tax Rate	0.00595803	0.00580977
Average Assessed Value	\$ 175,500.00	\$ 174,600.00
Municipal Purpose Tax	\$ 1,042.65	\$ 1,014.39
2016	\$ 1,042.65	
2015	\$ 1,014.39	
Increase/(Decrease) Based Upon Average Assessed Value	\$ <u>28.27</u>	

Impact of State Aid Formula Being Ignored

The State of New Jersey has provided to the Township, two categories of State Aid; Energy Tax Receipts Property Tax Relief and Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief Act. The amount of aid payable to each municipality is to be calculated annually using a statutory formula, which simply stated, would increase the amount of State Aid at the rate of the Implicit Price Deflator. The Implicit Price Deflator is an analytical tool used to measure the impact of inflation on government spending.

Upon their establishment, these State Aids were deemed by the State to be “replacement revenue”, meaning they would replace the municipality’s reliance on property taxes. The State still views it as replacement revenue; however they are replacing revenue items in their budget and not passing it through to local government as mandated by statute.

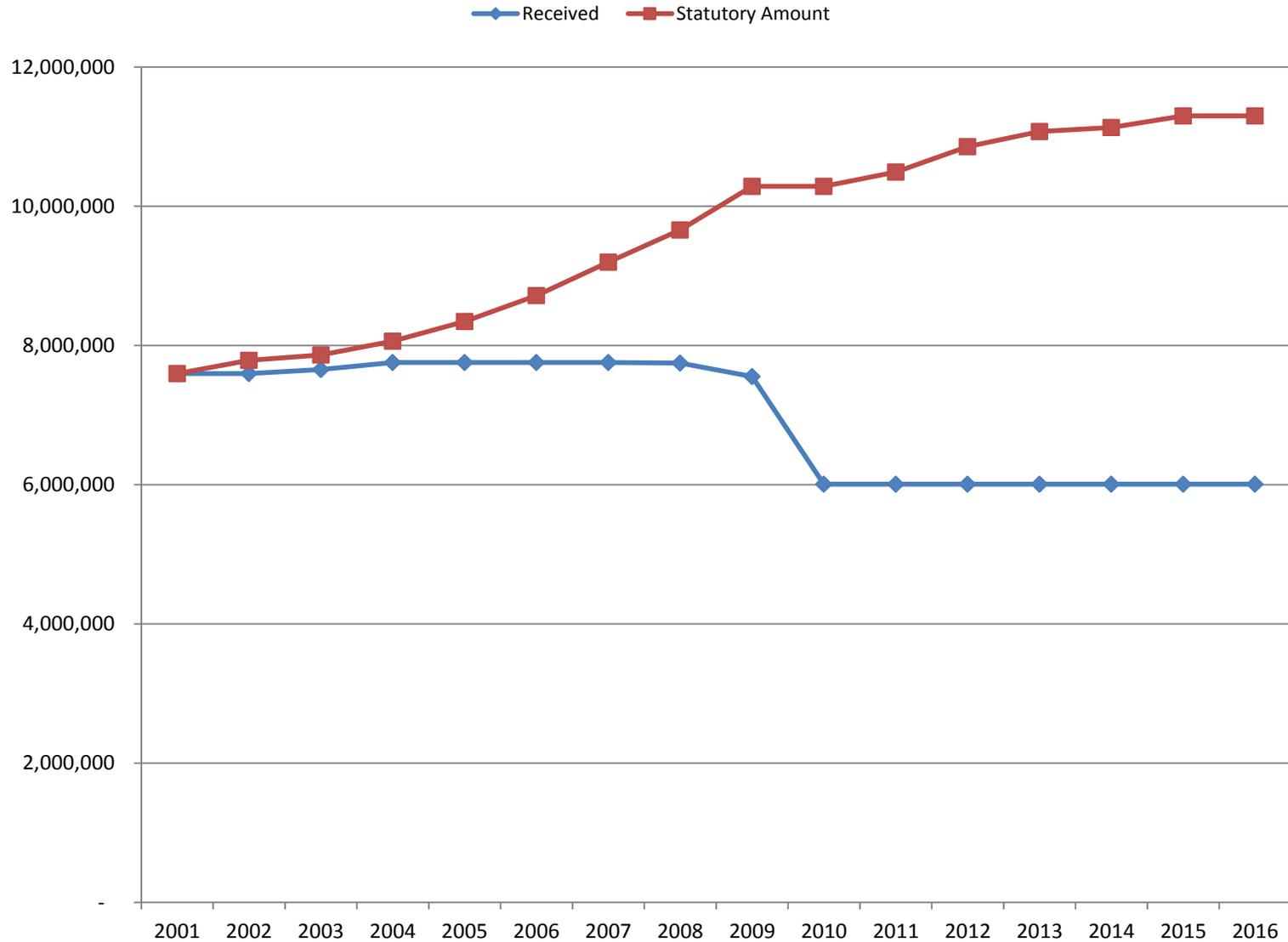
Since the law requiring the usage of the formula was enacted in 1999, the state has, for the most part, ignored the required calculation. Not only did we not receive the annual increases in State Aid in accordance with statute, we have suffered drastic reductions of State Aid.

Ironically, both aids that were cut had the words “tax relief” in their titles. Cutting these amounts however, has had the opposite effect in many municipalities throughout the State. Despite losing over \$1.5 million in hard State Aid dollars and millions more in unfulfilled allocations, Winslow Township has provided the same level of service without drastically increasing the Local Purpose Tax. The spreadsheet and graph that follow illustrate the amount of State Aid Winslow Township should have received over the past decade vs. what we have received.

State Aid Impact Calculation

Year	Actual Amount Received	Implicit Price Deflator	State Aid Formula	Excess/ (Deficit)
2001	\$7,595,578		\$7,595,578	-
2002	\$7,595,578	2.50%	\$7,785,467	(\$189,889)
2003	\$7,655,225	1.00%	\$7,863,322	(\$208,097)
2004	\$7,756,337	2.50%	\$8,059,905	(\$303,568)
2005	\$7,756,337	3.50%	\$8,342,002	(\$585,665)
2006	\$7,756,337	4.50%	\$8,717,392	(\$961,055)
2007	\$7,756,337	5.50%	\$9,196,848	(\$1,440,511)
2008	\$7,746,475	5.00%	\$9,656,691	(\$1,910,216)
2009	\$7,552,813	6.50%	\$10,284,376	(\$2,731,563)
2010	\$6,008,263	0.00%	\$10,284,376	(\$4,276,113)
2011	\$6,008,263	2.00%	\$10,490,063	(\$4,481,800)
2012	\$6,008,263	3.50%	\$10,857,216	(\$4,848,953)
2013	\$6,008,263	2.00%	\$11,074,360	(\$5,066,097)
2014	\$6,008,263	0.50%	\$11,129,732	(\$5,121,469)
2015	\$6,008,263	1.50%	\$11,296,678	(\$5,288,415)
2016	\$6,008,263	0.00%	\$11,296,678	(\$5,288,415)
	\$111,228,858		\$153,930,684	(\$42,701,826)

Calculation of State Energy Tax Obligation

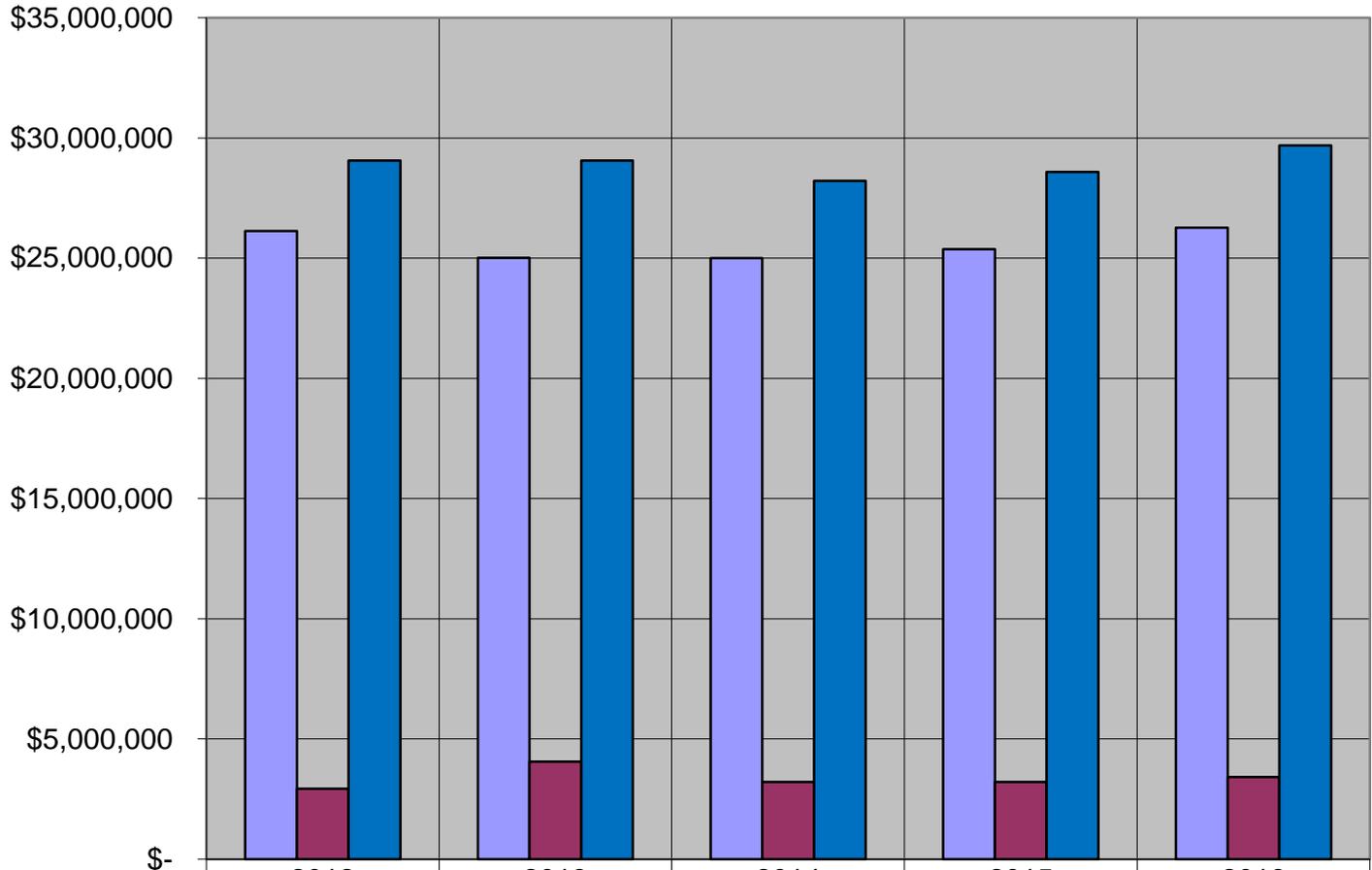


SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN PERSONNEL BY DEPARTMENT

DEPARTMENT	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Administration	5	5	8 FT/3 PT	10 FT/ 2 PT	11 FT/1PT
Assessing	3	3 FT/1 PT	3 FT/1 PT	3 FT/1 PT	3 FT/1 PT
Clerk's Office	5	5	4 FT/1 PT	5	5
Court Office	6	5 FT/1 PT	5 FT/1 PT	5	5 FT/1PT
Construction Office	8	5 FT/3 PT	2 FT/6 PT	4 FT/5 PT	5 FT/4PT
Health	1	1	1	1	1
Public Works	31	30	30 FT/1 TEMP	31	28
Police Department*	94	95	92	83	83
Planning and Zoning	2	2	2	2	2
Treasury	3	3	3	3	3
Tax Collection	5	6	6	6	6
Water and Sewer	11	11	11	11	11
Totals	174	171 FT/5 PT	167 FT/12 PT	164 FT/8 PT	162 FT/8 PT
*Police Officers	72	71 1 SP2	72 & 2 SP2	72 & 1 SP2	72 & 1 SP2
*Non-police	15	15	11	7	7
*Part time	7	8	7	3	3

TOTALS

DOLLARS



	2012 Budget	2013 Budget	2014 Budget	2015 Budget	2016 Budget
■ Total Appropriations-excluding grants	\$26,133,325.0	\$25,012,208.0	\$25,002,263.0	\$25,377,266.0	\$26,270,340.0
■ Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	\$2,921,959.00	\$4,052,709.00	\$3,209,275.00	\$3,210,775.00	\$3,413,329.00
■ Total Budget-excluding grants	\$29,055,284.0	\$29,064,917.0	\$28,211,538.0	\$28,588,041.0	\$29,683,669.0

Major Appropriation Line Item Changes

	Increase/ <u>(Decrease)</u>
Employer Contribution to PFRS (Based upon contracted sal.)	\$115,563.00
Trash Collection/Disposal (Would have been a minimum of \$134,000.00 per bid if not converted to automated).	\$575,000.00
Police Salaries (Contractual)	\$125,000.00
Street Lighting	\$25,000.00
Utility & Bulk Purchases (Gasoline)	\$(50,000.00)
Emergency Appropriations (\$165,000.00 for Revaluation eliminated, \$90,000.00 for Storm Cleanup added-net)	\$(75,000.00)

FUTURE 2016 AND BEYOND...

- Continue to explore shared services options with Camden County and other Municipal Governments
- Continuous Evaluation of how services are provided in an effort to reduce spending.
- Continue Winslow's efforts to "Market" the Township, and develop strategic Economic Development Plans.
- Continue our "Green Efforts" by reducing energy costs through our :
 - Continuing our efforts in exploring solar opportunities
 - Maintaining and Expanding our Certification with NJ Sustainable
 - Energy Consortium (bids out our energy costs)