

Borough of Tinton Falls 2018 Year-in-Review: List of Major Accomplishments Presentation to the Borough Council

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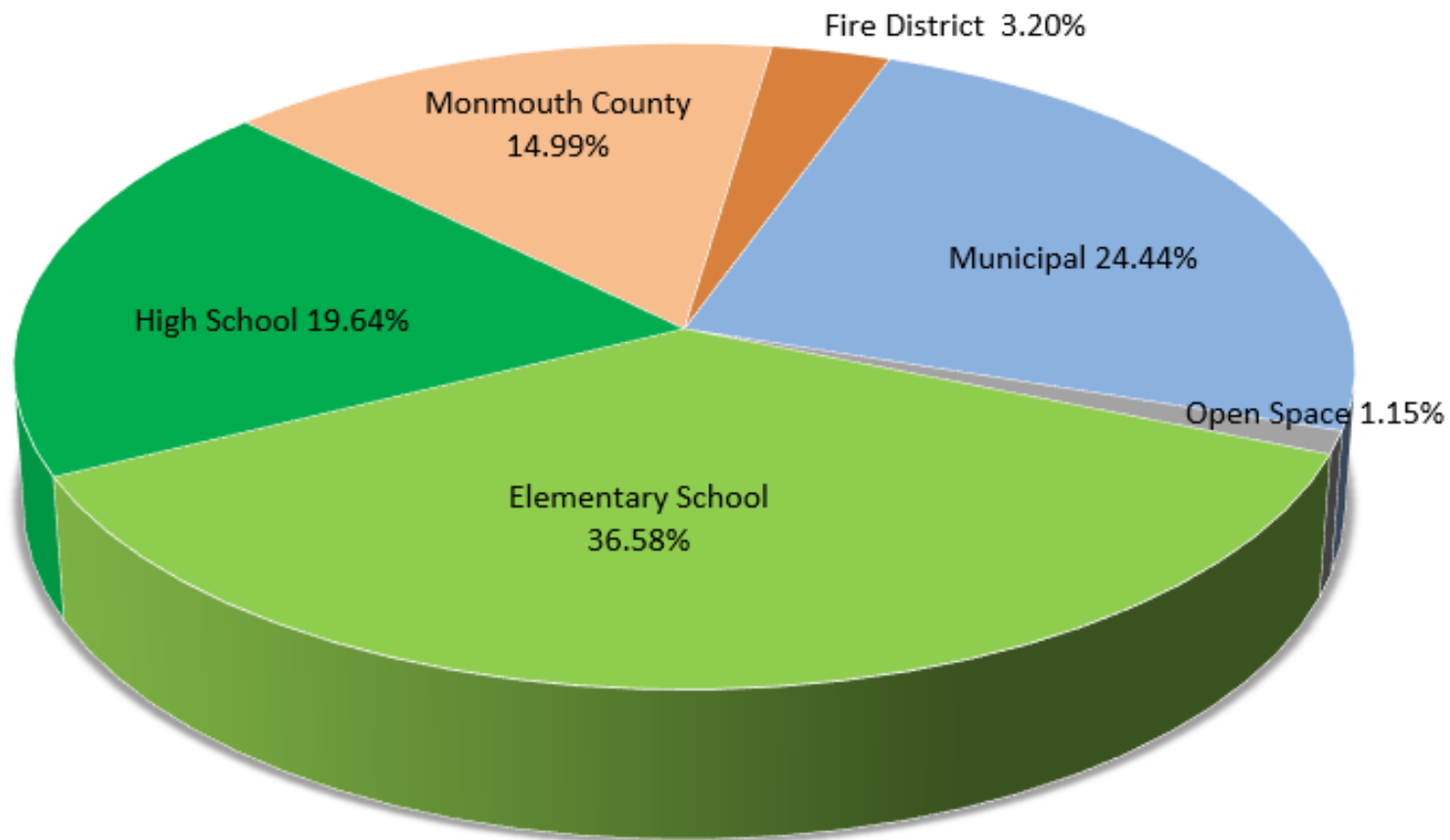
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- ✓ 2% Decrease to the Municipal Tax Rate
- ✓ Municipal Debt Remaining Neutral with Accelerated Payments



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- ✓ **First Net Communication Upgrade** – priority communication access and high availability cellular network for police, emergency management and public works. (Tinton Falls Borough was one of the first 10 municipalities in New Jersey to implement).
- ✓ **Commvault Data Management and Backup** – borough data recoverable quickly. (Tinton Falls was the 1st municipality in NJ to implement)
- ✓ **Microsoft Office 365 and Azure Upgrade** – cloud-based and provides robust security, reliability, and user productivity.
- ✓ **Meeting and Agenda Management Software for Clerk, Zoning Board, and Planning Board** – streamlining the process; phase 1.
- ✓ **Server and Storage Upgrades** – proactive IT upgrades to server room.

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- ✓ **Payroll Software Upgrades and Business Process Automation** – streamlined payroll processing, from paper based to electronic.
- ✓ **Direct Deposit Ordinance** – adopted to support the new payroll system and to save time and money.
- ✓ **Computer Upgrades** – replaced old computers as needed; initial round completed.
- ✓ **New Emergency Notification System** – less costly and provides greater features; phase 1.

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- ✓ **Recreation Master Plan** – borough’s first 5-year capital study to update and enhance the borough’s parks and open spaces; kickoff and park site visits conducted.
- ✓ **Walz Property Acquisition** – nearly 60 acres of farmland and wooded areas preserved for open space in south Tinton Falls.
- ✓ **\$250,000 Monmouth County Open Space Grant** – awarded for Walz property.
- ✓ **Outdoor Sidewalk and Café Ordinance** – adopted and provides new opportunities for outdoor restaurant seating in Tinton Falls; business friendly and reduces red tape.

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- ✓ **Tinton Falls Day 2018** – successful event and raised 52% more funds than the previous year.
- ✓ **Zoning Ordinances Update** – phase 1 to reduce red tape for both residents and businesses.
- ✓ **Library Investigation and Grant Application Preparation** – prepared and awaiting New Jersey submission guidelines.

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- ✓ **Fort Monmouth Healthcare Campus** – approved at FMERA meeting, proposed development near former Myer Center; new jobs and tax revenue.
- ✓ **Security Assessment Study** – committee formed with the joint-courts to study and address the needs and safety of the municipal court, public works, and borough hall.
- ✓ **Electric Vehicle Grant Submission** – submitted for borough hall, Sycamore Park and Liberty Park locations; pending review and approval by New Jersey.
- ✓ **Fairness Hearing for Borough's 3rd Round Affordable Housing Plan** – preliminary approval received from New Jersey courts.

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- ✓ **Earle Housing Bill** – NJ Assembly A-1114, and NJ Senate S-1919 was signed by the Governor; Tinton Falls Borough, school boards, and many others lobbied for passage.

- ✓ **Borough Hall Repairs:**
 - a) replaced damaged curb, sidewalk, and steps at borough hall to remove tripping hazards.

 - b) installed a seal coat over the parking lot to extend the useful life of the asphalt.

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- ✓ **Roads/Sidewalks** – contract awarded for repaving 13 roads and adding new sidewalks to connect the middle-school, library, and Crawford House; initial drainage, concrete work, and driveway repairs completed.
- ✓ **Hance Park Upgrade** – new playground equipment installed.
- ✓ **Liberty Park Upgrade** – new playground equipment installed.
- ✓ **Riveredge Road Slope Stabilization** – replaced a collapsed outfall pipe and retaining walls that was causing sinkholes and potential damage to nearby residential properties.

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- ✓ **Speed Signs** – new solar-powered radar speed signs installed on Rutgers Drive, West Park Avenue, Heritage Blvd and Cannonball Drive.
- ✓ **LEAD Program** – (Law Enforcement Against Drugs) to our 6th, 7th and 8th grade students, taught by our police officers.
- ✓ **Halloween Event** – revamped to “Trunk or Treat” at Sycamore Park.
- ✓ **Reinstated Grease Trap Inspections** – at borough businesses to prevent grease from damaging borough infrastructure.

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✓ Q & A