

## Bruce Vozech

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**From:** Bruce Vozech  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 25, 2024 10:13 AM  
**To:** Jen C  
**Cc:** Meredith Bendian  
**Subject:** RE: OPRA  
**Attachments:** SKM\_C65924062510130.pdf

Hi Jennifer,

I know both Meredith and I have mentioned this in our responses a number of times. OPRA requests ask for specific records. We fill those requests based on what is asked for. I think we are having a disconnect as we are supplying what is asked for in the OPRA and you seem to want something else. As I have mentioned in previous responses, debt position or outstanding debt at a point in time are different records than bond ordinances. This is what we had included in last week response:

"Bond ordinances and debt position are two different items. While Bond ordinances do impact debt position they are totally different as the bond ordinance just authorizes the Borough to borrow money for a specific purpose(s) as outlined in the ordinance, it is not an issuance of debt. Debt position at a point in time, provides the amount of debt outstanding based on the actual debt issued from the bond ordinances and previous paydowns of the debt. When debt position was requested information on that was provided, when bond ordinances were requested the requested ordinances were provided, the OPRA requests were filled completely."

Your email from Sat again seems to be mixing the two. You said that "ordinance documents were provided when bond debt was requested" and forwarded the OPRA request response from July 10, 2020 referencing in your email that you asked for bonds taken out in those years 2014-2017, which was why bond ordinances issued in those years were supplied in response to the OPRA.

If you were/are looking for debt outstanding in those years, that is what was supplied to you last week in the form of the annual debt statements for those years. One other point that may not be clear is that the debt outstanding will include debt from Bond Ordinances issued in prior years as the ordinances can take up to 12 years to pay off fully. Therefore, the bond ordinances for 2014-2017 for example are not the only ordinances included in the debt outstanding during those years. I have included one page from the 2014 Annual Debt Statement you were sent last week as an example. You will see at the end of 2014 Borough debt outstanding was \$9,677,800 which included Bond ordinances from 2009 thru 2013.

If you are looking for debt outstanding, those records are the Annual Debt Statements provided last week which show debt outstanding and which ordinances are included in that outstanding debt. If you are looking for details about what items are included in the Bond Ordinance that will only be in the Ordinance itself.

Hope this clears up the confusion

Thanks  
Bruce

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**From:** Jen C <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 22, 2024 10:38 AM  
**To:** Bruce Vozech <bvozech@ramseynj.com>  
**Subject:** Fwd: OPRA

Hi Bruce,

Based on our call this week I wanted you to have what I am requesting for 2014-2019 - complete bond debt for BPW and Borough.

Ordinance documents were provided when bond debt was requested - is this complete for those years?

Below is what was provided for years 2014-2017.

I was requesting the bond debt from those years and my concern was that this may not have been complete for those years.

The amount seems extremely low.

I requested again as I would really like to ensure that the 2014-2019 bond debt (borough and BPW figures) are complete.

Thank you,  
Jennifer

2014-2017 Bond Debt

2014-2017 bonds

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Clerk <[ramseyclerk@ramseynj.com](mailto:ramseyclerk@ramseynj.com)>

Date: Fri, Jul 10, 2020 at 11:07 AM

Subject: OPRA

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: Meredith Bendian <[mbendian@ramseynj.com](mailto:mbendian@ramseynj.com)>

Jennifer,

Please see attached bonds for 2014-2017

Meredith Bendian

Borough Clerk

# Board of Public Works Debt Position - October 2023

	<i>Original Bond Information</i>		<i>Current Bond Information</i>				
	<i>Ordinance Number</i>	<i>Ordinance Amount</i>	<i>Balance 1/1/2023</i>	<i>2023 Principal Paydown</i>	<i>2023 Bond Ordinances</i>	<i>Current Balance</i>	<i>Bond Anticipation Net Interest Cost</i>
<b><u>Board of Public Works - Water &amp; Sewer</u></b>							
<b>January Maturing BAN</b>							
Lead Service Line	8-2022	900,000	855,000	0		855,000	4.10%
<b>June Maturing BAN</b>							
Arsenic Treatment Project & Well Reactivation	13-2019	6,525,000	4,200,000	(300,000)		3,900,000	3.89%
Arsenic Treatment Project & Well Reactivation	3-2020	2,900,000	2,300,000	(150,000)		2,150,000	3.89%
NJIT Bonds - 2007 Filter Treatment System	15-2007	1,923,000	605,780	(108,685)		497,095	2.37%
<b>Total Board of Public Works</b>		<b>12,248,000</b>	<b>7,960,780</b>	<b>(558,685)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,402,095</b>	

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	<i>Ordinance Number</i>	<i>Ordinance Amount</i>	<i>Balance 1/1/2023</i>	<i>2023 Principal Paydown</i>	<i>2023 Bond Ordinance</i>	<i>Current Balance</i>	<i>Bond Anticipation Net Interest Cost</i>
<b><u>BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES</u></b>							
<b>January Maturing BAN</b>							
Municipal Pool/Shadyside Oak	9-2013	2,678,000	1,400,000	(200,000)		1,200,000	4.10%
Senior/Community Center & Pool House	16-2018	2,450,000	2,010,000	(90,000)		1,920,000	4.10%
Senior Center, Site Work, Rescue Squad Truck	15-2019	2,660,000	2,335,000	(100,000)		2,235,000	4.10%
Road Resurfacing	11-2021	750,000	710,000	(40,000)		670,000	4.10%
Vehicles & Open Space Projects	7-2022	775,000	736,000	0		736,000	4.10%
<b>Total January BAN</b>		<b>9,313,000</b>	<b>7,191,000</b>	<b>(430,000)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,761,000</b>	<b>4.10%</b>
<b>June Maturing BAN</b>							
Fire Dept Ladder Truck	21-2016	1,050,000	550,000	(65,000)		485,000	3.89%
Main Street Streetscape Phase 2	21-2018	833,000	635,000	(460,000)		175,000	3.89%
Mult Purpose (Road Resurfacing, Muni Aid, Truck)	6-2019	1,500,000	915,000	(90,000)		825,000	3.89%
Elbert & Myrtle	12-2019	555,000	250,000	(45,000)		205,000	3.89%
Multi Purpose (Road Resurfacing, Muni Aid)	5-2020	1,285,000	805,000	(110,000)		695,000	3.89%
Replacement Machinery & Equipment	17-2021	905,000	859,000	(60,000)		799,000	3.89%
Roads, Sidewalks, Hoist Truck, Design Services	4-2023	2,721,600	0		2,581,000	2,581,000	3.89%
<b>Total June BAN</b>		<b>8,849,600</b>	<b>4,014,000</b>	<b>(830,000)</b>	<b>2,581,000</b>	<b>5,765,000</b>	<b>3.89%</b>
<b>Total Borough</b>		<b>18,162,600</b>	<b>11,205,000</b>	<b>(1,260,000)</b>	<b>2,581,000</b>	<b>12,526,000</b>	