

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN  
HELD AT THE FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
46 MAIN STREET, FRANKLIN, NJ  
December 9, 2014**

Mayor Crowley called the meeting to order and requested the Borough Clerk to call the roll. Upon roll call, the following members of the Governing Body were present: Mr. Babcock, Mr. Giordano, Mr. Limon, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Zschack, and Mayor Crowley.

Absent: None

Mayor Crowley led the assembly in the flag salute.

Mayor Crowley stated "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Ch. 231. It has been properly advertised and certified by the Clerk."

PRESENTATIONS

At this time Mayor Crowley presented Mark Zschack with a certificate for his dedication and service as a Franklin Borough Councilman from June 10, 2008 to December 31, 2014. Mayor Crowley thanked Mr. Zschack.

Mr. Zschack commented it has been an honor and pleasure to serve all these years.

Mayor Crowley commented usually we do this more formally, Mr. Zschack had asked not to, so he went with his [Mr. Zschack's] request.

Mayor Crowley stated at this time, Robert Walker, from Walkkill Valley High School, is here and has asked to address the Council on a resolution about the Vo-Tech school non tuition and user fees. Mayor Crowley handed out a copy of the resolution to the Council.

Robert Walker, stepped forward to address the Council. Mr. Walker commented on addressing the Council three months ago, when he first introduced this resolution; since that time the resolution has been passed by Hamburg, Ogdensburg, Franklin Borough of Ed., Ogdensburg Board of Ed., Walkkill Board of Ed., and Hardyston has passed it with a revision. There is only one group left standing that hasn't passed it. Mr. Walker asked the Council to seriously consider passing the resolution. Mr. Walker gave reasons as to why the Council should consider passing the resolution.

There was a discussion and the Council asked Mr. Walker questions. Items discussed were cutting staff, transportation, population dropping, 43 years no tuition and user fees, it was changed three years ago, the Tech Board of Education and the County Freeholder got together and this is how the fund changed, tuition follows the student and they make it a user fee, hearing from the other side before the Council acts on anything and this will be discussed at tomorrow night's League of Municipality Sussex County meeting,

Mayor Crowley commented on the resolution that was prepared [handed out], the Council can put this off or discuss it further, it is a Council decision.

Mr. Limon commented he would like to hear the other side and recommends the Council hold off.

Mr. Giordano commented he would be inclined to agree with Mr. Walker.

Mr. Martinez commented he read this before and to be honest with you he kind of agrees with Mr. Walker.

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Mr. Giordano made a motion to accept the resolution as presented. Seconded by Mr. Martinez.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Martinez, Snyder, Babcock, Giordano

Nays: Limon, Zschack Absent: None Abstentions: None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Limon reported we sent out a position letter to Franklin FOP on their contract negotiations, we have not heard from them yet. Mr. Limon respectfully requested an executive session for the Administrator's contract.

Mr. Giordano reported recreation had their Christmas Tree Lighting. Mr. Giordano commented there were some miss communication. We need to work on communication with the Borough and that committee [Recreation], basically [with] DPW, to try and work out recreations efforts a little better.

Mr. Snyder reported he met with the CFO to go over the end of year budget, there is a spending freeze, the revenues that we anticipated haven't been able to come into the town and Capital Projects we have to discuss.

Mr. Zschack had nothing to report.

Mr. Babcock had nothing to report.

Mr. Martinez had nothing to report.

Mr. Kilduff reported the following administrator's report which is also on file in the Clerk's office.

Borough Sites and Street Issues

Discussion of the pond recreation area improvements are on the agenda. The engineer has provided preliminary estimates as to the costs for proposed improvements. The Council should consider prioritization and funding for these projects. There is available approximately \$40,000 in capital money and \$112,000 in the Millie Harden fund.

Financial Control/Legal Issues

The bond refunding ordinance is on tonight's agenda for introduction. The so called \$2.5 million "refundng" is for the purpose of refinancing current long term debt and saving money by restructuring old debt.

Yesterday the Borough received 2015 assessments from Statewide Insurance. Last year the initial assessment was \$273,565.11. The Borough realized additional savings during the course of the year by deleting umbrella coverage and increasing certain base limits. This resulted in actual payments of \$266,838 in 2014. The new 2015 assessment is \$274,589, an increase of \$7,750 or .02904% over last year.

Statewide Insurance also announced a new grant program intended to reduce insurance costs. The program will pay up to 1% of the Borough's assessment for purchase of items that may contribute to claim reduction. Franklin will be eligible for \$2,746 in grant funds for 2015.

Today the Sussex County Municipal Utilities Authority (SCMUA) provided its estimate of annual sewage treatment charges. In Fiscal Year 2014, the estimated charges to the Borough were \$1,018,051. The new estimate for Fiscal Year 2015 is \$919,080 or \$98,971 less than 2014. The amount reflects a general charge on bonds in the amount of \$260,629 and \$658,451 in operating and maintenance expenses.

SCMUA has published its adopted rate schedule for FY2015. The rates are as previously proposed for residential and bulky waste (\$96/ton for residential and \$115/ton for bulky waste).

Verizon Wireless continues to express interest in the Evans Street water tower location for a cellular antenna system installation. Should the project proceed it will go to municipal bid. Zoning approval may also be necessary, depending upon the extent of the project.

The County has submitted a voucher for payment to the Borough of approximately \$3,000 in connection with sidewalk improvements related to the viaduct bridge project. The County's payment is being made in response to requests by the Administrator for a fair share contribution that included paving portions of Fowler and Junction Streets.

Operational/Personnel Matters

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The newly appointed police officer, Zachary Oren, is expected to start work on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Oren's appointment returns the current staffing to a department of 14 members. An injured police officer has been out for an extended period.

Sussex Borough has made inquiries to Sussex County municipalities regarding its interest in a shared service for Chief Municipal Finance Officer. The Borough already has a shared service in place with Sussex County.

Land Use Matters

The Zoning Board approved a Resolution on December 3<sup>rd</sup> memorializing sign variances granted to Franklin Rest. LLC, owners of the new Burger King franchise.

The Borough's land use professionals met on December 5<sup>th</sup> for preliminary, informational discussions with a developer considering a residential project on the old hospital site. More research and discussion is needed.

Long-term and Capital Projects

Based on Council discussions, the Borough Engineer has provided revised proposals and pricing for pond recreation area improvements. This matter is on tonight's agenda.

Miscellaneous

The County Planning Division has provided a draft of the Franklin Borough Municipal Chapter of the Sussex County Water Quality Management Plan. The plan is to be submitted to the NJ Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) and is intended to accompany the Future Sewer Service Area Map approved by the DEP in June of 2013. The chapter includes a buildout analysis which shows proposed development and projected wastewater flows. Franklin's existing flow rate in 2013 was 0.409 MGD. The Borough has an allocation of 0.785MGD; The Borough Engineer is reviewing the draft chapter projections of 655 residential units and 580,200sf of commercial/industrial space.

Mayor Crowley reported he has a couple of quick things and he has a couple of items he needs to explain. Mayor Crowley thanked recreation for the Tree lighting, he wasn't able to make it himself but he understands it went well. It is always something to look forward to, to kick off the season.

Mayor Crowley commented he noticed going pass the Municipal DPW Buildings, that there were some cars down there, apparently a meeting going on. Mayor Crowley stated he wants to reiterate Borough buildings are not to be used as meeting places for especially the DPW. There should not be any visitors down there or non employees unless they are down there for business. If people are visiting down there on business they should be signed in, if there is not a visitors sign in book at the different buildings there should be. Mayor Crowley commented he wants to make sure any visitor that is down there signs in and out, also while they are down there, they should not be in an area to just stop and chat with the staff.

Mayor Crowley stated there have been a couple of subjects brought up recently that he needs to address. Mayor Crowley stated first is concerning Bob Dabinett, during the election process items were brought up at the Franklin Tax Payers Association concerning conflicts of interest and the miss use of Borough work space as a tool for repairs for personal vehicles when you were Councilman in previous administrations. An OPRA request was made for minutes requested by these incidents. Mayor Crowley recently reviewed these minutes to find it refers to the use of Borough assets to repair private vehicles. The doors were open and people could see the private commercial vehicle being repaired because that was the way it was done. Mayor Crowley commented he reviewed these minutes, this casual abuse may have been accepted in those days. Mayor Crowley commented he is putting everybody on notice that these practices are no longer acceptable even the hint of such a practice gives the appearance of impropriety for the Borough. To protect the Borough from even the appearance of such practice he says it openly now, during the reorganization and the next coming year that Bob Dabinett will not have any Councilman duties with the DPW, he will not be appointed to the BPW [or] anything on the BPW.

Mayor Crowley stated he would like to address comments made by Mr. Durina. Mayor Crowley commented Mr. Durina has been coming to the microphone and he has not engaged and at this point he needs to explain why. Mayor Crowley

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commented he hasn't engaged Mr. Durina because he finds him mean spirited, a decisive force in the community, he practices an arm twisting politics that is negative and a negative view point for Franklin. Mayor Crowley commented he went back to an editorial by the New Jersey Herald dated October 31, 1999. The New Jersey Herald had previously supported Mr. Durina in selective campaigns, they no longer supported Mr. Durina and his type of bullying, he practices arm twisting and power politics and they send a message that doesn't pull people together. It is more Hudson County then Sussex County. His actions and political demeanor, he was thrown out of office by his own party. Mayor Crowley commented he was replaced by an overwhelming majority of Republican voters letting a Democrat to take his place on the Freeholder Board.

Mayor Crowley stated Mr. Durina is free to come to the microphone like any other person, he will have his three minutes, I would tell you I don't put much stock in what he says and barley listen to him, but he is welcome to his three minutes.

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION**

Mr. Snyder made a motion to open the meeting to the public for anyone wishing to address the Governing Body. Seconded by Mr. Babcock. All were in favor.

Dick Durina 23 Lozaw Road, Franklin, stepped forward. Mr. Durina commented no surprises there, if you get any mail delivered to your home and it says honorable in front of it, it is not for you. That is about the lowest political scheme that he has seen in 40 years of being associated with political people. Mr. Durina summarized an article regarding a Supreme Court Decision. Mr. Durina commented rumors around town is that he goes to Mayor and Council meeting making inaccurate public statements regarding water and sewer bills owed to the Borough. Mr. Durina read an email from Mr. Kilduff. Mr. Durina commented Anytime is paid up but what happened to years of interest because the Administrator didn't send a water bill.

Mayor Crowley commented thank you, your time is up. Would anyone else like to address the Council.

Mr. Durina continued speaking.

Mayor Crowley commented Mr. Durina you are out of line, your time is up please be seated.

Mr. Durina continued speaking.

Mayor Crowley commented please be seated your time is up.

Mr. Durina continued speaking.

Mayor Crowley commented please be seated.

Mr. Durina continued.

Mayor Crowley commented please be seated or he will ask the police to remove you.

Mr. Durina commented ask them to.

Mayor Crowley called Chief McInerney to remove Mr. Durina.

Robert Dabinett, Corkhill Road, Franklin, stepped forward. Mr. Dabinett commented he had no plans on addressing this group tonight. Mr. Dabinett commented he is an

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American Citizen, a United States Navy Veteran and an Elected Official in the Town to represent the people in the town and you or nobody else will ever tell me who he can speak to or what subject he can speak of. As far as his time being up your time is up Mr. Mayor.

Rachel Heath, 7 Hemlock Drive, Franklin, stepped forward. Mrs. Heath commented it is very disheartening listening [to this]. Mrs. Heath commented on the use of the Senior Center. Mrs. Heath commented Mr. Giordano addressed there was a miscommunication for the tree lighting. The trees look beautiful the grounds look gorgeous, recreation is doing a great job, all volunteers. However, when they did the request to use the Senior Center they put down tree lighting and to serve refreshments, the Council approved it and questioned if anyone asked about the kitchen. There was no key and she understands access was made to the kitchen, this is wrong. Ms. Heath went through a copy of the applications stating all groups that use the Senior Center. Ms. Heath commented on a private party that had an application for use of the Senior Center. Ms. Heath commented she didn't see any fees waived at all. We have a fee schedule, when people are using the Senior Center it is \$10.00 per hour, \$75.00 an 8 hour rate and a flat rate per month is \$600.00.

Mayor Crowley commented we will have to look into this, we need to communicate when someone needs to use the kitchen and they need to make arrangements to use the kitchen.

Mrs. Heath commented the kitchen is a nutrition site.

Mayor Crowley commented the County does not say they cannot use the kitchen.

Mr. Babcock commented you need a food handler license.

Mayor Crowley commented if they ask for use of the kitchen they will have to make arrangements, they will have to possibly put down a deposit to make sure it is cleaned up afterwards and we have to make that arrangement. They can't just walk in there and expect the kitchen to be opened.

Mayor Crowley informed Mrs. Heath her time was up.

Mrs. Heath commented you need to have a dollar amount on your construction agreement.

Michael Krupa, resident tax payer of Franklin, stepped forward. Mr. Krupa commented in recognition of Mr. Zschack's services he would like to add a personal experience. Mr. Krupa explained to the Council a situation between himself and Mr. Zschack.

Mike Rathbun, 30 Sterling Street, Franklin, stepped forward. Mr. Rathbun commented he is also the Chairman of the Franklin Recreation Commission. Mr. Rathbun commented there was a little communication error, on their application they did put down refreshments, there was cookies, crumb cake and they were also planning on having coffee and hot chocolate. Mr. Rathbun commented we assumed that Recreation would have access to the kitchen because of the water needed to make the coffee and hot chocolate. When we got there the front was not shoveled from the storm on Wednesday, we spent about two hours shoveling to get into the building, when we got in we saw the kitchen was locked up. But there was still a way to access to the kitchen and get in. Being we did not want to just serve cookies and crumb cake since this was also the first year we didn't have any presents and we didn't want to make it a complete disappointment. We accessed the kitchen,

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didn't think it was going to be that big of a deal because of the water we needed we did not want to get the water from the bathrooms. In the future he understands we need to ask if the kitchen is going to be open. Mr. Rathbun thanked everyone that came out for the tree lighting and everyone that volunteered and put all the hard work into it. Mr. Rathbun asked is that the way we are going to move forward, if we want the kitchen we should ask for it.

Mayor Crowley commented to make sure you call the Administrator or Clerk before hand to make sure they know you are going to need the kitchen.

Mr. Rathbun commented he apologized for any miscommunication.

Anthony Marino, 45 Mabie Street, Franklin, stepped forward. Mr. Marino commented he is also on the Board of Recreation. Mr. Marino asked who owns the Senior Center building.

Mayor Crowley commented it is owned by the Borough and was obtained by a Grant from the State.

Mr. Marino commented it is for everyone in the Borough.

Mayor Crowley commented it was primarily dedicated as a senior center, it is a public building; houses the police department upstairs and the Senior Center downstairs. It has offices that we rent out downstairs, the Franklin Band and the Salvation Army.

Mr. Marino commented money is tight for the Borough so if one group wants [the use of the Center] have a 99 years lease in the amount of \$450,000.

There being no one else present who wished to address the Governing Body, Mr. Babcock made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. Martinez. All were in favor.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Crowley requested that all persons present review the consent agenda and offer any comments they may have at this time regarding the consent agenda.

**CORRESPONDENCE** (ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING ONLY OF THE FOLLOWING):

1. Memo dated November 26, 2014 from Jim Kilduff, Administrator to All Department Heads Re: Spending Freeze.
2. Letter dated December 2, 2014 from James C. Kilduff, Administrator to Zachary Oren Re: Police Officer Employment with Franklin Borough.

**REPORTS** (ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF THE FOLLOWING):

1. Construction report for November, 2014.
2. COH report for November, 2014.
3. Tax Department report for November, 2014.
4. Health Department report for October, 2014
5. Police Department report for November, 2014.

**APPLICATIONS** (APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING):

1. Application for Peddler/Solicitors permit for Mickel Belle, employed by Slomin's to solicit home security/home heating oil.

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2. Application for Peddler/Solicitor permit for Marius Williams, employed by Slomin's to solicit home security/home heating oil.
3. Application for Peddler/Solicitor permit for Luis Oliveira, employed by Slomin's to solicit home security/home heating oil.
4. Application for Peddler/Solicitor permit for Emmanuel Ezeigbo, employed by Slomin's to solicit home security/home heating oil.
5. Application for Peddler/Solicitor permit for Angel Ramirez, employed by Slomin's to solicit home security/home heating oil.

**RESOLUTIONS** (APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING):

1. Payment of bills for the meeting of December 9, 2014.

Mr. Limon made a motion to accept the consent agenda as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Babcock.

Mr. Snyder referred to the applications peddler/solicitor. Mr. Snyder commented he noticed they are from a reputable company Slomin's, so the individuals will be coming to homes, they are not from the area. Mr. Snyder wanted to make the public aware they would be representing Slomin's going door to door. Mr. Snyder commented they haven't filled out the application completely. He noticed all five that made this application paid all fees but the vehicle that is going to be used is the same vehicle in all the applications but yet it leaves out one particular item which is the license plate. Mr. Snyder commented he would like to have that looked into.

Mr. Limon made a motion to approve the consent agenda of December 9, 2014, with the 5 Applications for peddler/Solicitor pulled off with additional information to be provided. Seconded by Mr. Babcock

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Limon, Martinez, Snyder, Zschack, Babcock, Giordano

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Giordano referred to the issue with Recreation. In the future an easy way to brace the controversy that is involved in the use of the kitchen would be for Recreation to have a little more money in the budget to have the people that run the kitchen to be able to attend those things [classes] so they can run the kitchen so we all don't have to worry as volunteers. The costs would be minimal, if we add an extra \$200 into the budget, have that specifically allocated for the people that will work in the kitchen area.

Mayor Crowley commented he thinks that is a good idea.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approval of the Minutes

Mr. Zschack made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes for November 25, 2014. (Absent: None) Seconded by Mr. Babcock.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Limon, Martinez, Snyder, Zschack, Babcock, Giordano

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Introduction Ordinance #12-2014 Refunding Bond Ordinance

Mr. Zschack made a motion to introduce an ordinance entitles "REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,500,000 REFUNDING BONDS OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN, IN THE COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY". Seconded by Mr. Snyder.

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Mr. Limon commented on looking at other Bond Councils.

Mayor Crowley commented this is done at the beginning of the year.

Mr. Limon commented he thinks we are rushing into this.

Mayor Crowley commented this should be done before December 31, at this point we [the Borough] can save a lot of money by doing this.

Mr. Snyder commented that company has all the information. Mr. Snyder asked Mr. Limon if that was his concern.

Mr. Limon commented he feels we are rushing into this, it is the end of the year.

Mr. Ursin commented he understands Mr. Limon's point, but you have to make sure you are aware that you went out and hired a financial consultant so you have the benefit of the CFO, you went out and hired a financial expert who assists Municipalities with these things and the benefit of your regular Bond Council. Mr. Ursin commented he thinks with the three of those people working on this project the concern about rushing into it and you could say you want to defer to next year that's your prerogative. Mr. Ursin commented but I don't think you would be concerned with rushing into it in December.

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Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Martinez, Snyder, Zschack, Babcock, Giordano

Nays: Limon Absent: None Abstentions: None

Resolution 2014-91 Transfer of Appropriations

Mr. Zschack made a motion to adopt resolution 2014-91 Transfer of Appropriations in the amount of \$13,000. Seconded by Mr. Limon.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Limon, Martinez, Snyder, Zschack, Babcock, Giordano

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Construction Department Shared Service Agreement

Mr. Zschack made a motion to approve a Construction Department Shared Service Agreement between the Township of Hardyston and the Borough of Franklin beginning January 1, 2015 ending December 31, 2018. Seconded by Mr. Giordano.

Mr. Kilduff explained the contract to the Council and gave the Council some background regarding the Construction Department shared service agreement in the past.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Limon, Martinez, Snyder, Zschack, Babcock, Giordano

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Discussion on Franklin Pond Recreation Area Improvements

At this time there was a discussion regarding the Franklin Pond Recreation Area Improvements referencing Thomas Knutelsky's letter dated November 6, 2014.

Mayor Crowley commented Mr. Martinez had asked this to be put on the agenda. Mr. Martinez is afraid the pond projects will get lost and not get done.

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Mr. Martinez commented it got lost and doesn't want it to get lost again.

Mayor Crowley asked the Council if anyone was opposed to these projects at this point.

Mayor Crowley commented as far as he can see no one is opposed to this project the only thing is how to fund it. What we need to do is meet with the financial officer and talk about more specifics on how to fund it, going out to bid, where these are going to get funded (line items). Then come back to the Council with the actual funding so we can talk about the funding for next year. Mayor Crowley commented on the maintenance, all these projects are fine but the maintenance of it. An example for you right now is the helicopter pad. The helicopter pad was done by the Fireman, it was never approved by the Council, it was done by volunteers it was a wonderful project they did a great job. Now they need 5 to 13 thousand dollars to maintain it. It is up to the Council to fund that money. We will be saying the same thing for the projects at the pond. Mayor Crowley suggested to find out what the maintenance would be from Mr. Knutelsky, right now all the maintenance is done by the one DPW. The priorities of the DPW are water and sewer, roads, maintenance of our buildings and last thing recreation. Mayor Crowley commented to keep that in mind, work with Monica [CFO] get the figures, figure out how to finance it and we'll go forward.

Mr. Martinez referred to the plan he had previous submitted. Mr. Martinez commented it did have a lot of that covered, we did cover maintenance at that point in time. Mr. Martinez commented he understands the priorities we [recreation] shouldn't be last to be honest that is the main [place] for this town.

Mayor Crowley commented he agrees with you but he thinks the DPW has to do the other things first. I'm not saying they should ignore it but it is not the highest priority. We don't have a parks department. We need to get more specific, not just keep talking about it.

**ADDENDUM**

Mayor Crowley commented resolution 1 through 6 have to do with Statewide Insurance we have a representative from Statewide.

Mr. Ursin commented Mr. Messerschmitt is from D & H. Mr. Ursin commented if you are satisfied with reappointing the risk manager and then joining the same insurance fund than all six could be handled at one time.

The Clerk commented it is one through five.

Mayor Crowley commented he would need a motion to approve items on the addendum one through five.

Mr. Zschack made a motion to approve items 1 through 5. [listed below] Seconded by Mr. Giordano.

1. Resolution 2014-80 to Join (Renew the Statewide Insurance Fund)

Resolution 2014-80 to join (renew) the Statewide Insurance Fund for the period of three years with the effective dates from January 1, 2015 to January 1, 2018.

2. Statewide Insurance Fund Indemnity & Trust Agreement

The Statewide Insurance Fund Indemnity and Trust Agreement for the Borough of Franklin continuing membership until January 1, 2018.

3. Resolution 2014-81 Statewide Insurance Fund Appointing Fund Commissioner

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Resolution 2014-81 appointing James Kilduff, Administrator, as the fund commissioner for the Local Unit for the year 2015 and Darlene Tremont, Confidential Secretary to the Administrator for the Local Unit for the year 2015.

4. Resolution 2014-82 Appointing Risk Management Consultant

Resolution 2014-82 appointing Wayne Dietz - Skylands Risk Management Inc. is Local Risk Management Consultant and the Borough Administrator authorized representative of the public entity and Risk Management Consultant are here by authorized to execute the Risk Management Consultant Agreement for the year 2015.

5. Risk Management Consultant's Agreement

The 2015 Fund Year Statewide Insurance fund Risk Management Consultant's Agreement.

Paul Messerschmitt from D & H stepped forward for the discussion. Mr. Messerschmitt explained they work for the Borough. Mr. Messerschmitt recommended the Borough renew with Statewide again based on what we have seen with other joint insurance funds.

There was a discussion on the 2.9 increase over last year, that is a lower increase if the Borough went with another fund.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Limon, Martinez, Snyder, Zschack, Babcock, Giordano

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Resolution 2014-92

Mr. Snyder made a motion to adopt resolution 2014-92 authorizing the acceptance of credit card payments and electronic fee transfers for the satisfaction of certain Municipal Charges and Authorizing the execution of a contract with Nationwide Payment Solution LLC and Municipay LLC for payment processing services. Seconded by Mr. Limon.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Limon, Martinez, Snyder, Zschack, Babcock, Giordano

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Resolution 2014-93

Mr. Snyder made a motion to adopt resolution 2014-93 authorizing the acceptance of electronic fee transfers and for the satisfaction of certain Municipal charges and authorizing the execution of a contract with Municipay LLC. with SAGE payment solutions for payment processing services. Seconded by Mr. Limon.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Limon, Martinez, Snyder, Zschack, Babcock, Giordano

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Approval of New State Firemen's Association Membership Application

Mr. Snyder made a motion to approve the application for membership of Steven Knebl Jr. 7 Highpoint Circle, Franklin to the Franklin Fire Department as recommended by Jeffrey Snyder, Franklin Fire Department Chief.

Mr. Ursin stated Mr. Snyder read the motion but he is going to recuse himself from that one. It is a good practice to have someone else make that motion.

Mr. Giordano commented he will make the motion. Seconded by Mr. Zschack.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Martinez, Zschack, Giordano

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: Limon, Snyder, Babcock

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Mr. Snyder made a motion to adjourn into closed executive session to discuss matters of personnel. Motion seconded by Mr. Giordano.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Limon, Martinez, Snyder, Zschack, Babcock, Giordano

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

After meeting in closed session, the Governing Body returned to their seats at 9:40p.m. and Mayor Crowley declared the meeting to be reconvened into open public session.

Mr. Zschack was not present.

**MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further items for discussion by the Mayor and Council, Mr. Babcock made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:41p.m., seconded by Mr. Martinez. All were in favor.

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Paul B. Crowley, Mayor

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Robin Hough, Borough Clerk