

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX**

**RESOLUTION 2020-31**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO PROCESS  
THIRD QUARTER "ESTIMATED" TAX BILLS, DUE AUGUST 1, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, in light of the disruption caused by the coronavirus outbreak, the State delayed the adoption of the State Fiscal Year 2021 Budget to September 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) cannot certify State Aid allocations to municipal budgets until State Aid Appropriations are known; and

**WHEREAS**, the DLGS cannot approve municipal budgets and the County Board of Taxation cannot certify taxes until long after the June 30, 2020 deadline to process third quarter tax bills due August 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, without an adopted 2020 Municipal Budget and without a 2020 Certified Tax Rate, the Tax Collector cannot process the final 2020 Tax Levy; and

**WHEREAS**, the DLGS "*strongly recommends*" under Local Finance Notice 2020-07 "*that municipalities prepare to issue estimated property tax bills for 2020;*" and

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer, computed and certified an estimated Tax Levy necessary to bill third quarter taxes due August 1, 2020 using 3.5% of the 2019 Tax Levy; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Franklin in the County of Sussex and State of New Jersey on this 12h day of May, 2020 that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to process estimated tax bills for the third quarterly installment of 2020 taxes at an estimated rate of 3.927; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, the third quarterly installment of 2020 taxes shall not be subject to interest until the later of August 10, 2020 or the twenty-fifth (25) calendar day after the date the estimated tax bills were mailed. The estimated tax bills shall contain a notice specifying the date on which interest may begin to accrue.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**CERTIFICATION:** I, Darlene J. Tremont hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Franklin, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey, at a meeting held on April 28, 2020.

  
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Darlene J. Tremont, Municipal Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CONCETTO FORMICA	X			
JOSEPH LIMON		X		
JOHN POSTAS	X			
STEPHEN SKELLENGER	X			
GILBERT SNYDER		X		
STEPHAN ZYDON JR.	X			
MAYOR SOWDEN (Tie Only)				