

REGULAR AGENDA
FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING
BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN,
HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 46 MAIN STREET
FRANKLIN, NEW JERSEY AT 7:00 P.M. ON
NOVEMBER 26, 2024

- A. **Mayor Sowden** will call the meeting to order; Clerk will call the roll.
- B. **Mayor Sowden** will invite all present to salute the flag.
- C. **Mayor Sowden** will state that "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et sequentes. It has been properly advertised by posting in Borough Hall, and printed in the New Jersey Herald/Sunday New Jersey Herald on January 7, 2024, and posted on the Borough website, which adequate notice has been certified by the Clerk."
- D. **PRESENTATIONS**
There are no presentations this evening.
- E. **COMMITTEE REPORTS: Mayor Sowden** will allow each member of the Council, Borough Administrator, Borough Clerk, and Borough Attorney to present their respective committee report.

Mayor Sowden will offer the Mayor's Report.

- F. **OPEN PUBLIC SESSION: Mayor Sowden** will request a motion to open the meeting to the public, for any questions or comments concerning the good and welfare of the Borough. **All comments should be directed to the Mayor and kept to a 3-minute maximum per person.**

After giving all persons present an opportunity to address the Governing Body, **Mayor Sowden** will request a motion to close the meeting to the public and return to the regular order of business.

- G. **CONSENT AGENDA: Mayor Sowden** will request that all persons present review the consent agenda. If any member of the Council or public wishes an item on the consent agenda to be discussed and considered separately, a motion to this effect shall so be made, at this time.

After all persons have had an opportunity to review the consent agenda and offer requests for changes, Mayor Sowden will request a motion to approve the consent agenda.

- H. **OLD BUSINESS:**

- I. **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Approval of the Minutes** for the regular meeting minutes for November 12, 2024. (Absent: Mayor Sowden)
2. **Resolution 2024-118** authorizing to hire a new Borough of Franklin Police Officer.
3. **Resolution 2024-119** authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for appointing iParametrics as Grant Writer.
4. **Resolution 2024-120** authorizing the hiring of a full-time laborer for the Department of Public Works Water Sewer Division.
5. **Resolution 2024-121** authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign certificate 2022-022.

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6. Resolution 2024-122 authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign certificate 2022-023.
7. Resolution 2024-123 authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign certificate 2022-024.
8. Resolution 2024-124 implementing water conservation.
9. Resolution 2024-125 for settlement of 2010 outstanding taxes owed on Block 2102 Lot 10 QFARM (Formally Block 64 Lot 61.01) and Block 2101 Lot 3.01 QFARM (Formally Block 63 Lot 2.07).
10. Franklin Quilters Request to approve the Franklin Recreation Committee Sponsored, "Franklin Quilters" request to waive the fees and to use the Senior Center for their meetings on the 3rd Saturday of every month for year 2025.
11. Hillside Estates Mobile Home Park License Renewal to approve the renewal of the 2025 Mobile Home Park License for Hillside Estates at Franklin, LLC.
12. Sussex County Hunger Coalition to approve the request to use the Senior Center on December 9, 2024 and to waive the fees associated with the rental.
13. Redevelopment Plan Review to authorize review of a redevelopment investigation for the property located at 263 Route 23, Block 1010 Lot 1.
14. Discussion on Cork Hill Road Grant

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION – IF REQUESTED

Mayor Sowden will request a motion to adopt a resolution to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss certain items excluded from the public.

THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ALLOWS THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC FROM A PORTION OF A MEETING IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES,

- ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN, THAT THE PUBLIC SHALL BE EXCLUDED FROM DISCUSSION OF MATTERS ALLOWED BY NEW JERSEY LAW.

THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES WILL BE PLACED ON FILE IN THE BOROUGH CLERK'S OFFICE, AND WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AS PROVIDED FOR BY NEW JERSEY LAW.

Be further advised this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

- K. MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS: **Mayor Sowden** will allow each member of the Governing Body to offer any miscellaneous comments which they may have at this time.

- L. ADJOURNMENT: **Mayor Sowden** will request a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**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
NOVEMBER 12, 2024**

Council President Heath 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: Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Formica, Mrs. Heath, Mr. Limon, Mr. Skellenger, Mr. Snyder.

Absent: Mayor Sowden

Council President Heath led the assembly in the flag salute.

Council President Heath requested a moment of silence for Retired Police Lieutenant Louis Sweller, who passed away on Sunday.

Council President Heath stated "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et sequentes. It has been properly advertised by posting in Borough Hall and printed in the New Jersey Herald/Sunday New Jersey Herald on January 7, 2024, and posted on the Borough website, which adequate notice has been certified by the Clerk."

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations for tonight's meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Limon had nothing to report.

Mrs. Carnes commented that she is trying to schedule an EDC meeting. The tree lighting at the pond will take place Saturday, November 30th at 5pm, there will be Santa and hot cocoa.

Mr. Snyder commented that he only has the items that are already on the agenda.

Mr. Formica commented that the fire department has been busy with the fire here and are helping with the fire in Greenwood Lake. Mr. Formica thanked the fire department for all they do.

Mr. Skellenger commented that there was a finance meeting to go over budget items with the fire department.

Mr. Spidaletto thanked the Council President, the council as well as Darlene, Colleen and the others in the office.

Mr. Ursin had nothing to report.

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. Skellenger. All were in favor.

Elaine Tizzano stepped forward. Ms. Tizzano thanked the Council for their support during the Facing Addiction Annual Walks. Center for Prevention is a great organization.

Joanne Tatka stepped forward. Ms. Tatka questioned the resolution on the wells and asked if anyone has been monitoring them.

Mr. Spidaletto commented that we have been monitoring the wells; this is just going to be an upgrade of the equipment that is out there.

Ms. Tatka asked who does Nelson Tree Service work for. Congrats to recreation on the various functions that they held this year. Ms. Tatka questioned the salary for the road supervisor and questioned the extension of premises resolution. Ms. Tatka asked what the administrators' salary is and asked where he previously worked.

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Mr. Spidaletto commented that his salary is \$125,000 and he previously work for Hopatcong Borough and was a long time employee in Sparta Township.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Sowden 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. 2024 Abstract of Ratables
2. SCMUA FY2025 Proposed Rate Schedule Effective December 1, 2024

REPORTS (ACCEPTANCE FOR FILING OF THE FOLLOWING):

1. DPW Report – September 30 – October 4
2. Board of Health Report – September 2024
3. Animal Control Report – April 2024- October 2024
4. Municipal Court Report – October 2024
5. COH Report – October 2024
6. Permit List – October 2024
7. Permit Summary Report – October 2024
8. Permit Activity Report – October 2024

APPLICATIONS (APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING):

1. Special Event Request from Elaine Tizzano and Mary Burns, for their 11th annual walk in conjunction with the Center for Prevention and Counseling to be held on August 2, 2025, to bring awareness and treatment for substance use disorder.

RESOLUTIONS (APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING):

1. Resolution 2024-117 authorizing a budget transfer in the amount of \$57,170.00
2. Payment of bills for the meeting of November 12, 2024.

Mr. Skellenger made a motion to approve the consent agenda of November 12, 2024 with the removal of PO #37977. Seconded by Mrs. Carnes.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Mr. Formica made a motion to approve PO #37977. Seconded by Mrs. Carnes.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: Skellenger

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business for tonight's portion of the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of the Minutes

Mr. Skellenger made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes for October 22, 2024. (Absent: None) Seconded by Mrs. Carnes.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Resolution 2024-111

Mr. Skellenger made a motion to adopt resolution 2024-111 authorizing the award of a required disclosure contract with Neal Systems Incorporated for the Department of Public Works. Seconded by Mr. Formica.

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Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Resolution 2024-112

Mr. Formica made a motion to adopt resolution 2024-112 providing service weapon to retired Sergeant Rafael Burgos in recognition of his dedicated service to the Borough. Seconded by Mr. Skellenger.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Resolution 2024-113

Mrs. Heath made a motion to adopt resolution 2024-113 appointing Colleen Little as Municipal Clerk and Registrar for the Borough of Franklin amending the effective date to November 16, 2024. Seconded by Mr. Limon.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Resolution 2024-114

Mr. Snyder made a motion to adopt resolution 2024-114 authorizing the hiring of a road division superintendent in the Department of Public Works further authorizing the execution of an employment agreement. Seconded by Mr. Skellenger.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Resolution 2024-115

Mr. Skellenger made a motion to adopt resolution 2024-115 place to place transfer – extension of premises for Liquor License #1906-33-010-008, Franklin Grill and Tavern. Seconded by Mrs. Carnes.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Resolution 2024-116

Mrs. Carnes made a motion to approve resolution 2024-116 appointing a Municipal Housing Liaison. Seconded by Mr. Skellenger.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

DPW Salary Step Increase

Mr. Limon made a motion to approve a DPW salary step increase for Andrew Burd to Grade Step 10 \$30.46/hr., as per the DPW contract, effective November 16, 2024 as recommended by Brian VanDenBroek, DPW Director. Seconded by Mr. Snyder.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

DPW Salary Step Increase

Mr. Snyder made a motion to approve a DPW salary step increase for Matt Kuperus to Grade Step 8 \$27.47/hr., as per the DPW contract, effective November 16, 2024 as recommended by Brian VanDenBroek, DPW Director. Seconded by Mr. Limon.

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Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Limon, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: None

Approval of NJ State Firemen's Association Membership Application

Mr. Formica made a motion to approve the application for membership of Austin Covert, 44 Shady Lane Apt. 6x, Hamburg, as Firematic member to the Franklin Fire Department as endorsed by Corey Houghtaling, Franklin Fire Department Assistant Chief. Seconded by Mr. Skellenger.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Carnes, Formica, Heath, Skellenger, Snyder

Nays: None Absent: None Abstentions: Limon

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

Mr. Formica asked a question regarding the water main break. We had 3 DPW employees come in for overtime along with the water department and we ended up outsourcing the repair. Previous repairs were always done in house; why was this time outsourced.

Mr. Spidaletto commented that he will look into that.

Mr. Snyder asked if there were any updates on the line striping.

Ms. Tremont commented that she received an email from Stefanie and they have to get three quotes.

Mr. Formica commented that he met with Stefanie at the Municipal Parking Lot and we reviewed options that would be a cost savings.

Mr. Snyder asked if there was an update on the basketball court. The company did a temporary striping and will be back in the spring to do the permanent striping.

Mr. Limon asked how the election day went.

Mrs. Heath commented that this is Darlene's last official meeting and would like to publicly thank you for your wonderful job.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items for discussion by the Mayor and Council, Mr. Limon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:26p.m., seconded by Mr. Snyder. All were in favor.

Rachel Heath, Council President

Darlene J. Tremont, Municipal Clerk

Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex

Resolution #2024-118

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY AUTHORIZING TO HIRE A NEW BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN POLICE OFFICER

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has recently authorized a conditional offer of employment to hire a new Police Officer in the Franklin Borough Police Department on April 29, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Police Chief Cugliari informed the Borough Council the conditional offer of employment was accepted by Jonathan Sienkiewicz and he has successfully passed all required testing and completed all phases of the selection process; and

WHEREAS, Police Chief Cugliari recommends Jonathan Sienkiewicz be appointed a Police Recruit as of January 1, 2025 at which time he will attend the Morris County Public Safety Training Academy; and

WHEREAS, Jonathan Sienkiewicz will be paid an annual salary of \$30,000 per the current collective bargaining agreement.

WHEREAS, after completing the Basic Course for Police Officers and graduating from the police academy, Jonathan Sienkiewicz will be appointed a full-time sworn law enforcement officer and placed at step Patrolman 1; and

WHEREAS, Jonathan Sienkiewicz will be formally sworn-in at a future Mayor and Council meeting to be determined.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex and State of New Jersey that Jonathan Sienkiewicz is hereby appointed a Police Recruit as of January 1, 2025, at the annual salary of \$30,000.

CERTIFICATION: I, Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Franklin, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey at a regular meeting held on November 26, 2024.

Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
PATRICIA CARNES				
CONCETTO FORMICA				
RACHEL HEATH				
JOSEPH LIMON				
STEPHEN SKELLENGER				
GILBERT SNYDER				
MAYOR SOWDEN (Tie Only)				

Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex

Resolution #2024-119

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR & OPEN CONTRACT FOR APPOINTING IPARAMETRICS AS GRANT WRITER

WHEREAS, The Borough of Franklin has a need for Grant Research and Writing Consulting Services; and

WHEREAS, iParametrics, whose address is 6515 Shiloh Road, Suite 200, Alpharetta, GA 30005 specializes in all aspects of the procurement of grants for the Borough of Franklin through the Morris County CO-OP under contract #20-155; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby desires to appoint and execute the Contract with iParametrics that was presented for the provision of said services at an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00 for services rendered by the grant writer; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Franklin desires to authorize the Mayor to sign said contract on behalf of the Borough of Franklin.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of Franklin, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the contract with iParametrics on behalf of the Borough of Franklin, and all other appropriate Borough professionals are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all steps necessary to effectuate the purposes of said contract.

CERTIFICATE OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Michelle LaStarza, Certified Municipal Financial Officer of the Borough of Franklin, hereby certify, pursuant to NJSA 40A:9-140.1, et seq. and NJAC 5:30.4, that the funds are available to the Borough of Franklin for calendar year 2024 through General Admin Consulting. Account to be charged 01-201-20-100-042.

Michelle LaStarza, CFO

CERTIFICATION

I, Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting held on the 26th day of November 2024.

Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
PATRICIA CARNES				
CONCETTO FORMICA				
RACHEL HEATH				
JOSEPH LIMON				
STEPHEN SKELLENGER				
GILBERT SNYDER				
MAYOR SOWDEN (Tie Only)				

Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex

Resolution #2024-120

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A FULL TIME LABORER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WATER SEWER DIVISION

WHEREAS, the Borough of Franklin currently has a vacancy for a full-time laborer in the Department of Public Works Water Sewer Division;

WHEREAS, interviews were conducted and Phillip Grieco was selected as the preferred candidate to fill the vacant position in the Department of Public Works Water Sewer Division;

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Brian VanDenBroek recommends hiring Phillip Greico as Full Time Probationary Laborer at Step-9 \$30.46 per hour;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Franklin that the Borough Administrator is authorized to hire Phillip Greico as a full-time Step-9 Laborer in the Department of Public Works Water Sewer Division at the rate of \$30.46 per hour, conditioned upon a successful background check, physical and drug test;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Franklin that the employment position approved herein is with employee benefits and other non-wage compensation.

CERTIFICATION: I, Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Franklin, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey at a regular meeting held on November 26, 2024.

Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk

Dated: November 26, 2024

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
PATRICIA CARNES				
CONCETTO FORMICA				
RACHEL HEATH				
JOSEPH LIMON				
STEPHEN SKELLENGER				
GILBERT SNYDER				
MAYOR SOWDEN (Tie Only)				

Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex

Resolution #2024-121

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR & CLERK TO SIGN CERTIFICATE 2022-022

WHEREAS, on property 113 Munsonhurst Road also known as Block 2702, Lot 14 Tax Lien was struck off to the Borough on December 6, 2022;

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has received the funds necessary to redeem this certificate.

WHEREAS, the cancellation of the certificate requires the original signatures of the Clerk and Mayor and be affixed with the Municipal Seal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and council of the Borough of Franklin that the Mayor and Clerk endorse the back of the original certificate and the Municipal Seal be affixed to same.

CERTIFICATION: I, Colleen L. Little, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Franklin at a meeting held in the Franklin Municipal Building at 46 Main Street at 7:00 PM on the date of November 26th, 2024.

Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
PATRICIA CARNES				
CONCETTO FORMICA				
RACHEL HEATH				
JOSEPH LIMON				
STEPHEN SKELLENGER				
GILBERT SNYDER				
MAYOR SOWDEN (Tie Only)				

Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex

Resolution #2024-122

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR & CLERK TO SIGN CERTIFICATE 2022-023

WHEREAS, on property 111 Munsonhurst Road also known as Block 2702, Lot 15 Tax Lien was struck off to the Borough on December 6, 2022;

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has received the funds necessary to redeem this certificate.

WHEREAS, the cancellation of the certificate requires the original signatures of the Clerk and Mayor and be affixed with the Municipal Seal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and council of the Borough of Franklin that the Mayor and Clerk endorse the back of the original certificate and the Municipal Seal be affixed to same.

CERTIFICATION: I, Colleen L. Little, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Franklin at a meeting held in the Franklin Municipal Building at 46 Main Street at 7:00 PM on the date of November 26th, 2024.

Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
PATRICIA CARNES				
CONCETTO FORMICA				
RACHEL HEATH				
JOSEPH LIMON				
STEPHEN SKELLENGER				
GILBERT SNYDER				
MAYOR SOWDEN (Tie Only)				

Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex

Resolution #2024-123

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR & CLERK TO SIGN CERTIFICATE 2022-024

WHEREAS, on property 109 Munsonhurst Road also known as Block 2702, Lot 16 Tax Lien was struck off to the Borough on December 6, 2022;

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has received the funds necessary to redeem this certificate.

WHEREAS, the cancellation of the certificate requires the original signatures of the Clerk and Mayor and be affixed with the Municipal Seal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and council of the Borough of Franklin that the Mayor and Clerk endorse the back of the original certificate and the Municipal Seal be affixed to same.

CERTIFICATION: I, Colleen L. Little, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Franklin at a meeting held in the Franklin Municipal Building at 46 Main Street at 7:00 PM on the date of November 26th, 2024.

Colleen L. Little, Municipal Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
PATRICIA CARNES				
CONCETTO FORMICA				
RACHEL HEATH				
JOSEPH LIMON				
STEPHEN SKELLENGER				
GILBERT SNYDER				
MAYOR SOWDEN (Tie Only)				

Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex

Resolution #2024-124

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN IMPLEMENTING WATER CONSERVATION

WHEREAS, the Governor of New Jersey and DEP commissioner declared a drought warning on November 13, 2024;

WHEREAS, the State has been experiencing historically low precipitation and water supply conditions;

WHEREAS, the State has experienced an unprecedented number of wildfires;

WHEREAS, the Borough intends to respond to these unprecedented conditions by urging residents to conserve water until the drought warning is lifted;

WHEREAS, the Borough strongly encourages residents to conserve water by reducing all nonessential use of water;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Franklin that all nonessential use, including, but not limited to, the sprinkling of lawns, the washing of cars, filling of pools or hot tubs, be prohibited from the hours of 11 A.M. through 6 P.M. each and every day, seven days per week.

Specifically exempt from the foregoing regulations are commercial car washes, power washing businesses, and contractors who use water in daily work such as masons and contractors using water to test newly constructed water lines.

Commercial nurseries/garden centers may use water every day except between the hours of 11 A.M. and 6 P.M.

The above regulations will be effective until the drought warning is lifted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these restrictions are superseded by any NJ State Water Restrictions that may be implemented.

CERTIFICATION

I, Colleen L. Little, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Franklin, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey at a meeting of said Governing Body held on November 26, 2024.

Colleen L. Little, Borough Clerk

Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex
Resolution #2024-124

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
PATRICIA CARNES				
CONCETTO FORMICA				
RACHEL HEATH				
JOSEPH LIMON				
STEPHEN SKELLENGER				
GILBERT SNYDER				
MAYOR SOWDEN (Tie Only)				

NOT YET APPROVED BY COUNCIL