

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD
REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, August 11, 2020**

MINUTES

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

Mayor Carney read the following statement: Notice of this meeting has been sent to a newspaper of general circulation in which notice was given of the date, time, place and general agenda in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. This agenda is subject to change by order of the Township of Frankford Committee before and/or during this scheduled meeting.

ROLL CALL

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Carney. Present were Mayor Carney, Committeeman Castimore, Committeeman Civitan, Committeeman Risdon. Committeeman Ayers was not in attendance.

The **FLAG SALUTE** was conducted by Mayor Carney.

FRANKFORD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL BUDGET UPDATE – Braden Hirsch, Superintendent of the Frankford Township School District, and Christopher Lessard, BA, presented the budget for the upcoming school year, the affect of State Aid on the budget, and measures being taken to open the school during COVID-19.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

1. July 14, 2020 – Regular Committee Meeting
2. July 14, 2020 – Executive Session Meeting

A motion was made by Committeeman Castimore to approve the July 14, 2020 Regular Committee Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes, seconded by Committeeman Risdon. All in favor. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **RESOLUTION 2020-043 – Temporary Outdoor Dining (Revised)**
2. **RESOLUTION 2020-052 - LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL** – Skyland’s, Bud’s, American Legion, Blue Ribbon, Palroll Inc.
3. **RESOLUTION 2020-053 – Person-To-Person Liquor License Transfer** – Manning to M&P
4. **RESOLUTION 2020-054 – Municipal Alliance Grant 2021**
5. **RESOLUTION 2020-055 – Reappointing Acting Municipal Clerk**
6. **RESOLUTION 2020-056 – Canceling Tax Sale Certificate 2020-012**
7. **RESOLUTION 2020-058 – Authorizing Executive Session**
8. **RESOLUTION 2020-059 – Refunding Tax Sale Certificate 2019-018 Which Was Redeemed**

A motion was made by Committeeman Castimore to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Committeeman Civitan. Roll Call Vote – Aye: Committeeman Castimore, Committeeman Civitan, Committeeman Risdon, and Mayor Carney. With all ayes and no nays, Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2020-060 - Authorizing Redemption in Installments - Tabled

Attorney Benbrook provided a brief history on Scandia Spa with regard to negotiations and their current request for partial payment options. He is suggesting that the Committee table Resolution 2020-060 until he receives insight from the attorney for Scandia Spa on what direction their client would like to take.

RESOLUTION 2020-061 – Opposing The Termination of the Send-Receive Agreement Between the Montague Board of Education and the High Point Regional Board of Education

A motion was made by Committeeman Castimore to approve Resolution 2020-061, seconded by Committeeman Civitan. Roll Call Vote – Aye: Committeeman Risdon, Mayor Carney, Committeeman Civitan, and Committeeman Castimore. With all ayes and no nays, Motion carried.

ANNUAL AUDIT

Resolution 2020-057 – Governing Body Certification of the Annual Audit

A motion was made by Committeeman Castimore to approve Resolution 2020-057, seconded by Committeeman Risdon. All in favor. Motion carried.

Corrective Action Plan Approval – 2019 Annual Audit

A motion was made by Committeeman Castimore to accept the Corrective Action Plan Approval – 2019 Annual Audit, seconded by Committeeman Risdon. All in favor. Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2020-007 – AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF HILL LANE

A motion was made by Committeeman Castimore to introduce Ordinance 2020-007 on First Reading, seconded by Committeeman Civitan. Roll Call Vote – Aye: Committeeman Castimore, Committeeman Risdon, Mayor Carney, and Committeeman Civitan. With all ayes and no nays, motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION

ORDINANCE 2020-005 - AN ORDINANCE TO RENAME NEW STREET TO NEW WAY

A motion was made by Committeeman Risdon to open the Public Hearing, seconded by Committeeman Castimore. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Richard Fellippello – 18 New Street - Raised the issue with updating GPS and mapping apps
- Barbara Cardinal – 9 New Street – Spoke regarding changing name and importance for first responders, servicemen and deliveries.
- Michael Crowell - 17 New Street – Explained he has also had multiple issues regarding giving directions to his home.

A motion was made by Committeeman Castimore to close from public comment, seconded by Mayor Carney. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Committeeman Castimore to approve and adopt Ordinance 2020-005, seconded by Committeeman Civitan. Roll Call Vote – Ayes: Mayor Carney, Committeeman Castimore, Committeeman Civitan, and Committeeman Risdon. With all ayes and no nays, Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you note from Mr. Lorenzo read by Committeeman Castimore.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A motion was made by Committeeman Civitan to open to public comment, seconded by Committeeman Castimore. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Richard Ferlauto - 49 Mountain Avenue – Would like to vacate the road behind his property on Walnut Avenue.
- Attorney Benbrook suggests that Mr. Ferlauto and his neighbor, Mr. Chiariello, reach out to Bill Haggerty, Esq. and Harold Pellow's office to obtain a title search and survey and adjust between their deeds.
- Roy Chiariello - 44 Mountain Avenue – inquired regarding the Committee's philosophy about vacating paper roads at Culver's Lake; whether it is case by case or not. Mr. Benbrook replied that it is case by case.
- Stanley Van den Heuvel – 81 Lower North Shore Road – Submitted maps for the lower portion of Hill Lane where he and Ralph Smith are adjacent property owners, for the purpose of potential vacation.
- Ralph Smith – Lower North Shore Road – stated he is not opposed to the vacation of lower Hill Lane, but he is not requesting it. He questioned if the road were vacated if there should be an easement for possible drainage issues. Mr. Risdon suggested that Township Engineer, Harold Pellow, perhaps address that when he visits the site.
- Paul Suphten – 82 Lower North Shore Road – Discussed water issues on Upper North Shore and mentioned that when he was on the Township Committee, the Committee authorized \$25,000.00 to look at developing a study, and he thinks that Harold Pellow may have some information regarding said study.
- Ralph Smith – President, Normanoch Association – Stated that in 1995 the Normanoch Association sent a letter to the Committee formally opposing any vacation of the lake shore. He will have Normanoch craft a new letter if the previous one cannot be located.

A motion was made by Committeeman Risdon to close from public comment, seconded by Committeeman Civitan. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Carney – Normanoch Association requested a portion of the August 25, 2020 workshop meeting with the be dedicated to discussing stormwater management strategies.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Animal Control Officer Report – July 2020
2. DPW Report – July 2020
 - Mark Yetter has requested that Mr. Benbrook generate the bid specs for the new DPW truck so that Ms. Nienstedt can advertise. Mr. Benbrook stated that if Mr. Yetter goes the co-op route then the Township does not have to go out for bids.
 - A motion was made by Committeeman Civitan to go out to bid for a new DPW truck, seconded by Committeeman Risdon. All in favor. Motion carried.
3. Tax Collector's Report – July 2020
4. Zoning Report – July 2020
5. Treasurer's Report – July 2020

TOWNSHIP CLERK REPORT

- A blood drive has been scheduled for August 20th at the American Legion. More details to follow.
- There will be Township Committee Workshop regarding Stormwater Management on August 25, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
- A motion was made by Committeeman Risdon to have Ms. Nienstedt advertise the Construction Official position, seconded by Committeeman Civitan. All in favor. Motion carried.
- A motion was made by Committeeman Risdon to approve Keith Whitehead to work as temporary Recycling Center Supervisor at a rate of \$16.23 per hour, seconded by Committeeman Civitan. Roll Call Vote – Ayes: Committeeman Castimore, Committeeman Risdon, Mayor Carney, Committeeman Civitan. With all ayes and no nays, motion carried.

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY REPORT

The Union representative stated that the Park Foreman position should be bargainable, where the Union would have input to negotiate the salary. The Township employee in the position is fine with the current way the position is established. Mayor Carney stated that the shop steward should be addressing this. Mr. Benbrook stated he would reach out to Jon Frato, the shop steward.

Regarding the Perry House, Mr. Benbrook stated that the rent monies should be placed in the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Mayor Carney – Park – There has not been a response to get water for Field 9. Mayor Carney spoke of a recent accident on Lower North Shore and Mattison Roads. A letter was received from Allison McCurry about the volume of accidents there, and after speaking with Dawn Fantasia, the County will proceed with a study.

BILLS LIST APPROVAL

A motion was made by Committeeman Civitan to approve the bills list, seconded by Committeeman Castimore. Roll Call Vote – Ayes: Mayor Carney, Committeeman Castimore, Committeeman Civitan, Committeeman Risdon. With all ayes and no nays, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Committeeman Civitan to move into Executive Session, seconded by Committeeman Risdon. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made to exit Executive Session and come into open meeting by Committeeman Risdon, seconded by Committeeman Castimore. All in favor. Motion carried.

SUMMARY OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Attorney Benbrook reported that a brief discussion with Fire Official, Bernie Kotchkowski, for purposes of a general update on operations during COVID-19.

The Branchville reservoir was discussed. Attorney Benbrook will be responding to the latest correspondence from Branchville's attorney.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Committeeman Civitan to adjourn, seconded by Committeeman Castimore.
All in favor. Motion carried.

ATTEST: _____

Lori Nienstedt, Acting Municipal Clerk
Administrator

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD
SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-043
(REVISED)**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY OUTDOOR DINING

WHEREAS, since March 15, 2020, restaurants in Frankford Township have been greatly impacted due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order No. 104 which limited restaurants to providing take-out food only, and on June 3, 2020, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order No. 150 which provided for the ability of restaurants to open outdoor dining for food and beverage consumption, including alcoholic beverages, subject to municipal approval; and

WHEREAS, the Frankford Township Committee wishes to provide relief to those restaurants being impacted by COVID-19 by allowing temporary outdoor seating in accordance with Executive Order No. 150.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Frankford Township Committee, in the County of Sussex, State of Jersey, hereby approves in-person service by all food and beverage establishments within the Township at contiguous outdoor areas under the possession and control of the owner or licensee of the food and beverage establishment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all tents, planters, tables, chairs, lights and all other temporary structures, furniture and fixtures erected and utilized in furtherance of outdoor dining authorized herein be and hereby are deemed to be conforming, permitted uses, and any and all fees for any municipal permit are waived with respect thereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all holders of liquor licenses with retail consumption privileges are hereby approved for an ABC COVID-19 Expansion of Premises Permit, in accordance with the rules and regulations established by the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, and the Township Clerk be and hereby is authorized to endorse any such application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all food and beverage establishments within the Township that wish to incorporate the use of outdoor dining must continue to follow the rules and regulations set forth by Governor Murphy, the New Jersey Department of Health's Executive Directive 20-014, as the same may be amended from time to time, the Sussex County Department of Health, as well as all other applicable local, state and federal laws; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the total number of seats/customers at one time must not exceed the total permitted restaurant capacity and must not impede pedestrian circulation, parking, or the public right-of-way; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, restaurants may display one temporary sign to notify the public of dining options and restrictions so long as the signage does not interfere with public safety; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that outdoor dining permitted by this Resolution shall be permitted to commence at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, June 15, 2020 and shall extend through November 30, 2020.

CERTIFICATION

I, Lori Nienstedt, Administrator and Acting Municipal Clerk for the Township of Frankford, County of Sussex, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the Resolution revised by the Frankford Township Committee on August 11, 2020.

Lori Nienstedt, Administrator, Acting Municipal Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION 2020-052

LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL

WHEREAS, the following Liquor Licenses are to be renewed effective October 1, 2020 for period ending June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, all necessary fees and documentation have been properly filed with the Frankford Township Municipal Clerk; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following Liquor Licenses shall be renewed effective October 1, 2020:

1905-33-004-008	BUD'S BAR & LIQUORS, INC.
1905-31-012-002	PVT PETER S. HOTALEN POST 157 AMERICAN LEGION
1905-33-009-011	SKYLAND EVENTS, LLC.
1905-33-002-002	PALROLL INC

I hereby certify the above to be a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Frankford Township Committee on August 11, 2020.

Lori Nienstedt, Administrator
Acting Municipal Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION 2020-053

**PERSON TO PERSON PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER
FROM MANNING LIQUORS, INC., COMMONLY KNOWN AS KENT LIQUORS,
PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE NUMBER 1905-44-011-005 TO M&P
FAMILY LIQUORS, LLC.**

WHEREAS, an application for a person to person transfer of the Plenary Retail Distribution Liquor License #1905-44-011-005 currently held by Manning Liquors, Inc. aka Kent Liquors has filed for a person to person transfer to M&P Family Liquors, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the application submitted is completed in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Frankford, that Plenary Retail Distribution Liquor License #1905-44-011-005 is hereby transferred to M&P Family Liquors, LLC.; and

FURTHER FRESOLVED, that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

CERTIFICATION

I, Lori Nienstedt, Administrator and Acting Municipal Clerk for the Township of Frankford, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the Resolution adopted by the Frankford Township Committee on August 11, 2020.

Lori Nienstedt, Administrator, Acting Municipal Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION 2020-054**

Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

Fiscal Grant Cycle FY2021

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Township Council of the Township of Frankford, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore, has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Sussex;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Frankford, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Township Council does hereby authorize submission of a revised strategic plan for the Central Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2021 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$ 2,251.00
Cash Match	\$ 563.00
In-Kind	\$ 1,689.00

2. The Township Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

APPROVED: _____
Chris Carney, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Lori Nienstedt, Administrator and Acting Municipal Clerk of the Township of Frankford, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly authorized by the Township Council on this 11th day of August, 2020.

Lori Nienstedt, CMR, Administrator, Acting Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD
SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION #2020-055

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING ACTING MUNICIPAL CLERK PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A 40A: 9-133

WHEREAS, commencing on September 24, 2019, Lori Nienstedt was appointed to serve as Acting Municipal Clerk, with the appointment continuing through September 23, 2020: and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:9-133(c) within 90 days of the occurrence of a vacancy in the office of municipal clerk by reason of the departure of a registered municipal clerk, the governing body may appoint a person who does not hold a registered municipal clerk certificate to serve as Acting Municipal Clerk, for a period not to exceed one year, commencing on the date of the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, Lori Nienstedt has the qualifications to serve as the Acting Municipal Clerk, has served as the Acting Municipal Clerk since her appointment, and the Township Committee seeks to extend her appointment.

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs approves the appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of Frankford Township in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that Lori Nienstedt is hereby reappointed to serve as Acting Municipal Clerk commencing on September 24, 2020 and continuing through September 23, 2021, pending the approval of the NJ Department of Community Affairs.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Frankford, Sussex County, State of New Jersey at a regular meeting held on August 11, 2020.

Lori Nienstedt, Administrator
Acting Municipal Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION 2020-056

RESOLUTION CANCELING TAX SALE CERTIFICATE 2020-012

WHEREAS, the property of KT NY Group, LLC known as block 55, lot 2 located at 31 Sharp Road had unpaid 2019 property taxes and was sold at Tax Sale on 30 January 2020 by the Frankford Township Tax Collector; and

WHEREAS, as there were no outside bidders for the abovementioned property, the Frankford Township Tax Collector struck off the property to the Township of Frankford for the amount of \$3,620.06. This amount consists of unpaid 2019 property taxes, interest, and other costs, and is represented by Tax Sale Certificate 2020-012; and

WHEREAS, Accumatch, representing KT NY Group, LLC, the supposed owner of the property, paid \$6,417.10 on 16 July 2020 to the Frankford Township Tax Collector to satisfy the outstanding Tax Sale Certificate and current taxes:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Frankford on this 11th day of August 2020 that the Mayor of the Township of Frankford be authorized to sign Tax Sale Certificate 2020-012 as being satisfied; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector return the executed satisfied Tax Sale Certificate to Accumatch at 2711 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1065 located in Dallas, TX 75234.

CERTIFICATION

I, Lori Nienstedt, Administrator and Acting Municipal Clerk of the Township of Frankford, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council at a meeting held on August 11, 2020.

Date

Lori Nienstedt, Administrator
Acting Municipal Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION 2020-057

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40a:5-4 requires the governing body of every unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2019 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant and with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A .40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6-5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall, by resolution, certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations"; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed, as a minimum, the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations", as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C .5:30-6-5; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provision of the R.S. 52:27BB-52 to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of the local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the Director (Director of Local Government Services), under provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of Frankford Township, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6-5 and does hereby submit a

certified copy of the resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

Approved: August 11, 2020

On a roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

Committeeman Castimore:	YES
Committeeman Civitan:	YES
Committeeman Risdon:	YES
Deputy Mayor Ayers:	YES
Mayor Carney:	YES

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the resolution adopted by the Township Committee of Frankford Township at their meeting held on the 11th day of August, 2020.

Lori Nienstedt, Administrator
Acting Municipal Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION 2020-059

**REFUNDING TAX SALE CERTIFICATE 2019-018
WHICH WAS REDEEMED**

WHEREAS, the property owned by Horace Goodrich, known as block 258 lot 7 located at 67 Plumer Road had unpaid 2018 property taxes and was sold at a Tax Sale held on 31 January 2019 by the Frankford Township Tax Collector; and

WHEREAS, Fedigan, LLC of 474 Mary Allen Way in Mountainside, NJ 07092 was the successful bidder of the above stated property. The amount of the Tax Sale consisted of unpaid 2018 property taxes, interest, and other costs, and totaled \$3,499.23 and is represented by Tax Sale Certificate 2019-018; and

WHEREAS, Cornerstone Title & Settlement, LLC, representing the buyers of the property, paid \$9,677.13 on 04 August 2020 to the Frankford Township Tax Collector to satisfy the outstanding Tax Sale Certificate 2019-018, subsequent taxes, and current taxes:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Frankford on this 11th day of August 2020 that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to draw a check payable to Fedigan, LLC in the amount of \$12,376.76 which includes the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2019-018 of \$8,876.76 and the return of a \$3,500.00 tax sale premium.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector return the executed satisfied Tax Sale Certificate to Cornerstone Title & Settlement, LLC at 33 Trinity Street located in Newton, NJ 07860.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Township of Frankford, In the County of Sussex, New Jersey, at a meeting held on August 11, 2020.

Lori Nienstedt, Administrator
Acting Municipal Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKFORD
SUSSEX COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-061

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE TERMINATION OF THE
SEND-RECEIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MONTAGUE BOARD OF
EDUCATION AND THE HIGH POINT REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, the Township of Frankford is part of the High Point Regional School District and as such has an interest in the financial implications implicit in the Township of Montague's Petition to Terminate its send-receive agreement with the District; and

WHEREAS, as set forth in the Answer to the Petition filed by the High Point Regional Board of Education, approval of Montague's Petition would have a substantial negative impact on the financial condition of the High Point Regional School District resulting in the loss of in excess of \$1.4 million of revenue and the corresponding need for the District to raise its tax levy by more than 10% in order to offset the lost revenue, should the Petition be granted; and

WHEREAS, High Point has experienced a significant decrease in State aid that has already necessitated a significant increase in the tax levy to Frankford Township residents while at the same time necessitating staff layoffs and reduced educational programming at the High School, to the detriment of Frankford Township's students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Frankford Township Committee, in the County of Sussex, State of Jersey, hereby opposes the Petition of the Township of Montague Board of Education to sever its send-receive agreement based upon the substantial financial detriment approval of the Petition would have upon the budget of the High Point Regional School District and upon the Township of Frankford's taxpayers that would have to absorb the additional tax levy necessitated in order to offset the lost revenue; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be submitted to the Commissioner of Education via email to ControversiesDisputes@doe.nj.gov; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be submitted to the Montague Board of Education via email to TCapone@montagueschool.org.

CERTIFICATION

I, Lori Nienstedt, Administrator and Acting Municipal Clerk for the Township of Frankford, County of Sussex, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the Resolution adopted by the Frankford Township Committee on August 11, 2020.

Lori Nienstedt, Administrator, Acting Municipal Clerk