

REGULAR MEETING

The Franklin Township Committee held their regular monthly meeting at 7:00 pm on Monday, May 03, 2010. Mayor Mark Blaszkas opened the meeting in accordance with the "Open Public Meeting Act" Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 having been duly advertised and a copy posted in the office of the Township Clerk.

Present were: Mayor Mark Blaszkas, Bonnie Butler, Jeffrey DeAngelis, Joe Flynn, Michael Toretta, Denise L. Cicerelle, Municipal Clerk, Michael Finelli, Municipal Engineer, Brian Tipton, ESQ, Municipal Attorney, Roger Bulava, Recycling, Raymond Read, OEM, Anthony Ardito, Municipal Auditor.

Following the flag salute the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 5th, 2010 were accepted on motion by Jeffrey DeAngelis, and seconded by Michael Toretta, all in favor. Executive Session Meeting Minutes of April 5th 2010 were accepted on motion by Bonnie Butler, and seconded by Jeffrey DeAngelis, all in favor.

The first order of business Mayor Blaszkas opened the hearing for the **2010 Municipal Budget**, for the Township of Franklin, County of Warren, State of New Jersey. Anthony Ardito was present for any questions. On motion by Jeffrey DeAngelis and seconded by Bonnie Butler to open the public hearing with a unanimous vote.

Hearing no questions or comments from the public or committee a motion by Bonnie Butler and seconded by Michael Toretta to close the Public Hearing of the 2010 Municipal Budget.

INTRODUCTION/ADOPTION OF:

The following **Resolution 2010-62** was presented for Introduction/Adoption.

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN COUNTY OF WARREN STATE OF NEW JERSEY

A RESOLUTION 2010-62

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.40A:4-78b has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C.5:30-7 was adopted by the Local Finance Board on February 11, 1997; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C.5:30-7.2 thru 7.5 the Township of Franklin has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local Government Services, and the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the Township of Franklin meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2010 budget year, so now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin that in accordance with N.J.A.C.5:30-7.6a & b, and based upon the Chief Financial Officer's certification, the governing body has found the budget has met the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:
 - a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
 - b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures

- c. Cash deficit of preceding year
 - d. Reserve for uncollected taxes
 - e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
 - f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school purposes
2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:45.2 and appropriations for exceptions to limits on appropriations found at 40A:4-45.3 et seq. are fully met. (Complies with the "CAP" law.)
 3. That the budget is in such form, arrangement and content as required by the Local Budget Law and N.J.A.C.5:30-4 and 5:30-5.
 4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:
 - a. All estimates of revenue are reasonable, accurate and correctly stated;
 - b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth;
 - c. In itemization, form, arrangement and content, the budget will permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.
 5. The budget and associated amendments have been introduced, publicly advertised and adopted in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of N.J.S.A.40A:4-5, shall not prevent such certification.
 6. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

On motion by Jeffrey DeAngelis and seconded by Joe Flynn the aforesaid **Resolution 2010-62** be adopted as read.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained		
Bonnie Butler	X				
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X				
Joe Flynn	X				
Michael Toretta	X				
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X		(5) Yes	(0) Absent	Motion Carried

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby certified that this is a true and accurate copy of a Resolution adopted by the governing body of the Township of Franklin at a meeting held on May 3, 2010.

Witness my hand and the SEAL of the Township of Franklin.

Denise L. Cicerelle
Municipal Clerk

Certification of Approved Budget

It is hereby certified that the Approved Budget complies with the requirements of the law and approval is given pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:4-78(b) and NJAC 5:30-7.

It is further certified that the municipality has met the eligibility requirements of NJAC 5:30-7.4 and 7.5, and that I, as Chief Financial Officer, have completed the local examination in compliance with NJAC 5:30-7.6.

Dated: May 3, 2010

BY: _____
Dawn Stanchina
Chief Financial Officer

Final Reading/Adoption of the 2010 Municipal Budget.

On motion by Jeffrey DeAngelis and seconded by Michael Toretta.

Roll Call Vote:	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes	(0) Absent Motion carried

New Jersey State Police present with a stat sheet as to Franklin Township as follows:

(2) 911 Hang ups, (12) Alarms, (2) Fire Calls, (6) Medical Assist, (1) Domestic Abuse, (1) Harassment Complaint, (2) Property Damage Complaints, (1) Theft, (3) Well Being Checks, (22) Community Police Checks, (1) Verbal Dispute, (266) Motor Vehicle Stops.

PUBLIC HEARING and CONSIDERATION

The following **Ordinance 2010-6** was presented for Final Reading/Adoption

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN
ORDINANCE NUMBER: 2010-6**

**AN ORDINANCE ENABLING THE MAYOR TO DECLARE
VARIOUS LEVELS OF SNOW EMERGENCIES**

MOTION: To open Public Hearing by Bonnie Butler, seconded by Jeffrey DeAngelis.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes	(0) Absent (0) Abstained
Motion Carried			

PUBLIC COMMENTS: no public comments noted.

MOTION: To close Public Hearing by Jeffrey DeAngelis, seconded by Bonnie Butler.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes	(0) Absent (0) Abstained
Motion Carried			

On motion by Committeeman Jeffrey DeAngelis and seconded by Committeeman Joe Flynn the
aforenoted **Ordinance 2010-6** be adopted at final reading.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstain
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes (0) Absent	Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING and CONSIDERATION

The following **Ordinance 2010-7** was presented for Final Reading/Adoption

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN
ORDINANCE NO. 2010-7**

**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW
JERSEY, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN TO CHANGE THE NAME OF NEW
STREET TO AUDREY LANE**

MOTION: To open Public Hearing by Jeffrey DeAngelis, seconded by Michael Toretta.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes (0) Absent (0) Abstained	
Motion Carried			

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: As per Raymond Read, OEM only one Audrey Ct. and that is located in Southern, New
Jersey. Karen Chiu commented that her mother, Audrey is thrilled of the name change.**

MOTION: To close Public Hearing by Bonnie Butler, seconded by Michael Toretta.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes (0) Absent (0) Abstained	
Motion Carried			

On motion by Committeeman Jeffrey DeAngelis and seconded by Committeeman Joe Flynn the
aforenoted Ordinance 2010-7 be adopted.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstain
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes (0) Absent	Motion carried

FIRST READING/INTRODUCTION

ORDINANCE 2010-8
Amendment Salary Ordinance

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that;

Purpose of Ordinance Amendment

Ordinance 2010-1 of the Township of Franklin is hereby amended by adding therefrom the following to Section 2:

DAY LABORER \$18/HOUR

Ordinance 2010-1 of the Township of Franklin is hereby amended by deleting therefrom the following from Section 2:

SITE MANAGER \$2,200.00

That this Ordinance shall remain in effect for the remainder of the 2010 year. That said Ordinance will be presented for final reading and adoption at a public meeting to be held on June 7th, 2010 at the hour of 7:00 p.m. following publication in the Star-Gazette.

On motion by Bonnie Butler and seconded by Joe Flynn to approve at first reading the aforementioned Ordinance 2010-8.

Roll Call Vote:	Yes	No	Absent/abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes (0) Absent	Motion carried

Dated: May 3, 2010

The following Resolution 2010-57 was presented for First Reading/Adoption

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT FORM
OF RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION 2010-57

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

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2009 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant 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 provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a 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 the 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 the Township of Franklin, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

On motion by Michael Toretta and seconded by Bonnie Butler the aforesaid **Resolution 2010-57** be adopted as read.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE MEETING HELD ON May 3, 2010.

Municipal Clerk

Dated: May 3, 2010

NO PHOTO COPIES OF SIGNATURES

STATE OF NEW JERSEY COUNTY
OF WARREN

We, members of the governing body of the Franklin Township Committee, in the County of Warren, being duly sworn according to law, upon our oath depose and say:

1. We are duly elected members of the Franklin Township Committee of the Township of Franklin in the county of Warren;
2. In the performance of our duties, and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, we have familiarized ourselves with the contents of the Annual Municipal Audit filed with the Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6 for the year 2009;
3. We certify that we have personally reviewed and are familiar with, as a minimum, the

sections of the Annual Report of Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations.

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(L.S.)	(L.S.)
(L.S.)	(L.S.)
(L.S.)	(L.S.)
(L.S.)	(L.S.)

Clerk

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
_____Day of

Notary Public of New Jersey

The Municipal Clerk (or Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders as the case may be) shall set forth the reason for the absence of signature of any members of the governing body.

IMPORTANT: This certificate must be sent to the Bureau of Financial Regulation and Assistance, Division of Local Government Services, P.O. Box 803, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

The following **Resolution 2010-58** was presented for First Reading/Adoption

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-58

WHEREAS, Royal Tax Lien Services, LLC holds Tax Sale Certificate #08-0~ and has paid subsequent taxes on Block 12 Lot 3 and,

WHEREAS, the property owner has redeemed this lien,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Committee authorize the Tax Collector to refund the sum of \$ 8,208.20 to Royal Tax Lien Services, LLC, 179 Washington Lane, Jenkintown. PA 19046.

On motion by Jeffrey DeAngelis and seconded by Bonnie Butler the aforesaid **Resolution 2010-58** be adopted as read.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE MEETING HELD ON May 3, 2010.

Municipal Clerk

Dated: May 3, 2010

The following **Resolution 2010-59** was presented for First Reading/Adoption

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN
COUNTY OF WARREN
RESOLUTION NO. 2010-59**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY IN REGARD TO CERTIFICATION OF THE LOCAL TAX LEVY FOR THE WARREN HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Warren Hills Regional School District presented to the voters, at the annual School Election held on April 20, 2010, a question concerning the tax levy requirements for the said Board of Education for current

expenses and capital outlay, designated as the General Fund, in the amount of \$19,037,698; and

WHEREAS, the voters of Franklin Township rejected the current expense and capital outlay budget designated as the General Fund, by a vote of 135 Yes votes and 335 No votes; and

WHEREAS, the total votes cast of the four municipalities comprising the Warren Hills Regional School District rejected the current expense and capital outlay budget, designated as the General Fund by a total vote of 1068 Yes votes and 1745 No votes; and

WHEREAS, the same Warren Hills Regional School Board of Education transmitted an official copy of the rejected current expense and capital outlay budget designated as the General Fund and documentation to the Township Committee of the township by April 22, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Franklin have reviewed information on the current expense and capital outlay budget, designated as the General Fund as submitted by the said Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, a joint meeting of the mayors (or designated representatives) of the four municipalities was held on April 26, 2010, to discuss the current expense and capital outlay budget, designated in the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, careful consideration has been given to the information received from the Board of Education, with a view toward providing a thorough and efficient system of education in the school system of the Warren Hills Regional School District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The tax levy amount of \$19,037,698 on the ballot was rejected by the voters for the General Fund (base budget);

The Mayor and Township Committee has determined that the rejected General Fund is above the maximum T & E budget and that a reduction of \$500,000 will not adversely affect the Board of Education’s ability to meet the thoroughness and efficiency standard as set forth in N.J.A.C. 6:19-5.5(a)(3). Therefore, the Mayor and Township Committee hereby reduce the General Fund tax levy by \$500,000. It is recommended that such reductions come from the following line-item accounts:

Account No.	Account	Reduction
12-000-400-450	Roof replacement	\$ 50,000
12-000-261-730	Maintenance Equipment	20,000
11-190-100-610	School Supplies	30,000
11-402-100-500	Athletics-purchase services	30,000
11-000-100-562	Tuition-special education	50,000
11-000-216-320	Speech OT/PT	10,000
11-000-218-104	Guidance-salary	10,000
11-000-219-600	CST Supplies	5,000
11-000-240-103/104	School Admin. salaries	30,000
11-000-240-500	School Admin.-purchase serv.	20,000
11-000-230-100	Gen. Admin. salaries	20,000
11-000-270-161	Salaries-pupil transport	20,000
11-190-100-106	Other salaries for instruction	40,000
11-140-100-101	Salaries for teachers	165,000

In consideration of these reductions, the tax levy will be adjusted as follows:

\$19,037,698	presented to the voters
\$ 500,000	above reductions
\$18,537,698	certified tax levy amount

- 2. The Mayor and Township Committee hereby certifies that the amount of the tax levy herein above certified by this Municipal Government for the General fund (base budget) is sufficient to provide a thorough and efficient system of education for the Warren Hills Regional School District.
- 3. The aforementioned tax levy herein certified by the Township of Franklin for the base budget exceeds the local share required by the Comprehensive Educational Improvement and Financing Act of 1996.
- 4. The Township Clerk of the Township of Franklin is directed to certify no later than Wednesday, May 19, 2010, to the Warren County Board of Taxation, the Warren County Superintendent of Schools, the Warren Hills Regional School District Board of Education, the Franklin Township Tax Assessor, the Division of Local Finance of the Department of the Treasury of the State of New Jersey, and to any other parties required by law to receive such certification, that the amount of \$18,537,698 is necessary to be raised by taxation for General Fund revenues (District tax levy); a proportionate amount of which shall be included in the taxes to be raised, levied and collected in this Township for current expense and capital outlay, designated as General Fund set forth herein, for the Warren Hills Regional School District; and copies of this Resolution, to be executed by the Mayor and Township Clerk, shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk of the persons and/or departments named herein, for certification purposes.

On motion by Michael Toretta and seconded by Joe Flynn the aforementioned **Resolution 2010-59** be adopted as read.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried

ATTEST:

Township Committee of the
Township of Franklin

Denise L. Cicerelle, Municipal Clerk

Mark Blaszk, Mayor

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin at its regular meeting held on May 3, 2010.

Denise L. Cicerelle, Municipal Clerk

Dated: May 3, 2010

The following **Resolution 2010-60** was presented for First Reading/Adoption

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN
COUNTY OF WARREN
RESOLUTION NO. 2010-60**

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY IN REGARD TO CERTIFICATION OF THE LOCAL TAX LEVY FOR THE FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Franklin Township School District presented to the voters, at the annual School Election held on April 20, 2010, a question concerning the tax levy requirements for the said Board of Education for current expenses and capital outlay, designated as the General Fund, in the amount of \$3,802,850; and

WHEREAS, the voters of Franklin Township rejected the current expense and capital outlay budget designated as the General Fund, by a vote of 163 Yes votes and 310 No votes; and

WHEREAS, the same Franklin Township School Board of Education transmitted an official copy of the rejected current expense and capital outlay budget designated as the General Fund and documentation to the Township Committee of the township by April 22, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Franklin have reviewed information on the current expense and capital outlay budget, designated as the General Fund as submitted by the said Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, a meeting with the mayor (or designated representatives) was held on April 27, 2010, to discuss the current expense and capital outlay budget, designated in the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, careful consideration has been given to the information received from the Board of Education, with a view toward providing a thorough and efficient system of education in the school system of the Franklin Township School District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The tax levy amount of \$3,802,850 on the ballot was rejected by the voters for the General Fund (base budget);

The Mayor and Township Committee has determined that the rejected General Fund is above the maximum T & E budget and that a reduction of \$40,000 will not adversely affect the Board of Education’s ability to meet the thoroughness and efficiency standard as set forth in N.J.A.C. 6:19-5.5(a)(3). Therefore, the Mayor and Township Committee hereby reduce the General Fund tax levy by \$40,000. It is recommended that such reductions come from the following line-item accounts:

Account No.	Account	Reduction
11-213-100-106	Aide Salaries	\$ 17,700
11-000-291-270	Benefits	12,300
11-190-100-610	Supplies	10,000

In consideration of these reductions, the tax levy will be adjusted as follows:

\$ 3,802,850	presented to the voters
\$ 40,000	above reductions
\$ 3,762,850	certified tax levy amount

- The Mayor and Township Committee hereby certifies that the amount of the tax levy herein above certified by this Municipal Government for the General fund (base budget) is sufficient to provide a thorough and efficient system of education for the Franklin Township School District.
- The aforementioned tax levy herein certified by the Township of Franklin for the base budget exceeds the local share required by the Comprehensive Educational Improvement and Financing Act of 1996.
- The Township Clerk of the Township of Franklin is directed to certify no later than Wednesday, May 19, 2010, to the Warren County Board of Taxation, the Warren County Superintendent of Schools, the Franklin Township School District Board of Education, the Franklin Township Tax Assessor, the Division of Local Finance of the Department of the Treasury of the State of New Jersey, and to any other parties required by law to receive such certification, that the amount of \$3,762,850 is necessary to be raised by taxation for General Fund revenues (District tax levy); a proportionate amount of which shall be included in the taxes to be raised, levied and collected in this Township for current expense and capital outlay, designated as General Fund set forth herein, for the Franklin Township School District; and copies of this Resolution, to be executed by the Mayor and Township Clerk, shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk of the persons and/or departments named herein, for certification purposes.

On motion by Mike Toretta and seconded by Bonnie Butler the aforementioned Resolution 2010-60 be adopted as read.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried

ATTEST:

Denise L. Cicerelle, Municipal Clerk

Mark Blaszk, Mayor

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin at its regular meeting held on Monday, May 3, 2010.

Municipal Clerk
Dated: May 3, 2010

Denise L. Cicerelle,

The following **Resolution 2010-61** was presented for First Reading/Adoption

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-61

WHEREAS, John R. LaFlamme, LLC holds Tax Sale Certificate #08-14 and has paid subsequent taxes on Block 56 Lot 37.17 and,

WHEREAS, the property owner has redeemed this lien,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Committee authorize the Tax Collector to refund the sum of \$ 18,509.69 to John R. LaFlamme, 9 Lisa Court, Oxford, NJ 07863.

On motion by Bonnie Butler and seconded by Jeffrey DeAngelis the aforesaid **Resolution 2010-61** be adopted as read.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE MEETING HELD ON May 3, 2010.

Denise L. Cicerelle,
Municipal Clerk

Dated: May 3, 2010

DISCUSSIONS/APPROVALS:

Off Premises 50/50 Raffle, 10/10/10 (PTA Franklin Township, RA2010-5)

On motion by Jeffrey DeAngelis and seconded by Michael Toretta the aforesaid **Raffle, RA2010-5** be approved.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried
Bingo, 10/10/10 (PTA Franklin Township, BA2010-1)			

On motion by Bonnie Butler and seconded by Jeffrey DeAngelis the aforesaid Bingo, **BA2010-1** be approved.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried

On Premises 50/50 Raffle, various dates (Lions Club Franklin Township-Warren Cty, RA2010-6)

On motion by Michael Toretta and seconded by Jeffrey DeAngelis the aforesaid **Raffle, RA2010-6** be approved.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried

A list of Stale Checks were received by Chief Financial Officer, Dawn Stanchina, a motion to cancel outstanding check balances and send it to the current fund as miscellaneous revenues, ranging from 1/31/2007 to 2/27/2009.

On motion by Jeffrey DeAngelis and seconded by Michael Toretta to cancel outstanding checks as per list given by Chief Financial Officer.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried

Municipal Alliance 2010 County Contract

On motion by Jeffrey DeAngelis and seconded by Bonnie Butler to authorize the mayor to execute said contract.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried

Purchase of Leavens Development Easement, Blocks 57, Lot 1 and Lot 34

Beth Barry of the Open Space Commission and Bob Canace of The Land Conservancy were present. Mr. Canace explained to the committee that Lot 34 has an exception of a 1 acre house and Lot 1 includes an exception for 2 acre commercial. These 2 Lots are all one farm and can not be broken up. Mr. Canace will provide a final draft of the Contract for the committee to review and act on at the next township meeting June 7th.

REPORTS/UPDATES/DISCUSSIONS

Open Space

Beth Barry commented as to the commission there was no meeting last month and had nothing further to report.

Committeeman Toretta would like to see the committee send a letter of support, as to the Dual Appraisal for valuation of properties at pre-Highlands Act Value. Mr. Canace will address this matter at the next Open Space Meeting with a Resolution of support.

OEM

Working on the CWPP project with the State of New Jersey as to a plan of disaster, Mr. Read will bring a more detailed plan at next month’s meeting.

RECYCLING

Klein Recycling, recommended by Committeeman Toretta, is willing to come to our Spring Clean Up with two 30 yard containers to service our metal recyclables. They would pay us \$120 per gross ton of light iron and will provide us with a digital certified weight ticket with payment. Sanico will still do the trash component of the clean up. Mr. Bulava will confirm with Sanico as far as the cost adjustment to their proposal since they will not be needed to provide us with metal roll offs.

On motion by Jeffrey DeAngelis and seconded by Joe Flynn to utilize Klein for the light iron scrap metal at \$120 per gross ton.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes(0) Absent	Motion Carried

ZONING

Not present.

Presentation by SSP for roof/building repairs

Emily Hammer and Jay Perantoni were present from SSP to give an overview of the findings of their analysis of the roof/building leaks. A slide show was given to show the evaluation of the moisture penetration to the building, walls and roof and the fixes that can be done as to an energy saving standpoint, grants available to help facilitate the cost.

Exterior Envelope Investigation

1. Roof drains well
2. Infrared Thermal Scan investigation showing trapped water
3. Panels overlap and rusting
4. Metal coping trim not sufficiently overlapping masonry
5. Plumbing vents on roof are a location of severe leaks
6. Stained ceiling tiles/odor/sagging

Exterior Wall Analysis

1. Most absorbent rated, extremely high rate of water absorbtion
2. Rusting in vestibule
3. Northern facade, scan shows masonry walls, discoloration, water absorption, high heat loss
4. Rust/Cracking range of deterioration of masonry units
5. Gutter system real problem

Observation

1. Roof replacement candidate and re-insulation
2. Replace windows
3. Metal Coping
4. Lintels
5. Deficiencies in walls warrant re-construction or re-cladding

Roof Recommendations

1. Patch job
2. New standing seam and insulation
3. Tear off asphalt and insulation

Wall Recommendations

1. Repair/seal
2. Repair/re-clad with dryvit
3. Repair/re-clad with hardy plank

Opportunity for renewable energy offsets and rebates available and solar renewable energy credits. Committee Flynn to look into bonding for this project and also as to when our BAN comes up for renewal. Engineer Finelli addressed the new bathrooms for the Community Center advising that there should be no real impact on the existing septic and no change in the use of the building.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Report on file. Further discussion to ensue in Executive Session.

ENGINEER REPORT –

Safe Routes to School Grant – There is a delay in the eventual bidding, federal authorization is required, this should be shortly.

Willow Grove Road – Solicited 3 companies for seam repair. Only received 2 quotes as follows:

Harmony Paving - \$7,000
Laymans Contracting - \$8,255

Mr. Finelli recommends we go with the quote from Harmony Paving.

On motion by Bonnie Butler and seconded by Jeffrey DeAngelis to award the job to Harmony Paving in the amount of \$7,000.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta		X	
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(4) Yes (1) No (0) Absent	Motion Carried

Transportation Enhancement Grant – Bid Opening on April 22nd, for Asbury Historical Sidewalk Improvements, no bids were submitted. Mr. Finelli is requesting that we advertise for bids in the Express-Times.

On motion by Joe Flynn and seconded by Jeffrey DeAngelis to re-advertise the bid in the Express-Times.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes (0) No (0) Absent	Motion Carried

1. THIRD STREET DRAINAGE PROBLEMS

- As authorized by the Committee, our office sent a Highlands Applicability Determination (HAD) application to the Highlands Council to receive formal authorization to construct the project. Unfortunately, the Township’s HAD application was denied by the Highlands Council as it did not meet the requirements to be classified as one of the Qualified Exemptions.
- Our office previously prepared and submitted a “Pre-Application” package for review by the NJDEP. Nevitt Duveneck attended a meeting on October 4, 2007 with various NJDEP representatives including John Moyle, Division of Dam Safety and Lou Cattuna, Land Use Regulation. Nevitt Duveneck will continue to coordinate with both John Moyle and Lou Cattuna. We were notified by Lou Cattuna that in order for

the project to proceed forward, an application to SHPO must be made in order to receive a "Project Authorization."

- Our office submitted the required SHPO application (refer to separate correspondence dated December 13, 2007). Our office then forwarded a follow-up correspondence to the Warren County Morris Canal Committee in answer to questions they raised in their review of the project.
- On December 22, 2008, our office contacted the Warren County Morris Canal Committee Chairman, Dave Detrick as well as, Greg Sipple to coordinate a field meeting to review the scope of work and discuss any concerns they may have regarding the project. As previously reported, we are optimistic that the project can move forward into the design phase once the required property is secured by the Township.
- On January 13, 2009, our office met with the Warren County Morris Canal Committee to discuss the project. Subsequently, we received a correspondence from the Committee which supports the project to utilize the canal as a detention structure. The next phase would involve negotiations with the property owner, the Chiu's, to purchase the canal property or seek an easement on the property for the construction work necessary to develop the proposed detention basin. In the past, we have had only marginal success in discussing the project with the Chiu's.
- The Township recently executed an extension to the original grant agreement for an additional period of three (3) years to expire on August 31, 2012.
- Nevitt Duveneck and I previously met with Mayor Blaszkowski to review a number of current Municipal projects including this project. It is our understanding that Mayor Blaszkowski will be following up on this matter in an effort to meet with Mr. Chiu to discuss acquiring the necessary parcel of property to allow this project to move forward.
- Mayor Blaszkowski met with Mr. Chiu and had a fruitful discussion regarding the project. It appears, Mr. Chiu is not interested in selling the canal bed however he would be receptive to granting a drainage easement on the canal.
- On Friday, April 23, 2010, Mayor Blaszkowski and Nevitt Duveneck met at the canal at the Thatcher Avenue crossing and performed a site inspection of the existing conditions and reviewed the limits of the proposed improvements. The Mayor will now continue his negotiations with Mr. Chiu to secure a drainage easement which will allow for the construction and maintenance, if necessary, while putting us in a position to move forward with the design work for the project.

2. TOWNSHIP WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN
(No change since last month's report)

- Our office received a copy of a letter, dated September 24, 2008, from the NJDEP, Division of Watershed Management, to Mayor Butler regarding this matter. In summary, based upon the County's decision not to assume the wastewater management planning responsibilities, the Township is now the lead entity for the wastewater management planning responsibilities for the Township. Per the recently adopted and amended Water Quality Management Planning Rules (NJAC 7:15), the municipality is responsible to submit a WMP within one (1) year from the date of the adoption of the rules which would be July 7, 2009. As previously discussed by me at recent Township Committee meetings, if a "new" Township-specific WMP would not be submitted, the Township would be subject to the withdrawal of any wastewater service area designations.
- As per the NJDEP's September 24, 2008 letter to the municipality, the NJDEP is requesting a letter from the Township which would indicate the Township's intended course of direction and WMP responsibilities. This matter has been discussed at the last few Township Committee Meetings. I attended a Highlands Council Information Session meeting on January 22, 2009 regarding Plan Conformance. At that meeting, there was an indication from Eileen Swan, Highlands Council that a potential

extension may be granted by the NJDEP to the July, 2009 submission deadline for Municipalities (within Warren County) that lie within the Highlands and have supplied a "Notice of Intent to Conform." We have since received confirmation that there will be extensions granted to Highlands municipalities within Warren County. The Township has now formally requested an extension from the NJDEP, via a correspondence from our office dated June 1, 2009.

- The NJDEP has amended their requirements for Warren County municipalities relative to the submission of a "complete" WMP. We have spoken with numerous NJDEP personnel regarding the NJDEP's requirements for WMP submissions in Warren County/Highlands municipalities. The NJDEP will be accepting an "interim" WMP which is a much abbreviated and more concise WMP submission. Additionally, the NJDEP has made available a \$10,000 grant for each municipality who decides to proceed and submit an "interim" plan. Our office, with assistance from both Denise Cicerelle and Dawn Stanchina, has developed the grant application. At the August 10, 2009 Committee meeting, the Township Committee approved a Resolution which was a requirement of the submission of the grant application. Our office has forwarded the completed grant application to the NJDEP via correspondence dated August 19, 2009.
- Our office received a copy of an Agreement from the NJDEP on October 28, 2009 which must be executed by the Township in conjunction with the \$10,000 grant referenced above. The grant agreement was signed and executed by Mayor Butler and Denise Cicerelle. The agreement will enable the Township to secure the \$10,000 grant from the NJDEP for the work associated with the development of this interim WMP.
- Our office will keep the Committee updated as we proceed forward in developing the "interim" WMP. Prior to any submission of an "interim" WMP to the NJDEP, the Township Committee will need to approve same.
- Very recently, Administrative Order #2010-03 was signed by Mr. Bob Martin, NJDEP Commissioner, which extended the deadline for submitting a WMP until April 7, 2011. Until then, it is our understanding that all current wastewater service area designations will remain effective. Our office has communicated directly with our NJDEP representative, Mr. Neal Ferrari, on this project, who suggested that it would still be prudent for the Township to proceed forward with their revised/amended/updated WMP and submit same to the NJDEP in the near future to expedite the processing of same.

3. SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS GRANT APPLICATION (SRTS)

- Confirmation was received by the Township that they were successful in receiving funding in the amount of \$70,000 for the project. According to the grant guidelines, the project requires project authorization (design plan approval) by the NJDOT within two (2) years of the date of the grant award.
- The Township should be advised that there is additional administrative work required through this funding program than the typical DOT Trust Fund project (i.e. Report Item # 4).
- Our office completed the design phase and preliminary constructions plans for the project and have been coordinating with the Warren County Engineer's office prior to completing the final design on Asbury-Broadway Road.
- As a result of the lack of ROW on Bryan Road, as the project enters the Rocky Brook housing development, the proposed sidewalk could not be completed in front of the first home on the north side of Bryan Road. As a result, our office requested and received approval from the NJDOT to reduce the length of the project. Our office has developed the project bid specifications. At this juncture, we are waiting to receive Federal Authorization before moving forward to advertise and bid the project.
- In conjunction with stake-out of the proposed 10-acre recreational facility (ref. report item #5), our office has also staked out the limit of disturbance for the construction of the sidewalk off of Bryan Road.

4. 2009 NJDOT TRUST FUND APPLICATION: WILLOW GROVE ROAD, SECTION II

- The Township previously received notification of a grant allocation for Willow Grove Road Section II in the amount of \$120,000. As a result of the fact that in-place asphalt paving from independent paving contractors can result in a savings of up to \$10.00 per ton under the current MCCPC price for in-place paving, the Committee authorized our office to go “out to bid” for the project.
- The NJDOT initial 75% voucher in the amount of \$90,000 was previously submitted to the NJDOT which represented the initial reimbursement amount due the Township of Franklin.
- After coordinating with the NJDOT regarding the status of the initial NJDOT payment voucher, it appeared that they did not have a record of the voucher request forwarded by our office on September 10, 2009 in their files. In addition, the NDOT informed us that we could not close-out the project with the state until the project was closed-out with the contractor (which may not occur until spring). As a result, our office prepared a second initial 75% NJDOT voucher with the CFO signature and forwarded same onto the NJDOT for processing (refer to February 11, 2010 correspondence).
- Our office has received confirmation that the initial payment due to the Township from the NJDOT has been approved.
- Our office has prepared a Final Voucher and Change Order for the project which was detailed in our December 29, 2009 correspondence. The Committee took no action regarding authorization to approve the Voucher and Change Order. Subsequently, our office met with Mayor Blaszk and it was decided, and the contractor consented to retainage in the amount of \$20,000.00 to cover the costs of milling and paving of the defective pavement seams on the project.
- Our office has coordinated with the contractor regarding the pavement repairs and requested a \$10,000 adjustment for same as discussed with the Mayor. The contractor agreed to the \$10,000 adjustment and the Township took action to approve the final voucher for the project.
- Our office has completed the NJDOT close-out documentation and forwarded same for the final \$30,000 (25%) allocation due to the municipality.
- Our office has coordinated with three (3) paving contractors to solicit price quotes to mill and pave the unacceptable areas of the roadway. We will forward the price quotes to the municipality along with a recommendation for a contract award for this work under separate cover.

5. TOWNSHIP RECREATIONAL FIELDS COMPLEX

(No change since last month's report)

- The original concept plan had been finalized with the overall layout securing approval from the Township Recreation Subcommittee. On January 12, 2009, Greg VandeRydt from our office, along with Malia Corde and Mark Blaszk, presented the plan via a PowerPoint presentation to the public at a public information session which was attended by approximately 50± citizens. The plan was generally well received and, we believe at this juncture, the funding mechanism(s) and sources are being evaluated and pursued.
- The wetlands have been delineated by our wetlands consultant and we have developed the plan which accompanied the previously filed Letter of Interpretation (LOI) application to the NJDEP. Our office is in receipt of an approved NJDEP LOI for the project dated December 1, 2009.
- Greg VandeRydt of our office met with Mayor Blaszk and Committeeman Flynn to discuss revisions to Phase I of the proposed recreational complex. Some field layout and location changes are being evaluated and an amended Phase I plan has been

developed (please reference enclosed sketch). Mayor Blaszkas and Committeeman Flynn may wish to update the Township Committee further on this matter.

- Recently, our office performed the necessary field survey work to allow us to develop the topography of a 10-acre portion slated for the development of the initial recreational facilities (Phase I) off of Asbury-Broadway Road. In addition, our office field staked the area in question to limit the planting of crops within the area slated for development.

6. HIGHLANDS PLAN CONFORMANCE
(No change since last month's report)

- Nevitt Duveneck, Joe Nalio and I attended an informational session at the Highlands Council office in Chester, NJ on January 22, 2009. The purpose of this meeting/informational session was to advise various professionals (engineers, planners and attorneys) about the Plan Conformance process, the timeline and the Grant program associated with same. Our office will be working with Chuck McGroarty, P.P. towards the development of the various planning modules which constitute the Highlands Plan Conformance process. The intent of this program is to have all involved municipalities be in a position to make a better "informed" decision relative to whether or not they choose to "opt in" to the Highlands Regional Master Plan (HRMP) for the areas within the Planning Area of the HRMP.
- It is my understanding that Planner McGroarty has made application(s) to the Highlands for the grants associated with the Plan Conformance process. The total for this grant program is \$50,000 with a maximum upset amount of \$100,000. This grant amount would be inclusive of all seven (7) modules required in conjunction with the plan conformance process. Confirmation should be made regarding the submission of these grant applications to the Highlands Council prior to the Township incurring any additional costs. The Township should be aware that receipt of these grant monies from the Highlands does NOT obligate the Township to "opt in" to the HRMP.
- It is our understanding that Chuck McGroarty, P.P., completed the balance of the Highlands Plan Conformance process and the compilation and submission of all required documents and completed Modules and forwarded same to the Highlands Council. At this juncture, we are waiting for the Highlands Council to review and provide comment on our Module 7 submission and the Township's Petition for Plan Conformance. Our office is in receipt of a recent correspondence from the Highlands Councils indicating that our submission was determined to be administratively complete.
- The next phase of the Highlands Conformance is the development of the Fair Share Housing Plan for the municipality which is being handled Chuck McGroarty, P.P.

7. 2010 TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT APPLICATION

- The Township was originally awarded a \$76,000 grant for the project and it is being funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) through the federal government. Subsequently, the amount of the grant award was increased to \$104,770 to correspond to the additional estimated costs associated with this project.
- Additionally, as required, we met on site with the employees from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), NJDOT and the Chair and Vice Chair of the Township Historic Commission to receive their input on the project. All of their respective comments have been incorporated into the construction plans as required by the NJDOT.
- After review by the NJDOT's consultant, Greenman-Pedersen (GPI), we received final approval and "Authorization" from the NJDOT for the project.
- The project was advertised and we attended a bid opening for the project on April 22, 2010. Unfortunately, even though there were four (4) bid specifications picked up, no bids were submitted for the project.

- At this juncture, I would suggest that we re-advertise the project in the Express Times (and possibly the Star Ledger) in an effort to receive a wider distribution of the advertisement. We look to the Committee for authorization to re-bid the project.

8. TRAFFIC SPEED LIMIT ORDINANCE
(No change since last month's report)

- Our office is currently working with Attorney Tipton to prepare a revised Speed Limit Ordinance for future introduction and consideration for adoption by the municipality.

9. TILLABLE AREA REDUCTION OF TOWNSHIP PROPERTY
(No change since last month's report)

- Our office staked the non-tillable areas on the Township's property for both the limit of disturbance for the sidewalk construction on Bryan Road as well as the 10-acre area slated for the development of the Township Recreation Fields and attendant parking lots. Our office has determined that the reduction in the tillable land would be $10.0 \text{ acres} + 0.56 \text{ acres} = 10.56 \text{ acres}$.
- For your negotiations with the farmer, the entire area being tilled and planted **outside** of the Bryan Road ROW equals 58.29 acres. There is an additional ROW area on Bryan Road (the ROW is exceptionally wide towards the Rocky Brook housing development) that equals 0.44 acres that was previously being planted.
- The resultant tillable area would be $58.29 + 0.44 = 58.73 - 10.56$ (as referenced above) which results in a net tillable area equal to 48.17 acres.

10. MILLBROOK ROAD DRAINAGE PROBLEM

- At the direction of the Township Committee at the April meeting, Nevitt Duveneck met with John Kerick of 200 Millbrook Road regarding a drainage concern at his driveway along Millbrook Road. In attendance at that meeting was the DPW as well as Committeewoman Butler. According to our investigation, we observed a collapsed storm sewer pipe that crosses a driveway above Mr. Kerick's driveway. As a result of the collapsed storm sewer pipe, stormwater is not conveyed past the driveway and enters the shoulder of Millbrook Road which crosses Mr. Kerick's driveway creating "washouts" during heavy storm events. We have estimated that the cost of material to replace the storm sewer pipe would be approximately \$500 (labor would be supplied by the Township DPW). This situation should be discussed at the upcoming Committee meeting to determine the position of the Township Committee relative to the replacement of this storm sewer pipe.

11. WARREN COUNTY CO-OP BID M&R CONTRACT

- Our office received a copy of a memo, dated April 16, 2010, from Christopher J. Pessolano, QPA, Warren County Purchasing Director, to the Township. This memo was forwarded in conjunction with the Township's request for Warren County to provide an option through the Co-Op for roadway M&R (Oil & Chip). The prices received were \$2.55/gallon for oil and \$21.25/ton for 1/4" stone (furnished and delivered). The Township must decide whether or not to proceed with any roadway resurfacing (Oil & Chip) work through the Co-Op at the prices received and listed above.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Joe Flynn –

Local Government Energy Program, take advantage of grant monies. To start the application process, we need to identify facilities in the township or a direct link in our

community; such as the rescue and fire company buildings if they are feasible. A request for proposal to do audits of all buildings, from approved contractors, as to the work we want to do. There is no cost to us for a request for proposal, this will give us data to determine if we want to move forward.

A question was raised last month as to the Community Center monies coming in. There is one outstanding group, which would be approximately \$3200, October – March \$21,000 and some change. Mr. Flynn will sit down with Chris Cater, out Site Manager to streamline what we are doing in conjunction with SSP.

Michael Toretta -

Highlands Reimbursement, has any money been received to date. CFO has sent a letter to Herb August. No money has been received to date, we might want to ask Assemblyman Erik Peterson to help with the refund of these monies.

Bonnie Butler –

Road Foreman, Read to submit the street names as to where the No Engine Braking signs will be posted on County Roads. The shed on the old Smith property will be taken down. The salt shed at the road garage leaks, working on quotes. Need to identify precisely the cost of roads eligible or not eligible for grant monies or for the oil and chip program or possibly bonding. May 12th is the Tire Disposal in Oxford. Chief Read has requested the parking lot behind the fire station in Asbury be available to them for a Fire Company picnic, June 4th and 5th need to be reserved. Mr. Flynn will convey this to Chris Cater.

Jeff DeAngelis –

Two fire trucks recently broke down responding to a call, what are we doing to replace these engines. As per Chief Read, it would be best to replace one at a time, cost \$2-\$300,000 with no trade in value. The mayor will speak with Bond Counsel as to all our needs.

Also the insurance renewal figures have come in, which reflects a 17% increase. A complete break down will be given at the next meeting.

Mark Blaszkowski –

Attended Mayor's conference with a topic of S1, getting rid of COAH, a writer of the bill which is a Democrat, this is supposed to cure everything. Generally it gets rid of the idea of obligation and puts it on by needed and gets rid of the Central State Commission, everything will be done by local Planning Board and approved by the County Planning Board. S1 will be voted on May 10th unless there is an amendment. Marcia Karrow gave a report on COAH committee that she chaired. I informed her committee and the state senators that Franklin Township would not spend another dime on COAH and would rather pave a road! The whole state does agree that COAH is not doing what it was meant to do. On the subject of Property Taxes, Assemblyman a Democrat out of South Jersey is authoring a bill which will allow for a local option such as a sales tax, room occupancy tax, or local income tax. The state would lower their tax to accommodate. The Assemblyman said that you cannot trust the state with your money because an earmark is only good for two years and then it goes into the general fund. A mayor from Eatontown did an analysis and said that a consumption tax could eliminate the school tax from property taxes. The reason that this is important is that people can control consumption but cannot control property taxes and property taxes is what is driving people out of this state.

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED, on this 5th day of April, 2010, by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-1, that the Township Committee shall discuss the following matter in executive session

Brandywine Litigation/Contract Negotiations/Personnel

It is not possible at this time for the Township Committee to determine when and under what circumstances the item which is to be discussed in executive session can be publicly disclosed.

THEREFORE, be it resolved on this 3rd, day of May, 2010 by the Franklin Township Committee, that the matter stated will be discussed in executive session, said session to commence at 9:49 p.m.

On Motion by Michael Toretta and seconded by Jeffrey DeAngelis to exit to executive session. Unanimous Vote

On motion by Michael Toretta and seconded by Jeffrey DeAngelis to return to the regular session 10:33 p.m. Unanimous Vote

Site Manager’s position should be a stipend position not part of the Salary Ordinance for \$2,200 annually. Position also recommended \$30 a month reimbursement to supplement the cost for use of work on personal cell phone. Committeeman Flynn has asked Site Manager to keep track analyzing time put in with this position and the job description details. The community center rental is only a part of this position. Flynn advised there is a learning curve and we need to evaluate what needs to be done and what doesn’t need to be done.

On motion by Bonnie Butler and seconded by Michael Toretta to extend the option to the Site Manager position to submit a voucher quarterly as per stipend annual amount and \$30 a month for personal cell phone reimbursement for business use.

ROLL CALL VOTE	YES	NO	ABSENT/ABSTAINED
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes (0) Absent	Motion Carried

On motion by Bonnie Butler and seconded by Michael Toretta to pay bill list as presented by the CFO, eliminate the check made out to Sam Santini, for refund of farming on old Smith property, needs to be re-issued at .56 acres. Will advise CFO to re-issue this for next month bill list.

ROLL CALL VOTE	YES	NO	ABSENT/ABSTAINED
Bonnie Butler	X		
Jeffrey DeAngelis	X		
Joe Flynn	X		
Michael Toretta	X		
Mayor Mark Blaszk	X	(5) Yes (0) Absent	Motion Carried

On motion by Michael Toretta and seconded by Jeffrey DeAngelis, hearing no objection, meeting stands adjourned at 10:40 pm. Unanimous Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise L. Cicerelle
Municipal Clerk