

REGULAR AGENDA
FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING
BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN,
HELD VIRTUALLY AT 7:00 P.M. ON
JANUARY 12, 2021

- 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 6, 2021, 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. **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.

- G. **OLD BUSINESS:**

- H. **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Approval of the Minutes**

A motion is in order to approve the regular meeting minutes for December 15, 2020. (Absent: Limon, Postas) and the reorganization meeting minutes for January 1, 2021. (Absent: None)

2. **Mayoral Appointment**

Mayor Sowden will make the following appointment:

Local Emergency Management Council

Member 1-year term (expires 12/31/2021) Hector Acevedo

3. **Approval of NJ State Firemen's Association Membership Application**

A motion it in order to approve the application for membership of Brian S. Davis, 69 Corkhill Road, Franklin, to the Franklin Fire Department as endorsed by Khyle Conklin, Franklin Fire Department Chief.

4. **Congregate Nutrition Program Shared Services Agreement**

A motion is in order to approve the Shared Service Agreement between the County of Sussex and the Borough of Franklin for the Franklin Congregate Nutrition Programs from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 in the amount of \$27,700.00.

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5. Resolution #2021-16

A motion is in order to adopt resolution 2021-16 authorizing the Administrator to hire Anne LaBarba as part time Finance Assistant at the rate of \$16.00 per hour not to exceed 25 hours per week.

6. Discussion of ordinance amending Chapter 119 of the Borough Code – “Fees”

At this time there will be a discussion with possible action taken of an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 119 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “FEES”.”

7. Discussion of Pandemic Related Outdoor Seating Authorization for Restaurants

At this time there will be a discussion of pandemic related outdoor seating authorization for restaurants.

I. 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,

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.

J. 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.

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.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-16

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Franklin currently has a part-time vacancy in the Finance Department;

WHEREAS, Borough Administration, based on interviews and reference checks has determined that Anne LaBarba is qualified to fill the position of Part Time Finance Assistant;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Franklin that the Administrator was authorized to hire Anne LaBarba with a start date after January 1, 2021 on a part time basis at the rate of \$16 per hour not to exceed an average of 25 hours per week;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Borough of Franklin in the County of Sussex and State of New Jersey on this 12th day of January, 2021.

Darlene J. Tremont, Municipal Clerk

Dated:

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

**BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN
ORDINANCE NO.**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN,
COUNTY OF SUSSEX, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AMENDING CHAPTER 119 OF THE BOROUGH CODE
ENTITLED "FEES"**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Franklin, County of Sussex, and State of New Jersey that 119 of the Code of the Borough of Franklin entitled "Fees" is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION I.

Chapter 119-4 of the Code of the Borough of Franklin entitled "Fees" referencing Chapter 194, "Parking Lots, Municipal" is hereby replaced as follows:

Ch. 194, Parking Lots, Municipal

§ <u>194-1</u>	Parking permit, Franklin Borough residents	\$300 per year
	Parking permit, non-Franklin Borough residents	\$350 per year
	Commercial vehicles	\$500 per year
	Parking permit for visitor vehicles	\$10 per day

SECTION II.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION III.

If any article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase or sentence is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, said article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase or sentence shall be deemed severable.

SECTION IV.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final publication as provided by law.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN

DARLENE J. TREMONT, CLERK

BY: JOHN M. SOWDEN IV, MAYOR

DATED: