Call to Order:
Time: 7:30 PM
Ms. Vassallo: Present  Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Present
Mrs. Flaim: Present  Mayor Deegan: Present
Mr. Bruno: Present

Salute to the Flag:
The Mayor led the Salute to the Flag.

Open Public Meetings Act Statement:
Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was forwarded to the official Township newspapers, posted on the bulletin board and Township Website on January 3, 2019. This meeting is being videotaped and will be on Channel 9.

Motion R-114-19 Appointing Ian Anthony Hausman as a Class II Special Officer for the Township of Franklin Police Department
Motion: Petsch-Wilson Second: Flaim
Roll Call:
Ms. Vassallo: Yes  Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes  Mayor Deegan: Yes
Mr. Bruno: Yes

Chief Zimmer read a bio on Officer Hausman.

Finance: No Questions on the bill list.

Community Center: Ms. Caselli will give Mr. Yusko’s report. The E-Waste container has been in place. The library has a banned book on display.

Public Works: Mr. Snodgrass reported to Ms. Brent that repairs are being made on vehicles and mowing being done. Mayor Deegan asked Ms. Brent to follow up on the flashing light on Porchtown Road.

Police Department: Mr. Zimmer said National Night Out was a success. Sgt. McGuigan did a great job on the planning. He thanked Ms. Brent and Mrs. Freijomil for their help with the insurance. He thanked the Committee for their support. The officers will be at Franklin Township Day and Newfield Day. Mrs. Petsch-Wilson said it was a fantastic night.

Administrator: Mrs. Brent said that National Night Out was a success and she thanked the Police Department and Chief Zimmer for the work they do. Mrs. Brent said the tax bills will be out by September 3 and they will be due September 27. She said that Mrs. Freijomil has spearheaded the effort and thanked all the employees who helped. Mrs. Brent said that some literature and a recycling magnet will be enclosed with it.

First Public Portion:
Motion to Open: Petsch-Wilson Second: Flaim

Ms. Halpern, Harding Highway, discussed the Recreation Open Space Inventory resolution that is on the agenda tonight. She described the process and point system used to get the Green Acres funding. She urged the Committee to continue the effort to keep the parks.

Ms. McCarthy, 803 Fries Mill Road, thanked the Committee for the ROSI resolution being on the agenda tonight. She would like to see this continue in the future. There is a 2001 Recreation and Open Space Plan and she suggested going back and reviewing it.

Motion To Close: Petsch-Wilson Second: Flaim
All in Favor: Unanimous

Motion to Approve Correspondence and Reports
Motion: Petsch-Wilson Second: Flaim
All in Favor: Unanimous
Motion to Approve Bill List
Roll Call:
Ms. Vassallo: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mr. Bruno: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Deegan: Yes

Motion to Approve Minutes August 13, 2019
Motion: Petsch-Wilson Second: Flaim
All in Favor: Unanimous

Motion R-115-19 Authorizing a Closed Executive Meeting for the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin -Personnel and Litigation
Motion: Petsch-Wilson Second: Bruno
Roll Call:
Ms. Vassallo: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Left-Absent
Mr. Bruno: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Deegan: Yes

Motion R-116-19 Authorizing the Addition to the Recreation and Open Space Inventory
Motion: Petsch-Wilson Second: Bruno
Roll Call:
Ms. Vassallo: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Absent
Mr. Bruno: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Deegan: Yes

Motion R-117-19 Authorizing the Sale by Assignment of a Certain Tax Sale Certificate Owned by the Township of Franklin
Motion: Petsch-Wilson Second: Bruno
Roll Call:
Ms. Vassallo: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Absent
Mr. Bruno: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Deegan: Yes

Motion to Table R-118-19 Authorizing the Adoption of a Corrective Action Plan
Motion: Petsch-Wilson Second: Bruno
R-118 Audit – Table

Motion R-119-19 Authorizing Tax Anticipation Note
Motion: Petsch-Wilson Second: Bruno
Roll Call:
Ms. Vassallo: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Absent
Mr. Bruno: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Deegan: Yes

Motion R-120-19 Emergency Temporary Resolution
Motion: Petsch-Wilson Second: Bruno
Roll Call:
Ms. Vassallo: Yes
Mrs. Flaim: Absent
Mr. Bruno: Yes

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Yes
Mayor Deegan: Yes

Public Portion:
Motion to Open: Petsch-Wilson Second: Bruno

Mr. Scott Quick, 262 Ely Avenue, is discourage that a budget hasn’t been adopted. He is joined by others in his concern. He said that some people are saying that the surplus is being depleted. He said he is running along with Lena Jester in the General Election.

Ms. Pistilli-Leopardi, E. Grant Avenue, asked if a meeting was held at the LFB and if the CFO had to attend. Ms. Vassallo and Mayor Deegan went along with Ms. Coleman. Mayor Deegan said that a CAP waiver was applied for at the State. Ms. Vassallo said it was a application to exceed the waiver. Ms. Pistilli-Leopardi asked if the estimated bill and the next tax bill was being sent. Mr. Deegan said that he is disappointed that this happened and they are taking the appropriate steps to make sure it never happens again. Ms. Leopardi asked about the salary ordinance. It is being worked on by Mr. Armano.
Mr. Fred Plaskett, 532 Little Mill Road, said he ran into a situation where he called the police. He said the officer was chewing gum and blowing bubbles and he felt he was acting like one of the kids. Mayor Deegan suggested he talk to the Chief after the meeting.

**Committee Reports:**

Mr. Bruno: He thanked the clerical staff at Town Hall for getting the tax bills out.

Ms. Vassallo: She reported that she has been working on the solar fields and will have a report for the next meeting.

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: She thanked the police men and women for the work at National Night Out. She thanked the fire department for Youth Camp.

Mayor Deegan: He thanked the fire companies for their work at fire camp where all the kids had fun. He also enjoyed National Night Out. He cautioned all people to drive carefully. He said that all the information has been sent to the state regarding the budget and when the state approves it, there will be a special meeting to pass the budget. He reiterated that they are all taking notes and making sure this doesn’t happen again.

**Motion for Closed Session:**

Petsch-Wilson: Motion
Flaim: Second
All in Favor: Unanimous

**Motion to Adjourn to Closed Session:**

Petsch-Wilson: Motion
Flaim: Second
All in Favor: Unanimous

**Motion to Close Closed Session and Reopen Regular Meeting:**

Petsch-Wilson: Motion
Flaim: Second
All in Favor: Unanimous

**Motion to Adjourn:**

Petsch-Wilson: Motion
Flaim: Second
Time: 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk