

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN
R-93-20

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO PROCESS THIRD
QUARTER “ESTIMATED” TAX BILLS, DUE AUGUST 1, 2020**

WHEREAS, in light of the disruption caused by the Corona Virus outbreak, the State delayed the adoption of the State Fiscal year 2021 Budget to September 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) cannot certify State Aid allocations to municipal budgets until State Aid Appropriations are known; and

WHEREAS, the DLGS cannot approve municipal budgets and the County Board of Taxation cannot certify taxes until long after the June 30, 2020 deadline to process third quarter tax bills due August 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, without an adopted 2020 Municipal Budget and without a 2020 Certified Tax Rate, the Tax Collector cannot process the final 2020 Tax Levy; and

WHEREAS, the DLGS “strongly recommends” under Local Finance Notice 2020-07 “that municipalities prepare to issue estimated property tax bills for 2020”; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector, in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer, computed and certified and estimated Tax Levy necessary to bill third quarter taxes due August 1, 2020; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Franklin in the County of Gloucester as follows:

1. The Municipal Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and issue estimated tax bills for the municipality for the third installment of 2020 taxes. The Tax Collector shall proceed and take such actions as permitted by N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2 et seq.
2. The entire estimated tax levy and estimated tax rate for 2020 are hereby set as shown in the Attachment A.
3. The Municipal Tax Collector must mail the estimated tax bills to property owners no later than June 30, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the third quarterly installment of 2020 taxes shall not be subjected to interest until the later of August 10, 2020 or the twenty-fifth (25) calendar day after the date the estimated tax bills were mailed. The estimated tax bills shall contain a notice specifying the date on which interest may begin to accrue.

ADOPTED at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin on May 26, 2020.

Attest:

Township of Franklin

Barbara Freijomil, Clerk

John Bruno, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Franklin, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was presented and duly adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting held on May 26, 2020.

Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk