

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN
ORDINANCE NUMBER 3823, Amended**

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2009 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP"); APPROPRIATING \$482,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$482,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE WATER UTILITY OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE THE COSTS THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements to be undertaken by the Water Utility of the Township of Franklin, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey (the "Township"). For the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the aggregate sum of \$482,000 by the Water Utility of the Township, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(h) and 40A:2-11(c) of the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. (the "Local Bond Law"), no down payments are required as the Water Utility is self-liquidating.

SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, negotiable bonds of the Water Utility of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$482,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Township in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$482,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. The improvements hereby authorized and purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Authorization</u>	<u>Useful Life</u>
(i) Purchase and installation of a Phase III Automatic Water Meter Reading System;	\$275,000	\$275,000	10 years
(ii) Purchase and installation of upgrades to the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System; and	\$125,000	\$125,000	5 years
(iii) Purchase and installation of geographic information systems utility software.	\$82,000	\$82,000	5 years
TOTALS	<u>\$482,000</u>	<u>\$482,000</u>	

(a) The estimated aggregate maximum amount of bonds or notes of the Water Utility of the Township to be issued for said purposes is \$482,000.

(b) The estimated aggregate cost of said improvements or purposes is \$482,000.

(c) All such improvements or purposes described above shall include all materials, equipment, accessories and work necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

SECTION 4. In the event the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and/or the County of Somerset make a contribution or grant in aid to the Township for the improvements and purposes authorized hereby and the same shall be received by the Township prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then the amount of such bonds or notes to be issued shall be reduced by the amount so received from the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and/or the County of Somerset. In the event, however, that any amount so contributed or granted by the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and/or the County of Somerset shall be received by the Township after the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then such funds shall be applied to the payment of the bonds or notes so issued and shall be used for no other purpose.

SECTION 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township, provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer of the Township shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8.1. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at a public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price and accrued interest thereon from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, the description, the interest rate, the maturity schedule of the notes so sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 6. The capital budget of the Water Utility of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance, and to the extent of any inconsistency herewith, a resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital programs as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, within the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, will be on file in the Office of the Clerk and is available for public inspection.

SECTION 7. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and are improvements which the Township may lawfully

undertake as general improvements for its water utility system, and no part of the costs thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of said improvements or purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 7.85 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Township and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, within New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township, as defined in the Local Bond Law, is increased by the authorization of the bonds or notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$482,000, but such amount shall constitute a deduction from gross debt to the extent permitted by law, and the said bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) An amount not exceeding \$55,150 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. § 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purposes or improvements described in Section 3 hereof.

SECTION 8. Unless paid from other sources, the full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. Unless paid from other sources, the obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of the principal of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 9. The Township reasonably expects to reimburse any expenditure toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and paid prior to

the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance with the proceeds of such bonds or notes. No funds from sources other than the bonds or notes authorized herein have been or are reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside by the Township, or any member of the same "Controlled Group" as the Township, within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e), pursuant to its budget or financial policies with respect to any expenditures to be reimbursed. This Section 9 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Township's official intent to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of bonds or notes authorized herein in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2, and no further action (or inaction) will be an abusive arbitrage device in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-10 to avoid the arbitrage yield restrictions or arbitrage rebate requirements under Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and supplemented (the "Code"). The proceeds of any bonds or notes authorized herein used to reimburse the Township for any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof will not be used directly or indirectly (i) to "refund" an issue of governmental obligations within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-(1)(d), (ii) to create, within one year, following the reimbursement of any expenditures of bond proceeds, "replacement proceeds", within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1, of the bonds, or any other bond issue, or (iii) to reimburse the Township for any expenditure or payment that was originally paid with the proceeds of any obligation of the Township (other than borrowing by the Township from one of its own funds or the funds of a member of the same "Controlled Group" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e)). The bonds or notes authorized herein to reimburse the Township for any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof will be issued in an amount not to exceed \$482,000. The costs to be reimbursed with the proceeds of the bonds or notes authorized herein will be "capital

expenditures" in accordance with the meaning of Section 150 of the Code and Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1. This provision will take effect immediately, but will be of no effect with regard to expenditures for costs paid outside the permitted reimbursement period set forth in Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2(d)(2).

SECTION 10. The Township covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under Section 103(a) of the Code of the interest on all bonds and notes issued under this ordinance.

SECTION 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication hereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

ORDINANCE NO. 3823

This is a true copy of an ordinance adopted by the Township Council, Township of Franklin, Somerset County, New Jersey.

Introduced: March 24, 2009
Amended: April 14, 2009
Public Hearing: April 28, 2009
Adoption:
Published:
Effective Date:

Ann Marie McCarthy, Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN
PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Township of Franklin, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, on March 24, 2009. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Township Municipal Building in said County on April 14, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

- Title:** **BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2009 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP"); APPROPRIATING \$482,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$482,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE WATER UTILITY OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE THE COSTS THEREOF**
- Purpose(s):** To provide for various capital equipment and improvements relating to the Water Utility System, including, but not limited to, the acquisition and installation of a Phase III Automatic Water Meter Reading System, upgrades to the SCADA system and upgraded geographic information system.
- Appropriation:** \$482,000
- Bonds/Notes Authorized:** \$482,000
- Down Payment:** None; Water Utility is self-liquidating
- Grant(s) Appropriated:** None
- Section 20 Costs**
\$55,150
- Useful Life:** 7.85 years

**ANN MARIE MCCARTHY,
Township Clerk**

**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN
PUBLIC NOTICE**

BOND ORDINANCE STATEMENTS AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the Township Council of the Township of Franklin, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey on April __, 2009 and the twenty (20) day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

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Appropriation: \$482,000

**Bonds/Notes
Authorized:** \$482,000

Down Payment: None; Water Utility is self-liquidating

**Grant(s)
Appropriated:** None

**Section 20
Costs** \$55,150

Useful Life: 7.85 years

**ANN MARIE MCCARTHY,
Township Clerk**

CERTIFICATE OF INTRODUCTION

I, the undersigned Clerk of Township of Franklin (the "Township"), in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is an extract from the Minutes of a meeting of the governing body of the Township duly called and held on March 24, 2009 at __:__ p.m. at the Township Municipal Building and that the following was the roll call:

Present:

Absent:

I FURTHER CERTIFY that the foregoing extract has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of the governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of the original minutes so far as they relate to the subject matters referred to in the extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Township this ___ day of _____, 2009.

(SEAL)

ANN MARIE MCCARTHY,
Township Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF FINAL ADOPTION

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Township of Franklin (the "Township"), in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is an extract from the Minutes of a meeting of the governing body of the Township duly called and held on April 14, 2009, at __:__ p.m. at the Township Municipal Building and that the following was the roll call:

Present:

Absent:

I FURTHER CERTIFY that the foregoing extract has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of the governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of the original minutes so far as they relate to the subject matters referred to in the extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Township this ___ day of _____, 2009.

(SEAL)

ANN MARIE MCCARTHY,
Township Clerk

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, ANN MARIE MCCARTHY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I am the Clerk of the Township of Franklin, in the County of Somerset (the "Township"), a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Jersey, and that as such I am duly authorized to execute and deliver this certificate on behalf of the Township. In such capacity, I have the responsibility to maintain the minutes of the meetings of the governing body of the Township and the records relative to all resolutions and ordinances of the Township. The representations made herein are based upon the records of the Township. I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT:

(1) Attached hereto is the bond ordinance introduced on March 24, 2009, finally adopted on April 14, 2009.

(2) After introduction, the bond ordinance was published as required by applicable law on _____, 2009 in Courier News.

(3) Following the introduction of the bond ordinance on first reading, and at least seven (7) days prior to the final adoption thereof, I caused to be posted in the principal municipal building of the Township at the place where public notices are customarily posted, a copy of said bond ordinance or a summary thereof and a notice that copies of the bond ordinance would be made available to the members of the general public of the Township who requested copies, up to and including the time of further consideration of the bond ordinance by the governing body. Copies of the bond ordinance were made available to all who requested same.

(4) After final adoption, the ordinance was duly approved by the Mayor on _____, 2009 (if applicable) and was duly published as required by law on April __, 2009 in the Courier News. No protest signed by any person against making any improvement or incurring the indebtedness authorized therein, nor any petition requesting that a referendum vote be taken on the action proposed in the bond ordinance has been presented to the governing body or to me or filed in my office within twenty (20) days after said publication or at any other time after the final passage thereof.

(5) The bond ordinance has not been amended, added to, altered or repealed and said bond ordinance is now in full force and effect.

(6) A certified copy of the bond ordinance and a copy of the amended capital budget form has been filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs as applicable.

(7) The official seal of the Township is the seal, an impression of which is affixed opposite my signature on this Certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Township this ___ day of _____, 2009

(SEAL)

ANN MARIE MCCARTHY,
Township Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT STATEMENT

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Township of Franklin, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the Chief Financial Officer, Vandana Khurana, prepared, executed and swore to the attached Supplemental Debt Statement of the Township as of March 24, 2009, that such Supplemental Debt Statement was filed in my office on March 24, 2009 and with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services on _____, 2009.

ANN MARIE MCCARTHY,
Township Clerk