

**SCHWENKSVILLE BOROUGH  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION 2020-09**

**A RESOLUTION TO REVISE THE PENALTY RATE ON REAL ESTATE  
TAXES FOR THE 2020 TAX YEAR IN THE BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE**

**WHEREAS**, On March 8, 2020, a widespread outbreak of Corona Virus (CoVID-19) occurred, affecting the residents of Montgomery County, causing severe suffering to persons of Montgomery County and has overwhelmed first responders, healthcare providers and businesses within Montgomery County, necessitating the issuance of a Disaster Declaration by the Montgomery County Commissioners on March 8, 2020 and a Stay-at-Home order by the Governor on March 23, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, The Pennsylvania Local Tax Collection Law (72 P.S. § 5511.1 et seq.) grants to municipalities such as Schwenksville Borough the authority to establish the rates of taxes and penalties on Real Estate taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, 72 P.S. § 5511.13 requires that Tax Collectors hold open, in-person office hours in the period leading up to the end of the discount period; and

**WHEREAS**, given the Stay-at-Home order issued by the Governor, compliance with 72 P.S. § 5511.13 is both impractical and contrary to public health, as well as the financial burden now facing many residents as a result of the CoVID-19 crisis, Montgomery County has requested that all municipalities within the County consider moving the tax payment deadline; and

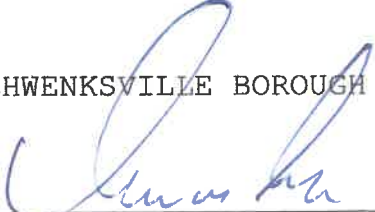
**WHEREAS**, Schwenksville Borough recognizes the financial burden facing many residents as a result of the COVID-19 crisis, and therefore, has determined it to be in the best interest of the residents of the Borough to amend the penalty rate applicable on real estate taxes during the 2020 tax year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Schwenksville Borough Council hereby amends the penalty rate on real estate taxes for 2020 as follows:

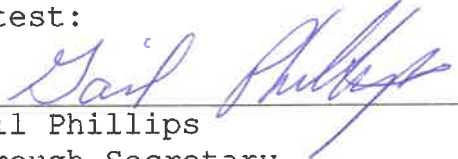
July 1 through July 31, 2020:           0%  
After July 31, 2020:                   10%

**RESOLVED** and **ENACTED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020 by Schwenksville Borough Council.

SCHWENKSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

  
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Darren Rash, President

Attest:

  
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Gail Phillips  
Borough Secretary