

**RESOLUTION R-2019-119
LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL**

***A Resolution of the Luzerne County Council to Abate Delinquent Luzerne County Taxes
for the Property Located at 125-133 E. Main Street, Newport Township***

WHEREAS, the Home Rule Charter, Section 2.09(B)(2), gives Luzerne County Council the power to levy, establish, alter and/or abolish taxes and assessments except as may be limited by the Charter or applicable law; and

WHEREAS, Newport Township intends to receive via deeds of owner Charles Hayes III, the properties known as 125 -133 E. Main Street, Newport Township; and

WHEREAS, the properties located at 125-133 E. Main Street, Newport Township have been placed with Northeast Revenue Services, LLC for tax sale due to several years of delinquent property taxes; and

WHEREAS, it is Newport Township's intent to secure funding for the demolition of all of the existing structures on the properties which are in an advanced and deteriorating stage and present a public nuisance to Township residents; and

WHEREAS, Newport Township would ultimately then seek to sell the properties; and

WHEREAS, the Nanticoke Area School District and Newport Township have agreed to abate their delinquent taxes related to the properties in order for Newport Township to take title to the properties as set forth above; and

WHEREAS, the outstanding Luzerne County taxes, penalties and interest on 125-133 E. Main Street, Newport Township (as of October 22, 2019) are:

PIN: 46-K6S2-009-007-000

PIN: 46-K6S2-09A-002-000

2014: \$ 740.51

2017: \$15.03

2015: \$1,162.09

2018: \$13.96

2016: \$1,089.09

Total: \$28.99

2017: \$1,057.23

2018: \$ 981.56

Total: \$5,030.72

WHEREAS, Luzerne County desires to abate the delinquent County taxes, interest and penalties on 125-133 E. Main Street, Newport Township in the amount of \$5,059.71 plus any additional interest that has accrued through the effective date of this Resolution subject to the following conditions:

- a. Newport Township must acquire the property and demolish any unsafe structures located on the properties within one (1) year of the effective date of this Resolution; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the delinquent Luzerne County taxes, penalties and interest in the amount of \$5,059.71 will be abated subject to the terms and conditions set forth above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Newport Township will purchase the 125-133 E. Main Street, Newport Township property free and clear of the Luzerne County taxes from the designated owners.

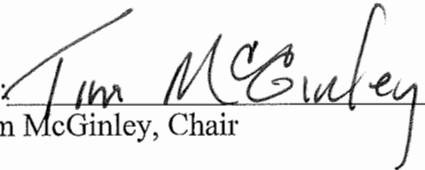
This Resolution shall become effective six (6) days from adoption.

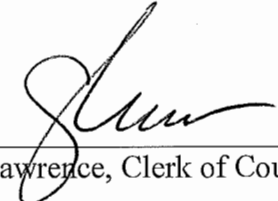
ADOPTED at a meeting of Luzerne County Council held on November 26, 2019.

ROLL CALL VOTE (11-0)

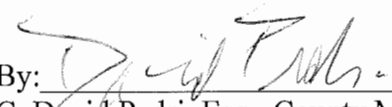
YES: Bilbow, Haas, Houck, McGinley, Morelli, Perry, Saidman, Schnee, SA Urban, Vough and Waitkus

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

By: 
Tim McGinley, Chair

Attest: 
Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of Council

LUZERNE COUNTY MANAGER

By: 
C. David Pedri, Esq., County Manager