

BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON

PRIDE & CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES: Wednesday – May 24, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Joanne McAndrew at 7:00 PM. The Open Public Meeting Act statement was read by the Secretary. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. McAndrew.

ATTENDANCE:

Brian Martin	Doris Mathisen	Joanne McAndrew	Christine Peterson
Present	Present	Present	Present

Mayor Sue Marshall also in attendance.

Also in attendance Councilman Ron Peterson and Members of the Economic Development Committee: Chairman Jon Miller, Michael Leising and Marcella Klein

Recording of Hours:

Brian Martin	Doris Mathisen	Joanne McAndrew	Christine Peterson
30	30	50	50

Approval of March 22, 2023 meeting minutes.

Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the February 22, 2023 minutes; the motion was second by Mrs. Mathisen; all in favor none oppose.

Old Business:

Mrs. McAndrew mentioned Arbor Day was terrific. Mrs. Peterson said it was a really nice day.

Open Public Forum

Ms. Mathisen made a motion to open public forum; the motion was second by Mr. Martin. All in favor, none opposed.

Chairman McAndrew welcomed the Economic Development Committee members to the meeting and stated the purpose of this joint meeting is to discuss Tuckerton Day. There was a discussion between the two committees as to what businesses were approached to participate and what function they would have as well as other aspects of the days’ event. After a lengthy discussion between the two committees, it was decided to vote on proceeding to hold Tuckerton Day.

Motion to Proceed with October 7th 2023 Tuckerton Day

A motion was made by Mr. Martin and second by Mr. Leising to proceed with Tuckerton Day.

Mr. Martin – Yes

Ms. Mathisen – No

Mrs. McAndrew – No

Mrs. Peterson – No

Mr. Miller – No

Mr. Leising – Yes

Ms. Klein – No

With a majority, the vote was not to proceed with Tuckerton Day this year.

Both committees feel this is a great event but more time is needed to run this event properly. Mr. Miller stated he feels this event was taken away prematurely and he feels it is taken away for the wrong reasons. In addition, Mr. Miller respectfully rejects to taking away this event. Mrs. Peterson suggested Pride to handle the vendors, park and stage and EDC handle the businesses. Mr. Martin stated this has to be a team event in order for it to be successful. There was a discussion to have meeting with the businesses to gather their interests, suggestions and comments. Mr. Miller stated it's a waste of time if we don't have a team effort. Mr. Leising stated that Mr. Miller's vision is really spot on with what can be done really, really well. Mr. Leising has offered his business establishment as a place to gather to work on this for next year.

Close Public Forum

Mr. Martin made a motion to close public forum; the motion was second by Ms. Mathisen. All in favor, none opposed.

New Business:

Mrs. Peterson spoke with regard to Employee Appreciation luncheon. She asked to have it this year in August or September, last year in October was too cold. The committee was in favor of having the luncheon in August. Mrs. McAndrew stated there will be two (2) concerts in July this year. There is a \$1,000 grant and she would like to have two more at \$500 each, but we aren't going to have eight as we had anticipated. Mr. Martin spoke with regard to Town Wide Yard Sale. He stated that for the Yard Sale on June 10th, so far there are 20 houses signed up plus Tuckerton Landing-the entire neighborhood is doing one. He further mentioned this is the most that has signed up.

Members Forum:

No Member Forum

Approval of Secretary Services.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		Brian Martin	X			
	X	Doris Mathisen	X			
		Joanne McAndrew	X			
		Christine Peterson	X			

Adjournment – Chairman at 8:20 PM

Motion by Mrs. Peterson, second by Mr. Martin; all in favor, none oppose.

Respectfully submitted:

April D. Elley, Secretary