

## SEPTEMBER 4, 2018

Mayor Susan R. Marshall called the regular meeting of the Tuckerton Borough Council to order on September 4, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Borough Complex.

Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act were complied with as notice was published to the *Tuckerton Beacon* and the *Asbury Park Press* stating the time, date and place of this meeting.

The following members of Council were in attendance: Keith Vreeland, John Schwartz, Sam Colangelo, Doris Mathisen, Mike Santo, Ron Peterson and Mayor Susan R. Marshall.

Mayor Marshall led the salute to the flag.

### **MAYOR AND COUNCIL FORUM**

Mr. Schwartz explained his resolutions this evening and then announced that the NJ DEP has permits for Story Island and the Borough will be working towards using that site.

Mr. Colangelo explained the resolution he is reading this evening is normal procedural resolutions for the water and sewer department.

Mr. Santo read the July 2018 Tuckerton Fire Department report a copy of which is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office for public inspection. He then asked Vice President Lee Eggert to speak to the public.

Tuckerton Fire Department, Vice President Lee Eggert stated recently he has seen remarks on Facebook where the fire department is being used as a political battle from individuals who are running for a position on Council and he would like to straighten a lot of the misinformation out on social media. He went on to say that even though Mr. Deckman apologized for one comment he made there is still more out there with his running mate about how the fire department is wasting money on the building, not having proper personnel for fire calls, the Borough being fined for a PEOSHA inspections, and various other things. He clarified all the false information and stated if anyone ever wants to see what is happening or find out the right answers to please come to the fire house on Tuesday nights or ask him.

Mr. Peterson stated he still has not heard anything negative about South Green Street Park it has all been positive. It has also come to his attention there has been questions or statements about the revaluation and what the values are based on specifically in the Tuckerton Beach Area and how values are decreasing, the values are based on market values and recently the home sales in the Beach Area have been increasing, people really need to look at recent sales because there is not a decline in market values.

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Mayor Marshall thanked Marilyn Kent, OEM Coordinator for getting the defibrillator together for the Borough and thanked Dale Eggert for being able to certify the defibrillator for the Borough. Then Mayor Marshall read a statement regarding the purchase of the armory; a copy of the statement is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office for public inspection.

Mayor Marshall than stated she recently made a donation to Killed in Action fund and bought a flag symbolizing the K.I.A. logo and is donating it the Borough of Tuckerton to flown proudly outside.

### **RESOLUTION #157-18**

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Mr. Schwartz moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #157-18 be approved authorizing payment of claims in the amount of \$860,228.28. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Schwartz moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the governing body accept the resignation of Effie Pressley from part-time tax collector. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

### **RESOLUTION #158-18**

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING LAURA COHEN AS TAX COLLECTOR OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141 et seq.**

Mr. Schwartz moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #158-18 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

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**RESOLUTION #159-18**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF  
TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF  
NEW JERSEY, TO CANCEL EXCESS WATER &  
SEWER CHARGES FOR THE YEAR 2016**

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #159-18 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

**RESOLUTION NO. 155-18**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF  
TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF  
NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A  
REIMBURSEMENT FOR SEWER SERVICE  
COMPLETED AT 394 SOUTH GREEN STREET**

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #155-18 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mrs. Mathisen stated the Landmarks Commission Meeting will be held at 140 East Main Street.

Mr. Santo moved, second by Mrs. Mathisen that the minutes of the regular meeting of August 20, 2018 be approved as presented. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Vreeland moved, second by Mr. Santo that the governing body accept the letter of resignation with regrets from Bernie Gafney from the Pride and Celebration Committee. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mrs. Mathisen moved, by Mr. Santo that the governing body accept a raffle application and waiver of fee from the Episcopal Church for a raffle to be held October 6, 2018. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mrs. Mathisen moved, second by Mr. Colangelo that the governing body authorize the use of South Green Street Park to the Tuckerton Beach Association for September 15, 2018. It was so moved by the majority consent. Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Santo and Mr. Peterson abstained from voting.

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the meeting be opened to the public.

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Skip Deckman, 131 Marine Street, asked why Council months ago when he asked if the Borough was buying the armory the answer was no and until he saw Councilmen and the Borough Administrator it was never talked about and now the Borough is interested. He spoke to Phil the maintenance guy and he stated it would take over one million dollars to rehab that building, why is the Borough continuing to waste money and not inform the residents of this town or worse lie about it when asked.

Mayor Marshall stated she explained the process earlier this evening and when he asked earlier this year at that time we were not given the right to purchase it, so no were not looking at purchasing it at this time; however just recently it has been offered to the Borough and we must look into the future and be prepared. She stated she felt no matter what was said to Mr. Deckman he not would accept the answer.

Lee Eggert, 111 Willow Landing Terrace stated as far as he understood was the Borough would have last right of refusal after all other State agencies and he feels it would be a smart purchase especially to get the Public Works and Water Tower out of a flood zone. It would be great to store the public works trucks under a building instead of leaving out in weather conditions and he hopes the Council will look into that purchase.

There being no further comments or questions, Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the public portion be closed. It was so moved.

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously approved at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted;

Approved:

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**JENNY GLEGHORN, RMC**  
**BOROUGH CLERK**

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**SUSAN R. MARSHALL**  
**MAYOR**