

**BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
MINUTES: Tuesday – January 7, 2020**

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

Mayor Marshall swore in two (2) new members to the Economic Development Committee; Matt Edson and Renee Gioiello.

**Roll Call:**

	Matt Edson	Renee Gioiello	Jon Miller	Rob Perotti
Present	X	X	X	X
Absent				

**Also In Attendance:**

	Mayor Sue Marshall	Councilman Ron Peterson
Present	X	X
Absent		

**\*\*\*Re-Organization\*\*\***

**Nomination of Chairman:**

Jon Miller, no other nominations.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
	X	Matt Edson	X			
		Renee Gioiello	X			
		Jon Miller	X			
X		Rob Perotti	X			

**Nomination of Vice Chairman:**

Rob Perotti, no other nominations.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
	X	Matt Edson	X			
		Renee Gioiello	X			
X		Jon Miller	X			
		Rob Perotti	X			

## **Recording of Hours: 2 Months**

Matt Edson – 0

Renee Gioiello – 0

Jon Miller – 20

Rob Perotti – 16

### **Approval of Minutes – January 7, 2020:**

Mr. Perotti made a motion to approve the January 7, 2020 minutes; the motion was second by Mr. Miller. Both in favor; Mr. Edson and Ms. Gioiello abstained due to not being sworn to this committee until tonight.

**Old Business:** Chairman Miller welcomed and thanked the new members for joining this committee. He explained this is a relaxed environment where we try to brainstorm ways to promote the town and the local businesses, with the idea if the businesses are succeeding, that the local economy will follow. He then thanked Nedeane Maddox and Tim Hart for their service to this committee. He mentioned he would like to see Tim Hart recognized because he spent 18 years on this committee. Mr. Miller stated he would like to speak with Mayor Marshall about this, perhaps a presentation to Mr. Hart at a council meeting.

Mr. Miller spoke of the water ferry, and that Nedeane Maddox was our liaison to that and she went to the Chamber for the water ferry meetings. Mr. Miller stated the committee would need to have a committee person to fill the vacancy. Mr. Edson expressed interest in this but is unsure if his schedule will permit, he would need additional information before he makes that commitment.

Ms. Gioiello mentioned at Tuckerton Beach the residents are all concerned with the dredging. The homeowners are upset and worried about the value of their home. Their concern is that if the dredging doesn't occur, they won't be able to access their homes by boat therefore their homes won't be valued as much as another home in a different area that has an access by boat. Ms. Gioiello stated that it basically comes down to having to watch the tide. Mr. Peterson stated all of the permits are in and he believes the dredging will occur right now it is all about the funding. Mr. Miller asked Ms. Gioiello how the commercial climate down at the Tuckerton Beach area; are the marina's doing good, are they thriving? He stated the restaurants down there seem to be doing good. Ms. Gioiello stated Panini always has a parking lot full. Mr. Miller stated Shelter Cove is doing expansions, their putting up a building so that is good. Remember this committee is about economic growth. Mr. Edson mentioned people coming from the island to visit a restaurant have to be concerned with the tides which may result in loss of some business to the local establishments. So the dredging issue may become an Economic Development concern. Mr. Miller stated clearly we all want the same thing so if there is anything the EDC can do for Mayor and Council to move this along, we stand ready to help.

Mr. Miller stated we should start on Restaurant Week and he will invite Doreen Cramer to the February meeting. After a discussion, it was agreed that April 24<sup>th</sup> to May 2<sup>nd</sup> would be Restaurant Week.

Mr. Edson mentioned the water ferry made trips to restaurants and it was very successful. The dinner cruises being very popular probably will have some opportunity to be reworked a little bit. Mr. Peterson stated he believes Shelter Cove is going to have additional slips this year so people can pull in with their boats and they can walk to The Grill.

### **New Business:**

No new business.

### **Members Forum:**

Mayor Marshall mentioned Kim Hanadel expressed interest in joining this group. Ms. Hanadel is also on the school board so she would like to wait until after the school has their reorganization before she makes a commitment.

In addition, the Mayor stated the borough is looking to get a replacement from the Seaport for Tim, because they are involved in so much that we do.

**Public Forum:**

No public forum.

**Approval of Secretary Services:**

**Roll Call:**

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		Matt Edson	X			
	X	Renee Gioiello	X			
		Jon Miller	X			
		Rob Perotti	X			

**Adjournment** – Chairman at 8:09 PM  
Motion by Renee Gioiello, second by Rob Perotti, all in favor, none oppose.

Respectfully submitted:  
April D. Elley, EDC Secretary