

**BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES: Monday – January 8, 2024**

Prior to the start of the meeting Mayor Marshall presented the Oath of Office to Michael Leising and Chuck Watson.

Call Meeting to Order – *Mayor Sue Marshall*

Flag Salute – *Mayor Sue Marshall*

Open Public Meeting Act Statement - *Secretary*

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 PM followed by the Open Public Meeting Act statement and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

	Pete Gioiello	Marcella Klein	Michael Leising	Jon Miller	Dave Shaffer	Chuck Watson
Present		X	X	X	X	X
Absent	X					

Also, In Attendance:

	Mayor Sue Marshall	Councilman Ron Peterson
Present	X	X
Absent		

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

Nomination of Chairman:

A motion was made by Mr. Watson nominating Jon Miller as chairman, the motion was second by Ms. Klein, no other nominations. With one abstention, the nomination was approved.

Nomination of Vice Chairman:

A motion was made by Mr. Miller nominating Chuck Watson as vice chairman, the motion was second by Mr. Shaffer, no other nominations. With one abstention, the nomination was approved.

Recording of Hours:

Pete Gioiello – Absent Marcella Klein – 30 (Two Months) Michael Leising – 20 (Two Months)
Jon Miller – 20 Dave Shaffer – 12 Chuck Watson - 5

Approval of Minutes – December 4, 2023

Mr. Watson made a motion to approve the minutes of December 4, 2023. The motion was second by Mr. Shaffer. With two abstentions, the minutes were approved.

Open Public Forum – No Action Taken

Close Public Forum – No Action Taken

Members Forum: Chairman Miller stated the website has been approved however NJ Multimedia is waiting for the direction to start. The committee agreed there should be one member to update Economic Development web pages on the new borough website. Mr. Shaffer stated he would be happy take on that role. Mr. Miller named Mr. Shaffer as the EDC representative, the committee approved. Mr. Miller called on committee member Mr. Shaffer to present his Committee Action Plan. Mr. Shaffer reviewed the **draft** plan for 2024. The first purpose of the plan was to organize the committee’s thoughts we aligned on at the December meeting in a written format that the committee could collaborate on. Since the borough is going to have a new website, some form of this may be published on there for members of the public; residents and businesses can actually see what we actually drive towards. The second purpose was to organize the committee around what the priorities are. The second page is a back log of ideas. Throughout the year the list may grow as thoughts and suggestions are exchanged. The back log will be useful when moving toward the calendar for 2025. Mr. Miller stated we need to add “Restaurant Week” to the draft plan.

New Business: Chairman Miller spoke about “Restaurant Week” that EDC has been doing for some time now. This week-long event is no cost to the borough. Mr. Miller will invite Andrea from The Sandpaper to the next meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Leising to hold “Restaurant Week” from April 27, 2024 to May 4, 2024. The motion was second by Mr. Shaffer. All in favor; none opposed.

The committee discussed Tuckerton Day. Information from last year’s planning stage was distributed to the committee. The committee will review these documents and update and change as suggested. The committee reviewed the 2024 calendar and decided October 5, 2024 for Tuckerton Day.

Mr. Leising left the meeting at 6:00 PM.

Approval Payment for Secretary Services

Roll Call:

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Pete Gioiello				X
		Marcella Klein	X			
		Michael Leising				X
		Jon Miller	X			
X		Dave Shaffer	X			
	X	Chuck Watson	X			

Adjournment – 6:15 PM

Ms. Klein made a motion to adjourn. The motion was second by Mr. Watson. All in favor; none opposed.

Respectfully submitted:

April D. Elley, EDC Secretary