#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**APRIL 3, 2018** 

Vice Chairperson, Nedean Maddox, called the Tuckerton Economic Development Committee Meeting to order on Tuesday, APRIL 3, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Borough Hall.

## **SUNSHINE STATEMENT:**

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

## **ATTENDANCE:**

The following members were in attendance: Jon Miller, Nedean Maddox, Tim Hart, Rob Perotti

Nedean Maddox led the salute to the flag.

\*\*\*Jon Miller arrived 7:15 and took over as Chairman of the EDC

# **MINUTES:**

Tim Hart moved, seconded by Rob Perotti that the MARCH 6, 2018, meeting minutes be approved. It was so moved by a unanimous consent of the Economic Development Committee at 7:15 PM.

## **RECORDING OF HOURS:**

LOGGED HOURS: To be posted on the FY2018 for the month of MARCH 2018 are as follows: Economic Development Committee recognizes their members' donation of time and knowledge for studies and research along with attendance of monthly meetings and available workshops /seminars.

Tim Hart 3.0 Nedean Maddox 3.0 Jon Miller Rob Perotti 5.0

## **CHAIRMAN'S FORUM:**

Chinese Buffet Restaurant update:

Nedean reported she heard Atlantic Care facility or Southern Ocean may be moving into this building. Councilman, Ron Peterson reported it will most likely be a medical center. Workers have been making improvements.

Nedean asked if anyone listened to any of the webinars she had emailed the information on from Rutgers Marine Science on the TNC Living Shoreline Grant.

Nedean informed that Little Egg Harbor, Kindergarten and First grades received a grant to learn how to grow a butterfly garden, and received seed packages.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Nedean reported the next meeting for the Water Taxi will be held on April 16th, 10:30 AM with Ocean County Chamber of Commerce. At that time, it will be determined which grant they will receive and how much. There are no new minutes from their meetings, they reviewed that grant applications and are waiting for the award. They had applied for several, the largest being \$20,000. A test pilot has been completed by the Seaport.

Rob Perotti inquired about prospective private benefactors. Nedean stated they are waiting for the award determination prior to searching for a private benefactor. they would like to access a 25 passenger boat and are hoping for enough funds. the project should begin in July.

Jon Miller reported that he spoke with new owners of the Emporium, and they are interested in advertising on the boat, as is Fantasy Island theme park, and the Surf Light Theater. Nedean reported there has been a lot of interest and support for this project.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Jon Miller related on behalf of the EDC, we would like to offer support to Standing Tall day care facility, a new business in town.

Rob Perotti commented on the downtown district building, of #11 East Main Street; it is a condemned building and presents a poor image for the center of town. He asked members for ideas and discussion of what can be done about this site.

Ron Peterson informed the new complex for Tuckerton Borough is almost complete.

Members asked about a grand opening. Ron reported the end of April, or beginning of May is hopeful.

Jon Miller inquired about our EDC budget, Water-Taxi budget, and has requested operating and quarterly reports. Ron Peterson referred Jon to the municipal clerk's office, finance division. Jon has questions regarding the 2017 and 2018 budgets and reconciliation of accounts.

### **MEMBERS FORUM:**

Members are concerned that they are not listed on the web site for the Borough. Secretary will contact web administrator, Barbara Layten. The new web site has some pages that are still under construction. .

### Public:

Councilman, Ron Peterson is in attendance this evening.

Borough's tax assessor, Ed Seeger is in attendance this evening. Ed related to members that there has been approval from state for reevaluations and to begin inspections. The goal is to have the new numbers on the books for January 2019. Letters went out to the public. he is overseeing a contractor performing the re-val.

#### INVOICE:

Tim Hart moved, seconded by Nedean Maddox that the invoice in the amount of \$75 for secretarial services for the month of APRIL 2018 be paid to Secretary, Susan Maguire. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of the Economic Development Committee.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Jon Miller moved, seconded by Nedean Maddox, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously approved at 8: 20PM.

All voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Susan Maguire, Secretary Economic Development Committee