

DECEMBER 4, 2023

Mayor Susan R. Marshall called the regular meeting of the Tuckerton Borough Council to order on December 4, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act were complied with as notice was published to the *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, Brian Martin, Sam Colangelo Frank D'Amore, Michael Dupuis, Ron Peterson and Mayor Marshall.

Mayor Marshall led the salute to the flag.

RESOLUTION #172-23

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

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #172-23 be approved authorizing payment of claims in the amount of \$455,910.61. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #173-23

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF
TUCKERTON, COUNTY OCEAN, STATE OF NEW
JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR
TO CANCEL 2023 TAXES DUE ON A PROPERTY
GRANTED THE 100% DISABLED VETERAN
EXEMPTION & REFUND THE RESULTING
BALANCE**

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #173-23 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Martin also wanted to thank the veteran in this resolution for his service for our country.

Mr. Colangelo told residents not to pour grease down their drains and to report water leaks and sewer backup to the Water & Sewer Department.

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RESOLUTION #174-23

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDING A CONTRACT TO MATHIS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR THE 2024 EMERGENCY REPAIRS FOR WATER AND SEWER

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #174-23 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #175-23

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDING A CONTRACT TO RS POWERGEN FOR THE PURCHASE OF A REFURBISHED BREAKER FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #175-23 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #176-23

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDING A CONTRACT TO BERGEY'S TRUCK CENTERS AN AUTHORIZED VENDOR OF THE STAFFORD TOWNSHIP CO-OP FOR PARTS AND LABOR TO REPAIR TRUCK R-3

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #176-23 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #177-23

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO CANCEL EXCESS, WATER & SEWER CHARGES FOR THE YEAR 2023

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Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #177-23 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Dupuis moved, second by Mr. Peterson that the minutes of the meetings of November 20, 2023 be approved. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Peterson read the Police Report for October 2023; a copy of which is on file on the Municipal Clerk's Office for public inspection.

Mayor Marshall read a letter from Penny at the Food Pantry.

RESOLUTION #178-23

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE TUCKERTON BOROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #170-23 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 179-23

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT.

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Martin that Resolution #179-23 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the governing body accept the letter of resignation from Raymond Jones, Public Works/Water & Sewer Labor with regrets. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

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

Ken Trainor, 330 Landing Court, asked that the governing body look into the safety of the people using the crosswalks throughout the Borough of Tuckerton. He

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presented information to the Mayor and Council for a grant to assist with making crossing the road a lot safer.

Justin Way, Fourth Avenue, asked Mr. Martin if the re-dacted statement he made at the last Council meeting was given to the newspaper. Mr. Way then stated Mr. D'Amore needs to be more polite to the residents when they are talking during meetings and not continue to interrupt them when they have the floor to speak. Mr. Way asked that the Mayor say she could not comment on the stealing of appropriations and not lie about the missing money like last meeting; and lastly Mr. Way stated the Council should re-instate the Fire and EMS Department because the Borough needs that back in town.

Mr. Martin stated he did not send his re-dacted statement to the newspaper because he re-dacted it verbally at the last Council meeting.

John Zubrinski, 707 South Green Street, asked for a podium to be bought for people to use when speaking to the Mayor and Council during the public forum, he also feels it's not fair to limit the speaking to 5 minutes and lastly asked how we could spend so much money on the water tower and now it looks terrible. Can't we see if someone would clean it or remove the rust because it has to be under warranty still?

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

Mr. Vreeland moved, second by Mr. Martin that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously approved at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

JENNY GLEGHORN, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK

SUSAN R. MARSHALL
MAYOR