

FEBRUARY 5, 2024

Mayor Susan R. Marshall called the regular meeting of the Tuckerton Borough Council to order on February 5, 2024 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, Mike Dupuis, Ron Peterson and Mayor Marshall.

Mayor Marshall led the salute to the flag.

The Borough is eligible for the Community Development Block Grant through the County of Ocean. They have received no applications except the Borough's applications to continue the sidewalks on Marine Street.

RESOLUTION #55-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF
TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, ESTABLISHING THE PRIORITY OF
A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
APPLICATION FOR FUNDING IN 2024**

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #55-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

ORDINANCE 1-2024

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER
235, OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON
ENTITLED "TAXATION"**

Mr. Vreeland moved, second by Mr. Martin that the meeting be opened to the public for a hearing on Ordinance #1 of 2024. It was so moved.

Mr. Vreeland moved, second by Mr. Martin the meeting be closed from the public hearing on Ordinance #1 of 2024. It was so moved

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Mr. Vreeland moved, second by Mr. Martin that Ordinance #1 of 2024 be approved on second and final reading. It was so moved by the following vote: Yes – Vreeland, Martin, Colangelo, D’Amore, Dupuis, Peterson; No – none; Abstain – none; Absent – none.

Mr. Martin stated that there will be another “town hall” meeting on March 2nd @ 11am.

Mr. Martin also apologized to Mr. Solimani for not calling him back.

RESOLUTION #56-24

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 #56-24 be approved authorizing payment of claims in the amount of \$1,648,434.01. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #57-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATIVE PRICING WITH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #57-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #58-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REFUND

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #58-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

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RESOLUTION #59-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL 2022 TAXES DUE ON A PROPERTY GRANTED THE 100% DISABLED VETERAN EXEMPTION & REFUND THE RESULTING CREDIT BALANCE

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #59-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Colangelo stated that the Borough will be closed on February 19, 2024 and that trash and recycling pick up will be one day later.

RESOLUTION #60-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDED THE 2024 EMERGENCY STANDBY GENERATOR PANNED PREVENTIVE SERVICE CONTRACT TO RS POWER

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #60-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #61-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDED A QUOTE TO MONMOUTH TRUCK COMPANY FOR SALT SPREADER

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #61-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. D'Amore read the 2023 first aid squad report.

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RESOLUTION #62-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT EXTENSION BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON AND THE LITTLE EGG HARBOR FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES

Mr. D'Amore moved, second by Mr. Colangelo that Resolution #62-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the majority consent of Council. Mr. Dupuis abstained.

RESOLUTION #63-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT EXTENSION BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON AND THE LITTLE EGG HARBOR FIRE DISTRICT NO. 3 FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES

Mr. D'Amore moved, second by Mr. Peterson that Resolution #63-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the majority consent of Council. Mr. Dupuis abstained

Mayor Marshall thanked Penny for all of her hard work at the food pantry.

Mr. Dupuis moved, second by Mr. D'Amore that the minutes of the meetings of December 7, 2023 and January 16, 2024 be approved. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mrs. Gleghorn explained that there was a mistake on the December 7, 2023 minutes, so she corrected them and they needed to be re-voted on.

Mr. Peterson reads the monthly police report for December 2023. A copy of which can be found on file in the Municipal Clerk's office.

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RESOLUTION #64-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH THE COUNTY OF OCEAN FOR A PROSECUTOR'S PROGRAM FOR FY 2024

Mr. Peterson moved, second by Mr. D'Amore that Resolution #64-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mayor Marshall reads a letter from Meals on Wheels.

RESOLUTION #65-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE TUCKERTON BOROUGH PRIDE AND CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #65-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Peterson moved, second by Mr. Vreeland to approve two raffle applications with waiver of fee from Pinelands 4th of July Committee for raffles to take place on Feb 26 and May 7, 2024. It was so moved by majority consent of council. Mr. Martin abstained.

Mr. Peterson moved, seconded by Mr. Vreeland to approve a raffle application with waiver of fee from the Redman's Lodge for various instant raffles through the 2024 year. It was so moved by majority consent of council. Mr. Colangelo and Mr. Dupuis abstained.

RESOLUTION NO. 66-64

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.

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Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Martin that Resolution #66-64 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Peterson stated that Restaurant week will be from 4/27 to 5/4 and told everyone to look out for more information.

Mr. Dupuis read the Construction Report for January 2023; a copy of which is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office for public inspection.

Mr. Dupuis stated that they lost a local fire fighter this week and asked everyone to keep his family in their prayers.

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

Lee Eggert, 121 Willow Landing Terr, thanked the community for letting the fire company serve them and is sorry it had to end this way. He also wanted to know who decided to send the letter on the 26th because he thought there had to be a meeting to make decisions like that. He also asked the Mayor why she lied about who the liaison was going to be. Finally he stated that it's okay for the fire department to be bad but is allowed to have a corrupt police department?

Mr. Connors stated that they did not have to have a meeting to send the letter out because it was a result of not meeting the agreement.

Mayor Marshall stated that she did not lie she was just misinformed.

Paul Solimani, 20 Edgewater Drive, asked if there was an update on the Paradise Cove Sign.

Mr. Connors and Mrs. Gleghorn stated that they dropped the ball a little on this but they are working on it.

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. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the meeting be recessed. The motion was unanimously approved at 7:31 pm.

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the meeting be reconvened. The motion was unanimously approved at 7:55 pm.

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RESOLUTION #67-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF
TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, SUSPENDING AN EMPLOYEE
WITH PAY PENDING FURTHER REVIEW AND
POSSIBLE DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #67-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously approved at 7:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

**JENNY GLEGHORN, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK**

**SUSAN R. MARSHALL
MAYOR**