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Mayor Susan R. Marshall called the regular meeting of the Tuckerton Borough Council to order on April 5, 2021 at 7:00 pm in the Borough Complex.

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, Sam Colangelo, Brian Martin, Frank D'Amore, Suzanne Taylor, Ron Peterson and Mayor Marshall.

Mayor Sue Marshall led the salute to the flag.

RESOLUTION #80-21

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF
TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING IMPROVEMENTS TO
THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 9 AND CENTER
STREET AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A 4-TON
WEIGHT LIMIT ON CENTER STREET FROM
ROUTE 9 TO OAK AVENUE**

Mr. Vreeland moved, second by Mr. Colangelo that Resolution #80-21 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

ORDINANCE #6 OF 2021

**CALENDAR YEAR 2021 – ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL
BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the public hearing for Ordinance #6 of 2021 be opened. So moved.

Carolyn Keen, Curlew Road asked if this means the budget is ready to go to print. And if not what is a CAP bank.

Garrett Loesch, CFO, explained the budget is complete yet this allows for the Borough to have the ability if need be to increase appropriations up to a certain amount which a lot of times is similar to the cost of living adjustments.

There being no further questions or comments, Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the public hearing be closed. So moved.

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Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the governing body approve Ordinance #6 of 2021 on second and final reading. It was so move by the following vote: Yes – Vreeland, Martin, Colangelo, D’Amore, Taylor, Peterson; No – none; Abstain – none; Absent – none.

ORDINANCE #7 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF \$185,708.40 FOR THE PURPOSE OF QUALIFYING THE BOROUGH’S WATER-SEWER UTILITY OPERATING FUND COVID-19 RELATED OPERATING DEFICIT AS A SPECIAL EMERGENCY TO BE CERTIFIED THROUGH THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND THEN SPREAD OVER SEVERAL SUBSEQUENT BUDGETS AS A DEFERRED CHARGE RATHER THAN BUDGETED FULLY IN THE CURRENT OR NEXT YEAR.

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the public hearing for Ordinance #7 of 2021 be opened. So moved.

There being no questions or comments, Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the public hearing be closed. So moved.

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the governing body approve Ordinance #7 of 2021 on second and final reading. It was so move by the following vote: Yes – Vreeland, Martin, Colangelo, D’Amore, Taylor, Peterson; No – none; Abstain – none; Absent – none.

ORDINANCE #8 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS ON CURLEW, KINGFISHER AND BASS ROADS IN THE BOROUGH AND APPROPRIATING \$1,675,000. THEREFOR, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,675,000. IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE THE SAME

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the governing body approve on first reading and schedule second reading for April 19, 2021 of Ordinance #8 of 2021. It was so move by the following vote: Yes – Vreeland, Martin, Colangelo, D’Amore, Taylor, Peterson; No – none; Abstain – none; Absent – none.

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ORDINANCE #9 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AND WATER METERS AND METER PITS ON CURLEW, KINGFISHER AND BASS ROADS IN THE BOROUGH AND APPROPRIATING \$3,240,000. THEREFOR, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,240,000. IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE THE SAME

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the governing body approve on first reading and schedule second reading for April 19, 2021 of Ordinance #9 of 2021. It was so move by the following vote: Yes – Vreeland, Martin, Colangelo, D’Amore, Taylor, Peterson; No – none; Abstain – none; Absent – none.

RESOLUTION #81-21

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

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mrs. Taylor that Resolution #81-21 be approved authorizing payment of claims in the amount of \$84,555.56. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #82-21

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE 2021 FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 1, 2021 THOUGH JUNE 30, 2022

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mrs. Taylor that Resolution #82-21 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #83-21

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE 2021 TEMPORARY CAPITAL BUDGET

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Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #83-21 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #84-21

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A THREE-YEAR AVERAGE FOR THE ANTICIPATION OF REVENUES AFFECTED BY COVID-19 FOR REVENUES ANTICIPATED IN THE BOROUGH'S 2021 BUDGET

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #84-21 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Colangelo stated on April 24th there is a Hazardous Waste Collection in Stafford Township on May 8th in Little Egg Harbor there is a document shredding event.

RESOLUTION #85-21

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR BULKHEAD REPAIR AT THE END OF FAIRWAY DRIVE TO BUTTERICK BULK HEADING

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #85-21 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #86-21

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF A ROAD OPENING PERMIT ON HERON ROAD FOR BLOCK 113 LOT 64 AND GRANTING RELIEF UNDER SECTION 229-15 OF THE BOROUGH CODE

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #86-21 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

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RESOLUTION #87-21

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF
TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, AWARDDING THE 2021 CONTRACT
FOR SENSUS WATER METER PURCHASE
SERVICES TO CORE AND MAIN**

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #83-21 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. D'Amore read the Fire and EMS report from the Tuckerton Fire Department for the months of January, February and March; a copy of which is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office. He also wanted to recognize the Volunteers of the Department for all their hard work and dedication and that he appreciates all that they do.

Mrs. Taylor moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the minutes of the meeting of March 15, 2021 be approved as presented. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Peterson read the Police Report for March 2021, a copy of which is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office for public inspection.

RESOLUTION #88-21

**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 #88-21, appointing Paul Solimani for a term to expire 12/31/21 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland to approve the following Land Use Board appointment:

Robert Rue – Alternate #2 term to expire on 12/31/2022

Mr. D'Amore moved, second by Mr. Colangelo that the governing body authorize a raffle license for the Tuckerton Historical Society to be held on June 26, 2021. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

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

The Tuckerton Historical Society announced they will have a fundraiser for revenue lost because they have not been able to hold the annual flea market; it will be on June 26, 2021 at the Dockside Café and it will be a Pig Roast, they hope everyone can attend.

John Zubrinski, 707 South Green Street, asked if Acme was in Tuckerton or Little Egg Harbor because he thinks there should be a drug store or something along those lines in the Tuckerton area so that the town can generate revenue, he feels the town needs to do more to bring businesses into the town. He then asked what the town plans on doing with the CARES funds they will be getting in excess of \$300,000 because maybe that money can be used for dredging because boats are needed to provide food to people that live in that area. Lastly he stated that he still opposes the special assessment for dredging, the people spoke once and until the material to be removed from the dredging is addressed the lagoons will continue to fill in.

Mr. Loesch explained that money in excess of \$300,000 has to be split in half, meaning the town can use half this year and the other half next year and at this point the towns are waiting on guidance from the State on how it will be placed in the Municipal Budget, but as for the Borough this funding should offset any revenue loss that the Borough will and has experience due to Covid-19.

Peter Gioello, 358 Kingfisher Road, stated Tuckerton for Dredging has been working hard to get the signs “we support dredging” out and the signs are only placed where permission is given. The group is also putting together fact sheets about the special assessment because there is a lot of misinformation spreading throughout the beach area. The group also plans on having a get-together to educate people on the assessment before the voting letters go out and the first meeting is 4-10-21 at South Green Street Park and on 4-14-21 there will be a zoom meeting for the same.

Mike Vermandel, 91 Curlew Road, asked information about the crown of Curlew and what is the pitch of the road going to be.

Mrs. Gleghorn explained the road will be done like every other street in Tuckerton Beach but to give specifics right now is immature because we are just establishing the funding mechanism and once it goes out to bid there will be plans with the grades of the road.

Carolyn Keen, 84 Curlew Road, stated the west side of the beach area will be addressed with the State doing the Tuckerton Creek and although we are not giving up on other sections like Paradise Cove right now the east is in desperate need of the dredging.

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Paul Solmani, 20 Edgewater Drive, stated there some issues along Thompson Creek and he hopes the town will continue to works towards getting something done for Paradise Cove.

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

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously approved at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**JENNY GLEGHORN, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK**

Approved:

**SUSAN R. MARSHALL
MAYOR**