

JUNE 15, 2020

President of Council Sam Colangelo called the regular meeting of the Tuckerton Borough Council to order on June 15, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Borough Complex via GoTo Meeting software.

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, John Schwartz, Sam Colangelo, Frank D'Amore, Mike Santo, Ron Peterson and Mayor Marshall was there, but unable to communicate at first.

Council President Colangelo led the salute to the flag and asked for a moment of silence to remember past Councilman James Bower and Anthony Foglia who just recently passed away.

RESOLUTION #116-20

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

Mr. Schwartz moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #116-20 be approved authorizing payment of claims in the amount of \$278,360.12. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #117-20

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF
TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A CHAPTER 159
FOR THE FY 2020 ALCOHOL EDUCATION DWI
ENFORCEMENT FUND GRANT IN THE 2020
MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

Mr. Schwartz moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #117-20 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

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ORDINANCE #7 OF 2020

REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF THE BOROUGH FUNDING A APPROPRIATION OF THE BOROUGH FUNDING A JUDGEMENT AND APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$184,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$184,000 REFUNDING BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING THE COST THEREOF

Mr. Schwartz moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that meeting be open for public comment on Ordinance #7 of 2020. It was so moved.

Peter Gioiello, 358 Kingfisher Road, asked if this \$184,000 is for the spit of land along Little Egg Harbor Blvd. He was advised that no it was not, it is regarding attorney's fees over the course of three years.

Mr. Schwartz moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the public portion for this ordinance be closed. It was so moved.

Mr. Schwartz moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Ordinance #7 of 2020 be adopted on second and final reading. It was so moved by the following vote: Yes – Vreeland, Schwartz, Colangelo, D'Amore, Santo, Peterson; No – none; Abstain – none; Absent – none.

RESOLUTION #118-20

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE KINGFISHER ROAD ROADWAY PRESERVATION PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$471,960.00

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Schwartz that Resolution #118-20 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Santo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the minutes of the meeting of June 1, 2020 be approved as presented. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

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Mr. Peterson explained he has visited South Green Street Park none stop this past weekend and has not seen any debris or anyone being dirty and he thanked the Public Works Department for keeping up with the cleaning of the park because it has been immaculate.

Mayor Marshall explained the governing body has decided to make Council meetings once a month for July and August so the next Council meeting will be July 20, 2020 at 7 pm.

Mrs. Gleghorn stated the Tuckerton Beach Association has offered to paint the park benches on South Green Street and asked for the governing body's approval. Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. D'Amore authorizing the TBA to paint the benches. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

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

Dave Schlick, 81 Dolphin Road stated he has seen street markings and survey crews along South Green Street, he wants to know if there is a traffic study being done; he then asked if a permit is needed to do a protest, is it true that the Indian Statute on route 9 is being taken down and lastly is the next Council Meeting going to be in person or virtual.

Mayor Marshall and Mrs. Gleghorn explained they don't know anything about what is happening on South Green Street, but will find out and get back to him, as for needing a permit to protest that is not needed, but if the protest shuts traffic down then yes a permit might be needed. There is no talk about the Indian Statute coming down, actually the statute is owned by the Tuckerton Redman Lodge so the town really has no say on that and lastly right now the governor is allowing for a max of 50 people for indoor gatherings so we are not sure how to handle it, but since there is a limit most likely virtual will still be available.

Carolyn Keen, 84 Curlew Road, asked will the town still have residents join virtual or is that just during Covid and will there be fireworks on the 4th of July this year. She also asked if a reduction in the speed limit on South Green Street could happen because everyone is speeding down there and the current speed limit seems to be too fast and lastly she stated she is getting a committee together to clean up the Bay Avenue ballfield.

Mayor Marshall explained the fireworks are postponed until Labor Day at this time because of the cap of 500 people gathering set by Governor Murphy and since South Green Street is a County Road we will try and discuss the reduction of speed with the county but this has been tried before and they did not reduce it. As for the meeting virtually or not, that is still a work in progress, but if we can go back to normal that it would be on facebook live.

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Ann Marie Sweeney, 600 South Green Street, stated it is turtle time on South Green Street and people are going so fast on the street that the turtles are being killed so any help with South Green Street would be greatly appreciated and what is the Borough's attentions with the ballfield, we have a group of volunteers that will do this work, but than what is the plans for it after the work is done. This group is willing to get sponsorships and work together to make it a nice place.

Mayor Marshall stated it is used for a few things but since Covid, baseball has not been using it.

Mrs. Gleghorn explained the Borough would love for it to be back the way it was in the past and it has been used for T-Ball and tournament baseball, but we would like to see more.

Paula Bell, 81 Dolphin Road, asked about the facility use form and whether that is being used at this point, she than asked who cuts over hanging trees along the sidewalks.

Mrs. Gleghorn explained the Borough is in the process of re-vamping the facility use form which would require a security deposit.

Mr. Vreeland explained it could be homeowner's responsibility and that she should contact Mr. Mc Andrew the Code Enforcement Officer.

Peter Gioiello, 358 Kingfisher Road, asked if the Borough is still on track for the spit of land and did anyone look in the 5% bond down payment being from donations being able to happen.

Mr. Schwartz stated the money is into the State of New Jersey and the Borough is waiting on the DEP to advise of any date changes, but right now it's still on July 1st.

Mrs. Gleghorn explained donations have to be approved by the State of New Jersey on how it will appear in the municipal budget, but there is nothing stating it cannot happen, just have to get the fundamentals right and also note that the governing body cannot ask for donations.

Mr. Gioiello than stated he went down to the park on a weekend around 4 pm and the trash cans were overflowing; he then asked if the primary election will be held in person or just by mail.

Mrs. Gleghorn explained that at this point voting machines are being delivered to the Borough hall but not sure if there will be enough poll workers to man an in-person election for the primary.

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John Zubriski, 707 South Green Street, asked for a water fountain at South Green Street Park, he then asked how the excess water usage is billed and lastly if the town wants to make revenue than why is the Borough picking up trash from marinas and not making them use private collection.

Mayor Marshall stated she would look into the fountain.

Mrs. Gleghorn explained the excess bill is billed annually and is based on the amount the resident uses over the allotted amount of 73,000 annually.

Michael Vermandel, 91 Curlew Road, asked if everyone in the Borough is allotted 73,000 annually or is there a different amount for the Tuckerton Beach Residents.

Mrs. Gleghorn explained everyone in the Borough is allotted the same amount and billed the same price.

Nancy Peterson, 86 Curlew Road, asked if there can be a temporary fix for Curlew Road and if a Council person leaves the town what happens to that position on Council.

Mr. Connors explained there will be an appointment for that position.

Mrs. Gleghorn explained that temporary fix cannot be done on Curlew at this time because any fix that is needed there is not something that can be temporary and as for the vacant seat the political party that was represented by the person leaving will suggest 3 names to the governing body and the governing body will then appoint an individual from those names.

Eugene Olivant, 104 Curlew Road, asked why we are waiting on the NJDEP for the revetment project and where are we with the dredging project.

Mr. Schwartz stated the revetment project is run by the NJ DEP it is not a Borough project, they are the project managers and as for the dredging we are still trying to find funding.

Frank Provenzano, Flamingo Road, asked if there is any progress with talking to the National Fish and Wildlife Refuge and getting permission from them to place material on their property, he doesn't understand how one person from the NFWR can allow the sand to run back into the bay.

Jamie Gross, 115 Curlew Road, asked about the TBA Concert and whether or not a motion is needed to hold the concert based on rules set out from the governor and is there any update on the Curlew Road project.

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Mrs. Gleghorn explained there is some things that have to happen in order for the concert to be held and she can get that together and there is still a chance for the fall for Curlew Road, but we have to see how Covid plays out.

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. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously approved at 9:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**JENNY GLEGHORN, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK**

Approved:

**SUSAN R. MARSHALL
MAYOR**