

NOVEMBER 18, 2024

Mayor Susan R. Marshall called the regular meeting of the Tuckerton Borough Council to order on November 18, 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, Michael Dupuis, Ron Peterson and Mayor Marshall.

Mayor Marshall led the salute to the flag.

Mr. Martin expressed his gratitude to the Tuckerton Beach Association and Paradise Cove Uplands Association for their support in helping with the YouTube channel used to stream the monthly commissioner meetings. Their assistance played a key role in ensuring the smooth operation and accessibility of these meetings online.

RESOLUTION #170-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS BETWEEN THE 2024
BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS**

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #170-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #171-24

**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 #171-24 be approved authorizing payment of claims in the amount of \$1,833,718.53. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Martin moved, seconded by Mr. Vreeland that the governing body accept the letter of resignation from Jennifer Place, Deputy Tax/ Utility Collector effective November 13th, 2024. So move by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #172-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CANCEL
UNEXPENDED BALANCES OF BOND ORDINANCE**

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Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #172-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #173-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING KRISTINA DONNELLY DEPUTY TAX/ UTILITY COLLECTOR

Mr. Martin moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that Resolution #173-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

Mr. Colangelo stated hydrant flushing will continue until Thanksgiving. The Department of Public Works will be closed November 28 and 29, 2024 to observe holidays. The Department of Public Works will not be open on Sundays starting December 8th, 2024 until April 6th, 2025.

Mr. D'Amore read the October 2024 fire and EMS report; a copy of which is on file in the municipal clerk's office for public inspection. Mr. D'Amore also thanked Parkertown Fire Company for the job well done with fire prevention at the Tuckerton Elementary School. It was great to see everyone at the open house at the fire house.

Mr. Dupuis moved, second by Mr. Peterson that the minutes of the meeting of October 21, 2024 be approved. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #174-24

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ASSESSING LIEN UPON DWELLINGS OR LANDS FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE PURSUANT TO BOROUGH ORDINANCE 103-2 AND PERMITTED BY N.J.S.A. 40:48-1.14.

Mr. Dupuis moved, second by Mr. D'Amore that Resolution #174-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council. Mr. Vreeland did abstain from 206 Kelly Avenue.

Mr. Dupuis read the October 2024 construction report copy of which is on file in the municipal clerk's office for public inspection.

Mayor Marshall appointed two members of the Land Use Board; Richard Pear for an unexpired term to expire on 12/31/26 and Paul Solimani for an unexpired term to expire on 12/31/27. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

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Mayor Marshall encouraged everyone to view Ocean County 2024 Fall Program Guide and Tuckerton Historical Society newsletter, both contained wonderful information and activities.

RESOLUTION #175-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING AN EXTENTION TO THE WATER AND
SEWER EMERGENCY CONTRACT WITH MATHIS
CONSTRUCTION FOR 2025 YEAR.**

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Martin that Resolution #175-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of Council.

RESOLUTION #176-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF TUCKERTON,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING AN EXTENTION TO ELECTRICAL AND
MECHANICAL EMERGENCY CONTRACT WITH KRS
FOR 2025 YEAR.**

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Martin that Resolution #176-24 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 Lonnie LaVance, Land Use Board member effected November 18, 2024. So moved.

Mr. Martin announced that on December 4th, he will be attending a Rutgers class on the benefits of dredge material for restoration projects. He also shared that Ye Olde Christmas will take place on December 7, 2024. Additional details can be found on the Price and Celebration page of the town's website, he encouraged the community to attend and show their support.

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

Lee Eggert, 121 Willow Landing Terrace, Expressed sad news of the passing of Joe Lutz, a dedicated member of the community. He inquired about the firetruck, asking if it is currently out for bid, where it is located, and when the bidding process will begin. He also questioned why the borough placed a permanent bond on the fire truck and asked if we are selling the truck how we plan to fix that and noted that Tuckerton's bond rating had decreased by two points.

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Additionally, Mr. Eggert raised concerns regarding an EMS call near Railroad Avenue, mentioning that neither the officers on duty nor the fire chief had brought their medical bags in. He requested that if the bags are not going to be used, they be returned. Finally, he asked for an update on the ongoing investigation regarding a complaint filed against a complaint filed against Jenny Gleghorn.

Mr. Martin stated when the fire truck is sold thus funds would pay off the bond and with regards to the bond rating he would have to get back to him once facts are obtained.

Mr. Connors advised the governing body not to discuss the matter regarding Ms. Gleghorn as it's a legal matter and cannot be discussed.

Paul Solmani, thanked to Mr. Martin and Mr. Dupuis for attending the recent meeting. He also extended an invitation to all council members for a gathering at the Grapevine on December 8th, 2024, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. The cost for those wishing to attend is \$22 per plate.

Jim McAndrew, Code Enforcer, Addressed recent complaints regarding a suspicious device on an electric pole, with residents speculating it was a GoPro camera. However, it was determined to be a motion light. He also mentioned that the newly proposed bird feeding law in New Jersey, which would have made it illegal to feed birds, has been suspended. For any questions or concerns, residents are encouraged to contact Governor Murphy.

Kalyn Ullman, 239 S. Green Street, Reminded everyone that New Jersey is still in a stage three fire ban. She expressed gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. Cross for their assistance with the community gardening efforts. Ms. Ullman read a list of items needed at the food pantry. Additionally, during this month's Environmental Commission meeting, it was announced that a Green Team will be formed to address issues related to flooding, erosion, and water quality. Lastly, the Adopt-A-Highway cleanup event is scheduled for April 2025.

There be no further questions or comments, Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Vreeland that the public portion be closed. So moved.

Mr. Colangelo moved, second by Mr. Vreeland that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously approved at 7:37 pm. So moved.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

**JENNY GLEGHORN, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK**

**SUSAN R. MARSHALL
MAYOR**