

**REGULAR COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE WILDWOOD
COMMISSIONERS IN THE COUNTY OF CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY**

Wednesday, March 13, 2024
Commissioner's Meeting Room
Time: 5:04 p.m.

MEETING CALLED

Meeting called to order by the Mayor.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Mikulski leads in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk called the roll and the following Commissioners answered to their names:

Commissioner McConnell – here, Commissioner Mikulski – here, Mayor Troiano – here

OTHERS ATTENDING

Marc DeBlasio, DeBlasio & Associates, PC

Steven A. Morris, Solicitor

Lisa A. Brown, City Clerk

Amanda Neill, Aide to the City Clerk

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

As per N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, the City Clerk read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

PRESENTATIONS: Wildwood High School Girls Basketball Team- The Mayor took the time to honor and congratulate the girl's basketball team and coaches for their success in winning the South Jersey Group 1 Girls Basketball Championship. Mayor Troiano states Wildwood High School is the best school with the best athletes and is so proud of their accomplishments and has high hopes for the team in the future. The Board of Commissioners present the team and coaches with personalized Wildwood High jackets and pose for a photo to commemorate their achievement. Mayor Troiano presents the coaches with a framed Resolution declaring throughout the City of Wildwood, March 14, 2024 will be known as "Lady Warriors Day" stating they have all made their community proud.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

February 28, 2024 Regular Meeting

MOTION: McConnell SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

ORDINANCES:

1282-24 Ordinance Amending Chapter 15 of the General Ordinances of the City of Wildwood governing Street and Sidewalk Openings
(SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION)

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

There being no comment, Public Hearing was closed.

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

MOTION TO ADOPT

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1282-24 has passed Second Reading

1283-24 Bond Ordinance providing an Appropriation of \$4,055,000 for Various Capital Improvements for and by the City of Wildwood in the County of Cape May, New Jersey and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,025,000 in Bonds or Notes of the City of Wildwood for financing part of the Appropriation **(SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION)**

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

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ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

MOTION TO ADOPT

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1283-24 has passed Second Reading

1284-24 Ordinance Amending Chapter 6, Section 14 as to Designated Parking Spaces for Persons with Disabilities **(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)**

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1284-24 has passed First Reading

1285-24 Ordinance to Designate Restricted Areas on City Property, in Buildings, Structures and other Facilities and Limit Access to Authorized Employees and Officials **(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)**

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1285-24 has passed First Reading

1286-24 Ordinance governing the use of Dumpsters on City Streets and Right of Ways

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1286-24 has passed First Reading

BID & SID BUDGETS:

135-3-24 Adoption of the 2024 Wildwood Business Improvement District **(PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION)**

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

There being no comment, Public Hearing was closed.

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

MOTION TO ADOPT

MOTION: McConnell SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

136-3-24 Adoption of the 2024 Wildwood Boardwalk Special Improvement District Budget **(PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION)**

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

There being no comment, Public Hearing was closed.

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

MOTION TO ADOPT

MOTION: McConnell SECOND: Mikulski
ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

RECESS: The Regular Meeting was recessed at 5:14pm by request of Mayor Troiano. Motioned by McConnell and seconded by Mikulski.

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

RECONVENED: The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 5:16pm by motion of McConnell and seconded by Mikulski.

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

RESOLUTIONS: City Clerk read the resolutions listed on the agenda.

- 137-3-24 Authorizing Transfers Between Budget Appropriations
- 138-3-24 Authorizing Emergency Temporary Appropriations
- 139-3-24 Approving Amusement Game License(s)
- 140-3-24 Authorizing DeBlasio & Associates to proceed with Engineering and Construction Phase Services in connection with the Toledo Avenue Water Main Improvements within Wildwood Crest in the amount not to exceed \$30,000.00
- 141-3-24 Establishing a funding contract with the Greater Wildwood Tourism Improvement and Development Authority (GWTIDA) for the 3rd Annual Christmas in July Golf Cart Parade
- 142-3-24 Authorizing contract with Acenda, Inc. for Employee Assistance Program, effective January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 in the amount not to exceed \$6,000.00
- 143-3-24 Authorizing the 2024 Electric Vehicle Charging Station Fees as \$0.48 per kWh for Level 2 Charger and \$0.52 per kWh for Level 3 Charger with Parking Fee \$10.00 per hour
- 144-3-24 Authorizing the execution of all documents associates with the Final Closeout Package for USDA Rural Development funding through the Community Facility Loan and Grant Program for Police Department Utility Truck and Body-Worn Cameras
- 145-3-24 Authorizing the Installation of Bobby Rydell Statue at 4501 Atlantic Avenue
- 146-3-24 Authorizing refund or Special Event permit to The Priscilla E. Frederick Foundation and for 2023 Wildwood Warriors Football Media Day (\$100.00)
- 147-3-24 Approving contract with Remington & Vernick Engineers for 2024 Planning & Zoning Board Conflict Engineer
- 148-3-24 Authorizing DeBlasio and Associates to proceed with preparation and submission of the FY2024 NJDOT Local Transportation project Fund Grant Application – Reconstruction of New York Avenue F2024-00062
- 149-3-24 Authorizing a contract with Rutala Associates, LLC for Grant Management Service for Otten’s Harbor Community Flood Mitigation Project for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00
- 150-3-24 Authorizing a Services Contract with James M. Rutala for Grant Writing Services for 2024 for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00
- 151-3-24 Approving NPP 2024 Implementation Plan Update and submission to the NJ Department of Community Affairs - Neighborhood Preservation Program
- 152-3-24 Authorizing Change Order No. 5 as submitted by Colliers Engineering & Design on behalf of Schiavone Construction, Inc. re: Wildwood Boardwalk Rehabilitation Phase III, IV & V, Redeck Existing Ramp to Welcome Center (\$7,872.00 increase)
- 153-3-24 Authorizing Change Order No. 6 as submitted by Colliers Engineering & Design on behalf of Schiavone Construction, Inc. re: Wildwood Boardwalk Rehabilitation Phase III, IV & V, Remove and Replace Rails at Welcome Center (\$20,774.56 increase)
- 154-3-24 Authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$2,949,091.82 dated March 13, 2024
- 155-3-24 Authorizing filing of all reports and other data contained in this agenda

MOTION: McConnell SECOND: Mikulski
ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

REPORTS:

•Engineers Report – On file in the City Clerk’s Office – Marc DeBlasio states the Bid opening for the Atlantic Avenue Storm Sewer Project is scheduled for next week, March 21, 2024.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

COMMUNICATIONS: Commissioner Mikulski states a DCA Firefighters Grant was obtained for \$52,000.00 for the purchase of 6 breathing apparatus's. This comes at no cost to the tax payers. Commissioner Mikulski says thank you to Governor Murphy, Triad Associates and the Wildwood Fire Department.

NEW BUSINESS:

•Authorizing Raffle Application as submitted by Cape May County Chamber Education Foundation to be held on October 16, 2024 to be held at the Wildwood's Convention Center

MOTION: McConnell SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

OLD BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: During regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners Meeting. Remarks will limit to five (5) minutes per person. The City Clerk will be keeper of time and advise speaker when time has expired. Each member of the public will be permitted to speak only once per meeting. Criticism of public employees will be directed to the Human Resources Department during work hours.

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Regular Business Meeting was recessed at 5:26pm. The City Clerk read the subject(s) to be discussed and Executive Resolution No. 2-3-24 convening this meeting.

•Potential Litigation – Tax Exemption Ordinance

RECONVENED: The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 6:08 pm by motion of McConnell and seconded Mikulski. There was no action taken as a result of Executive Session.

MOTION: McConnell SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

ADJOURNED: There being no further business to discuss, this meeting was adjourned at 6:09 pm. Remarks as typed highlighted not verbatim as to subject matter.

MOTION: McConnell SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

Krista McConnell, COMMISSIONER

Steven Mikulski, COMMISSIONER

Ernest Troiano, Jr., MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
Lisa A. Brown, City Clerk

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: April 10, 2024