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

Wednesday, October 25, 2023 Commissioner's Meeting Room Time: 5:00 p.m.

MEETING CALLED

Meeting called to order by the Deputy 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: Mikulski – here, Fitzsimons – here

OTHERS ATTENDING

Steve O'Connor, Administrator Louis DeLollis, Solicitor Tony Chadwell, Remington & Vernick Engineers 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 Deputy Mayor read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

PRESENTATIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

October 11, 2023 Regular Meeting

MOTION: Mikulski SECOND: Fitzsimons ROLL CALL: Mikulski–Yes, Fitzsimons – Yes

ORDINANCES:

1274-23 Ordinance Amending Chapter 6, Section 14 as to Designated Parking Spaces for Persons with Disabilities (INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)

MOTION: Fitzsimons SECOND: Mikulski ROLL CALL: Mikulski – Yes, Fitzsimons – Yes The Deputy Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1274-23 has passed First Reading

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

<u>RESOLUTIONS</u>: City Clerk read the resolutions listed on the agenda.

- 386-10-23 Authorizing Refund of Taxes for 2023 3rd ¹/₄, due to overpayment to Steven McGuinn (\$1,230.07)
- 387-10-23 Authorizing Refund of Taxes for 2023 3rd ¹/₄, due to overpayment to Land Services USA LLC (\$1,666.57)
- 388-10-23 Authorizing Refund of Taxes for 2023 3rd ¹/₄, due to over payment to Lereta LLC (\$1,429.03)
- 389-10-23 Appointing J. Byrne Agency, Inc. as Risk Management Consultant for the City of Wildwood for a period of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2024
- 390-10-23 Approving Change Order No. Final as submitted by Remington &Vernick Engineers on behalf of Landberg Construction, LLC re: Wildwood City Hall & DPW Parking Lot Improvements (increase of \$109, 423.56 for a new total of \$666,723.56)
- 391-10-23 Authorizing Triad Associates to proceed with preparing and processing a NJDCA Boardwalk Preservation Fund Grant application for an amount not to exceed \$13,500.00
- 392-10-23Authorizing Refund of Week Dumpster Permit to Dennis Walter in the amount of \$35.00
- 393-10-23Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$2,388,000 of General Obligation Bonds, USDA
Series 2023, of the City of Wildwood to finance the costs of various capital improvements to the
City's Water and Sewer Utility System as part of the Taylor Avenue utility improvement project

394-10-23	Adopting revised Employee Policies & Procedures Manual as well as the Managers/Supervisors
	Manual
395-10-23	Approving and Authorizing the execution of an Agreement for Professional Services with
	Appalachia Hydrogeologic & Environmental Consulting, LLC and David A. Stires Associates,
	LLC re: Professional Engineering and Environmental Services for the preparation of permits and
	plans for closure of the Back Bay Landfill for an amount not to exceed \$195,000.00
396-10-23	Approving and Authorizing the execution of an Agreement for Continued Professional Services
	with CME Associates re: Recreation Complex Improvements in an amount not to exceed
	\$30,000.00
397-10-23	Authorizing the use of Neighborhood Preservation Program (NPP) Funds for the Christmas in the
	Plaza event at Byrne Plaza (\$13,655.00)
398-10-23	Authorizing the Deputy Mayor to sign a Sub-Grant Agreement for the Flood Mitigation (FMA)
	Grant Program
399-10-23	Authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$2,767,935.03 dated October 25, 2023
400-10-23	Authorizing filing of all reports and other data contained in this agenda
401-10-23	Amending Contract with Trinity Code for Plumbing, Electrical and Fire Protection Services
	(increase of \$75,000.00 for a new total of \$175,000.00)

MOTION: Fitzsimons SECOND: Mikulski ROLL CALL: Mikulski – Yes, Fitzsimons – Yes

REPORTS:

•Engineers Report – On file in the City Clerk's Office. Remington & Vernick had a project meeting today regarding the LEAD program. Once the plans and specs are sent to IBank, the City can go out to bid.

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>: Deputy Mayor, Fitzsimons states The Wildwood Recreation Center will be hosting Trunk or Treat and for the first time ever, a Haunted Gym, this Friday and Saturday, October 27th and October 28th. She explains that they are very excited for this new event and families and children and sure to have fun and enjoy.

COMMUNICATIONS:

•November 22, 2023 Commissioners Meeting – This meeting will be moved to Wednesday, November 29, 2023 due to Thanksgiving Holiday.

NEW BUSINESS:

•Discussion on Best Practice Inventory- Mr. OConnor explained what Best Practice is and its purpose, stating the City exceeded the minimum score required.

OLD BUSINESS: None

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: 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 only.

<u>Brad Blubaugh, 3010 Ocean Avenue:</u> Mr. Blubaugh had many questions for Deputy Mayor, Krista Fitzsimons, concerning her political campaign. Deputy Mayor Fitzsimons stated she did not wish to discuss that at this time but would be more than happy to speak with him after the meeting. Mr. Blubaugh continued to press the issue when Solicitor, Lou DeLollis explained that this was public comment, not a political debate and that Deputy Mayor Fitzsimons could respond if she would like but was not obligated to.

Kathleen McCullough, 415 West Cresse Avenue: Ms. McCullough explained that there are no street or store lights at Learning and Hudson Avenues making it very dark. She also noted the streets flood at times. The Board of Commissioners stated they will look into addressing this.

ADJOURNED: There being no further business to discuss, this meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm. Remarks as typed highlighted not verbatim as to subject matter.

MOTION: Mikulski SECOND: Fitzsimons ROLL CALL: Mikulski – Yes, Fitzsimons – Yes

Steve Mikulski, COMMISSIONER

Krista Fitzsimons, DEPUTY MAYOR

ATTEST:

Lisa A. Brown, City Clerk

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: November 8, 2023