

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

Wednesday, May 10 2023
Commissioner's Meeting Room
Time: 5:00 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:

Fitzsimons – here, Mikulski – here, Byron - here

OTHERS ATTENDING

Steve O'Connor, Administrator

Louis DeLollis, Solicitor

Tony Chadwell, Remington & Vernick Engineers

Lisa A. Brown, City Clerk

Karen M. Gallagher, Deputy City Clerk

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

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

PRESENTATIONS:

• Presentation by the Wildwood Fire Department – Deputy Fire Chief, Daniel Dunn provided the “Year in Review” presentation. This presentation included the Fire Departments core values, duties, sources of revenue, community outreach events, calls for service and much more. Mayor Byron asked Deputy Chief Dunn why a firetruck follows behind an ambulance on a medical call. Mr. Dunn explained any calls that are considered “life threatening”, unconscious, repertory distress, heart attack, a firetruck will follow. Members on the firetruck will provide assistance tending to the patient if necessary. Mayor Byron asked where the revenue comes from. Mr. Dunn said most of the revenue comes from the insurance companies for services rendered. Other revenue comes from inspections. Mayor Byron commended the Fire Department for doing such a tremendous job. Commissioner Fitzsimons said the City is lucky to have them as well as the children who benefit from attending the summer camp. She said this department makes the City shine and people need to know all this department does. She asked Mr. Dunn to send a copy of his slideshow to Lisa Fagan. Commissioner Mikulski said this department responds to calls calmly and professionally. They all lead by their Core values and should be proud of themselves. The Fire Department has saved the City so much money from actively applying for grants. Commissioner Mikulski could not be more proud of this department.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

April 26, 2023 Regular Meeting

MOTION: Fitzsimons SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: Fitzsimons – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Byron – Yes

ORDINANCES:

1260-23 Ordinance Amending Ordinance No.'s 111-18, 1152-19, 1176-20, 1230-22, 1245-22 and Chapter 6, Section 14 of the Revised General Ordinances in the City of Wildwood entitled “Handicapped Parking Locations” **(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)**

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: Fitzsimons – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Byron – Yes

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1260-23 has passed First Reading

1261-23 Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 3, “Police Regulations”, Sections 3-1A3, 3.3, 3-22 and 3-23; and Chapter 4 – “Beach and Resort Regulations”, Sections 4-1.2, 4-1.8, 4-2.7 and 4-2A of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Wildwood, New Jersey

(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)

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

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1261-23 has passed First Reading

1262-23 Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 4, Section 1, “General Beach and Boardwalk Regulations”, Subsections 4-1.2 “Boardwalk – Prohibited Acts”, and 4-1.8 “Beach – Prohibited Acts” of the Wildwood City Code regarding Public Possession and/or Consumption of Alcohol
(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)

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

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1262-23 has passed First Reading

1263-23 Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 2 of the Wildwood City Code, “Administration, Finance, Revenue and Taxation” with respect to Electric Vehicle Charging Station Fees, and Chapter 6 of the Wildwood City Code, “Traffic” with respect to Parking Restrictions applicable to Electric Vehicle Charging Stations **(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)**

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

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1263-23 has passed First Reading

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

RESOLUTIONS: City Clerk read the resolutions listed on the agenda and noted Resolution “G” has been stricken from the Agenda.

- 210-5-23 Authorizing refund of 2nd quarter taxes due to overpayment (120 E. Burk Avenue, Unit 200, \$1,706.28)
- 211-5-23 Awarding Contract to Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. re: “Water Utility Improvements – Reconstruction of East 5th Avenue, North Wildwood” (\$225,500.00)
- 212-5-23 Authorizing and directing Chief of Police to execute application for participation in the Cops in Shops – Summer Shore Initiative 2023 Program
- 213-5-23 Approving entering into a contract with State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA) to receive Water Payments from the DCA on behalf of Wildwood Water Utility and Wildwood Sewer Utility Customers
- 214-5-23 Designating Intersections for “Flash” Cycle for Traffic Lights
- 215-5-23 Authorizing dates for weekly fireworks display throughout the summer in conjunction with the Special Improvement District (SID)
- 216-5-23 Authorizing Change Order No. 2 as submitted by Colliers Engineering & Design on behalf of Fred M. Schiavone Construction re: Boardwalk Rehabilitation Phase II (Increase of \$231,290.46 for a new total of \$6,935,904.21)
- 217-5-23 Authorizing Return of Escrow Balance Deposits re: Application #32-22, Kathryn Fulginiti, 410 W. Cedar Avenue (\$136.15)
- 218-5-23 Authorizing award of RFQ to Perna Finnigan, Inc. re: Ocean Avenue ADA Ramp Improvements (\$43,980.00)
- 219-5-23 Authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$7,057,907.94 dated May 10, 2023
- 220-5-23 Authorizing filing of all reports and other data contained in this agenda
- 221-5-23 Supporting Brownfield Remediation and Redevelopment at the Wildwood Landfill

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

REPORTS:

•Engineers Report – On file in the City Clerk’s Office. Mr. Chadwell stated the Municipal parking lots are just about complete. Commissioner Fitzsimons asked about the aesthetics. Mr. Chadwell said Public Works would

be planting shrubbery. Mayor Byron asked for an update of the road project at Rio Grande and Pacific Avenues. Mr. Chadwell said they are anticipating completion in a week or two. He made sure Marvis Diner had adequate signage and also took care of the broken window.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

•Authorizing Raffle Application as submitted by New Jersey State Elks Association Special Children's Committee to be held on June 2, 2023, Wildwood's Convention Center, 4501 Boardwalk

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

OLD BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: During regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners Meeting. Remarks will limit to five (5) minutes per person. The Deputy 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.

Mayor Byron stated he went to see the progress on the Boardwalk and it looks fabulous. Work is on schedule and hope to be completed in a couple of weeks. Lumber supplies are short by approximately 10% but should be delivered any day. The new lighting and street ends also look fantastic. Commissioner Fitzsimons said she was impressed how great the Boardwalk looks underneath.

Al Brannen, 217 E. Bennett Avenue: Mr. Brannen would like to see all the dirt and debris removed from the old Shamrock location. Commissioner Mikulski said he spoke with Code Enforcement yesterday and they were issued a violation. It has to go through the process but it will be taken care of. Mr. Brannen asked if it would be removed by summer. Mayor Byron said it would. Mr. Brannen said new owners of the Windward Motel began cleaning the property however, they seemed to have disappeared leaving mattresses and toilets outside. Commissioner Mikulski said Code is aware of this property as well and are taking care of it. Mr. Brannen said the decorative lights on Ocean Avenue from Bennett to Hildreth Avenue have been missing for four years. Commissioner Mikulski said new lights are being installed and will run all the way to Cresse Avenue. Commissioner Fitzsimons informed Mr. Brannen that the new benches have been installed on New Jersey Avenue. Mr. Brannen said it was long over-due but they're beautiful. Commissioner Mikulski advised Mr. Brannen the new curbs and sidewalks are complete on Ocean Avenue. Commissioner Fitzsimons thanked Mr. Brannen for seeing that the beach balls at Byrne Plaza were repainted.

ADJOURNED: There being no further business to discuss, this meeting was adjourned at 5:38 pm. Remarks as typed highlighted not verbatim as to subject matter.

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

Krista Fitzsimons, COMMISSIONER

Steve Mikulski, COMMISSIONER

Peter Byron, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
Lisa A. Brown, City Clerk

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: May 24, 2023