

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

Wednesday, May 12 2021
Commissioner's Meeting Room
Time: 5:03 p.m.

MEETING CALLED

Meeting called to order by the Mayor.

NOTE: This meeting was conducted under the restrictions of the COVID-19 virus, as dictated by the Governor's Office. Members of the public were also invited to participate by utilizing the internet application ZOOM as well as "Go to Meeting". There were 5 members of the public were present via Zoom.

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

Louis DeLollis, Solicitor (via Zoom)

Carl Groon, Municipal Administrator

Steve O'Connor – Administrative Assistant

Robert Regalbuto – Police Chief (via Zoom)

Christopher H. Wood, City Clerk

Lisa Brown, Aide to the City Clerk

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

April 28, 2021 Regular Meeting

MOTION: Fitzsimons SECOND: Mikulski

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

ORDINANCES:

1198-21 Repealing and Restating Chapter 3, Section 23 Entitled "Smoking Prohibited in Certain Public Facilities (**SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION**)

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski

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

There being no comment, the Public Hearing was closed.

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski

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

MOTION TO ADOPT

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski

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

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1198-21 has passed Second Reading.

1199-21 Repealing and Restating Chapter 7 to change existing fees for Special Event Permits and establish new fees for the use of City property for Special Events (**SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION**)

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski

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

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

MOTION TO ADOPT

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski

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

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1199-21 has passed Second Reading.

1200-21 Prohibiting the operation of any class of cannabis business in the City of Wildwood
(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski

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

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1200-21 has passed First Reading.

1201-21 Creating Cannabis Regulations to prohibit smoking, vaping and otherwise consuming cannabis
or cannabis items on public property **(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)**

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski

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

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1201-21 has passed First Reading.

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

RESOLUTIONS: City Clerk read the resolutions listed on the agenda. He announced he received an additional resolution for CME and asked the Board if they would like to add it to tonight's agenda as Addendum I. The Board agreed.

- 185-5-21 Authorizing waiver of bus permit fees for Cumberland Technical Center to drop off employees
- 186-5-21 Authorizing Change Order with CME Associates for engineering services re: Police Dept. Toilet
Facilities (\$21,000.00 increase to \$56,100.00)
- 187-5-21 Authorizing Change Order to RVE for observation services re: Baker Ave. Drainage
Improvements (\$12,000.00)
- 188-5-21 Authorizing refund of Special Event Fee for "Wild Thang" 2020 event due to COVID (\$500.00)
- 189-5-21 Authorizing reimbursement to Class II Officers who successfully completed the course (\$425.00
each)
- 190-5-21 Authorizing Change Order No. 1 as recommended by RVE on behalf of Marandino, LLC for
2019 Capital Improvement Program – Phase 1A (\$126,556.20 increase to new total of
\$3,634,869.20)
- 191-5-21 Requesting approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation \$165,000.00 – Municipal Aid
Program
- 192-5-21 Authorizing contract with RVE for engineering and construction observation services re:
Reconstruction of Taylor Ave (\$67,500.00)
- 193-5-21 Authorizing contract with CME Engineers re: Beach replenishment (\$60,000.00)
- 194-5-21 Authorizing waiver of moratorium re: 237 E. Leaming Avenue
- 195-5-21 Authorizing sale of public land: 201 W. Burk Ave, minimum bid of \$125,000.00
- 196-5-21 Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding with Borough of Avalon re: Construction Code
Services
- 197-5-21 Authorizing right-of-way re: Munisite Networks
- 198-5-21 Authorizing refurbishing of benches on the Boardwalk in conjunction with Special Improvement
District (\$10,000.00)
- 199-5-21 Amending contract with Advanced Video & Sound, LLC (\$30,000.00)
- 200-5-21 Approving Amusement Game License(s)
- 201-5-21 Amending contract with RVE for construction services in connection with 2019 Capital
Improvement Program – Phase 1A (\$6,700.00 increase to \$411,000.00)
- 202-5-21 Authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$3,103,797.65 dated May 12, 2021
- 203-5-21 Authorizing filing of all reports and other data contained in this agenda
- 204-5-21 Authorizing execution of agreement for Professional Services with CME Associates for
engineering service re: Improvements at Maxwell Field playground in the amount not to exceed
\$37,800.00)

MOTION: Fitzsimons SECOND: Mikulski

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

REPORTS:

•Engineers Report – Doug Rohmeyer – CME: Mr. Rohmeyer provided the Board with updates relative to the Police Department ADA Renovations and the Byrne Community Center HVAC system. Specific to the Byrne Community Center, the system is estimated to be delivered by the end of June/beginning of July. He advised

the Community Center will be out of service for one day.

Remington & Vernick: City Clerk announced the Engineer's report is on file in the Engineer's office.

Mayor Byron - Knows there are many concerns with the ongoing road restoration on Ocean Avenue. Mr. Oris has been given a promise by the contractor that the street will be completed by the end of May.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Commissioner Mikulski said a letter was sent out to the residents of the 200 east block of Bennett and Hildreth Avenues in order to gain their sentiments regarding the placement of parking meters in those locations. Many signed a petition requesting the installation of meters. As a result, meters will be installed on the 200 east block of Bennett Avenue. There will be trial of 7-8 metered spots on the 200 east block of Hildreth Avenue. Commissioner Mikulski reminded residents that everyone will have to abide to the laws when parking at a metered spot.

Commissioner Fitzsimons said the Fox Park Concert Series lineup has been booked and the schedule has been released. She encouraged everyone to watch for some other new programs that will be showing up in other parks around the City as they are adding some family fun activities in other locations as well.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

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.

Taylor Henry: Asked why the City chose to take the position they did in regard to Ordinance 1200-21? Mayor Byron said they are not taking a position that will be there forever. By doing this, it will give them time to decipher all the information. He said the Board is looking into putting something together to send out to the community for their feedback on this matter.

Al Brannen, 217 E. Bennett Avenue: Thanked the Board for putting together Ordinances 1200-21 and 1201-21. He knows they put a lot of effort into it.

Robert Regalbuto, Police Chief: Said he has had the chance to review both Ordinances and encouraged the Board to adopt both when the time comes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNED: There being no further business to discuss, this meeting was adjourned at 5:22 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: _____
Christopher H. Wood, City Clerk

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: May 26, 2021.