

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

Wednesday, July 22, 2020
Commissioner's Meeting Room
Time: 6:00 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. The meeting room was open to the first 14 members of the public, and members of the public were also invited to participate by utilizing the internet application ZOOM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

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

Fitzsimons – here, Mikulski – here, Byron - here

OTHERS ATTENDING

Carl Groon, Administrator

Lou Delollis, Solicitor

Steve O'Connor – Administrative Assistant

Christopher D'Amico, Superintendent of Public Works

Karen M. Gallagher, Deputy 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:

July 8, 2020 Regular Meeting

MOTION: Fitzsimons SECOND: Mikulski

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

ORDINANCES:

1171-20 Repealing and Restating Chapter 15, Section 1, Entitled "Streets and Sidewalks: Excavation and Construction of Public Streets" (**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. 1171-20 has passed Second Reading

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT LIMITED TO RESOLUTIONS ONLY:

Jennifer Wetzel, 210 W. Maple Avenue: Ms. Wetzel asked if there has ever been recycling bins on the Boardwalk. Commissioner Mikulski said, they are located by the bathrooms however, not along the Boardwalk. Commissioner Fitzsimons said the City has added more trashcans due to COVID however; recycling cans will be harder to find. Ms. Wetzel said she has noticed many markings on Maple Avenue and asked if there is going to be work going on, on her street. Christopher D'Amico said the gas company is doing preliminary work for

future EVO valves, with no start date set as of yet. As soon as the City is aware of a start date, they will advise everyone. Commissioner Fitzsimons noticed they were doing work on the poles as well. Mr. D'Amico said they are doing termite control by inspecting the polls. Ms. Wetzl requested the City place a "stop" line on Maple Avenue and the intersection of New York Avenue in an effort to reduce traffic from flying down the street. Commissioner Mikulski said he would address it.

Debbie Sweeney, 101 W. Poplar Ave: Ms. Sweeney said she had several issues to report. First, she noticed she had missing items in her yard. Upon contacting the Police, she was told to install cameras, which she believed to be an unacceptable answer. She said the issues stem from the property located at 103-105 W. Poplar Avenue. On one occasion, she found a young man passed out on her porch and notified the Police. She said the Police never arrested him, just released him to his parents and the individual was back in the house next door 6 hours later. She has located a 14-year-old run away located at the same property. She has found another person sleeping in her yard, and has also contacted the Police for a fistfight and a noise complaint however, the Police never showed up. Commissioner Mikulski asked if this property was a seasonal property or year round property and if she knew who the owner was. She said, it is operated as a yearly rental and the owners name is Jacek Bartha. Ms. Sweeney is also concerned about the overgrown grass and debris in the neighboring properties. Commissioner Mikulski said he would address these issues with both Police and Code Enforcement.

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

- 282-7-20 Authorizing refund to Asset Protection Unit, Inc. for duplicate payment of Ambulance Billing (\$188.52)
- 283-7-20 Authorizing Professional Service Contract with CME Associates regarding DPW Storage Yard Contamination at Spicer Avenue in the amount not to exceed (\$13,910.00)
- 284-7-20 Authorizing refund to Eric McLaughlin for 2020 Beach Box due to COVID-19 (\$75.00)
- 285-7-20 Authorizing Professional Service Contract with CME Associates regarding Municipal Site Contamination in the amount not to exceed \$26,120.00
- 286-7-20 Authorizing Increasing Bid Threshold under Local Public Contracts Law
- 287-7-20 Authorizing refund to Dolores Niederberger for 2020 Mercantile License (\$327.00)
- 288-7-20 Authorizing Professional Service Contract with CME Associates regarding Back Bay Redevelopment Plan in the amount not to exceed \$24,750.00
- 289-7-20 Authorizing a partial refund to Marina Bay Condo Association, Inc. for Construction Permit (\$85.00)
- 290-7-20 Authorizing a partial refund to Adelphia-Ebas, Inc., t/a Boardwalk Bar & Grill for 2020 Mercantile License due to COVID-19 (\$655.50)
- 291-7-20 Authorizing Professional Service Contract with DeBlasio & Associates regarding Bayside Bulkhead and Perimeter GIS Elevational Mapping in the amount not to exceed \$35,000.00
- 292-7-20 Authorizing Professional Service Contract with CME Associates regarding Landfill Closure Contamination in the amount not to exceed \$79,516.00
- 293-7-20 Approval to submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Agreement with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for FY2021 FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Program; Bulkhead
- 294-7-20 Authorizing the City of Wildwood to submit an Eligibility Determination and Funding application to the United States Department of Agriculture for the Wildwood Boardwalk Infrastructure System
- 295-7-20 Authorizing the Public Works Program Grant from the United States Economic Development Administration; Pacific Avenue
- 296-7-20 Rejecting bids and re-advertising for bids re: 2020-2021 City of Wildwood, Sewer Utility and Water Utility Paving and Paving Repairs
- 297-7-20 Authorizing payment in the amount of \$3,038,698.91 dated July 22, 2020
- 298-7-20 Authorizing filing of all reports and other data contained in this agenda
- 299-7-20 Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation
- 300-7-20 Authorizing refunds for the 5th Annual Wildwood Baseball Tournament due to COVID-19 (various)
- 301-7-20 Authorizing the advertisement for bids for 2019 Capital Improvement Program – Phase 2A on Thursday, July 23, 2020 edition of the City's Official News Publication(s), with bids being received on August 26, 2020 at 9:30 am

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

REPORTS:

Engineers Report – On file in the Engineer's office. Jim Orris delivered the Engineers Report via Zoom. He

added that the artist painting the water tower did come and was not able to proceed due to condensation. He will be back after Labor Day. He also stated that the Phase 2 project is moving forward and the Phase 1A project has construction set to begin after Labor Day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

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.

NOTE: There were 4 people in attendance via the internet application ZOOM.

None.

EXEVUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNED: There being no further business to discuss, this meeting was adjourned at 6:16 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: _____

Karen M. Gallagher, Deputy City Clerk

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: August 12, 2020