

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

Wednesday, April 27, 2022  
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**

Deputy City Clerk called the roll and the following Commissioners answered to their names:  
Fitzsimons – here, Mikulski – here, Byron - here

**OTHERS ATTENDING**

Louis DeLollis, Solicitor  
Steve O'Connor, Administrator  
Jim Oris, R&V  
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:**

April 13, 2022 Regular Meeting

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

**ORDINANCES:**

1227-22            Repealing and Amending Chapter 11-4, Establishing Uniform Regulations for the Construction and Repair of Bulkheads **(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, 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. 1227-22 has passed Second Reading

1229-22            Bond Ordinance Authorizing Boardwalk Reconstruction and Back-Bay Improvements **(SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION)**

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING  
MOTION: Byron                      SECOND: Mikulski  
ROLL CALL: Fitzsimons – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Byron – Yes

Kathy McCullough, 415 W. Cresse Avenue: Ms. McCullough asked what was needed concerning the Back Bay Improvements. Mayor Byron said the City would need to bond money to do research in continuation with the Back Bay redevelopment for environmental purposes. Mr. O'Connor said the City has to bring in professionals to see what is considered buildable, undevelopable, how much fill will be required, etc. The studies performed in the past are now outdated and additional restrictions have been imposed since then.

There being no further comments, this 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. 1229-22 has passed Second Reading

1230-22            Amending Chapter 6 Entitled Handicapped Parking Locations **(SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION)**

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

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

Mayor Byron explained every time a new handicapped parking spot has been designated it must be approved by Ordinance.

There being no further comments, this 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. 1230-22 has passed Second Reading

1231-22                      Ordinance Regulating Traffic Movements on Ocean Avenue and Amending the Wildwood City Code (**SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION**)

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

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

Kathy McCullough, 415 W. Cresse Avenue: Ms. McCullough asked for the details of the traffic pattern changes. Commissioner Mikulski explained there will now be two 14ft. lanes heading north and one lane heading south, on Ocean Avenue. This change was made after a traffic study was performed and proved to enhance the safety of motorist, pedestrians and bicyclists. Commissioner Fitzsimons thanked Commissioner Mikulski for taking on this task as navigating Ocean Avenue has been a challenge for everyone, especially pedestrians and hopes these changes will also cut down on speeding. She was pleased that this project was packaged in with another project in an effort to save money. Commissioner Mikulski stated the crosswalks would also be widened.

There being no further comments, this 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. 1231-22 has passed Second Reading

1232-22                      Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 7 “Licensing” Regarding the Licensing and Regulation of Jitney’s in the City of Wildwood (**SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION**)

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

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

Mayor Byron announced the City was approached by a Jitney service from Atlantic City. It was agreed that this service would provide an additional convenience to residents and visitors to move around the town without having to locate parking. The amount for this service is very trivial.

There being no further comments, this 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. 1232-22 has passed Second Reading

1233-22                      Refund Bond Ordinance providing for all of the City of Wildwood’s outstanding callable (General Improvement Bonds, Water Utility Bonds and Sewer Utility Bonds) (**INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING**)

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

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1233-22 has passed First Reading

**EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

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

- 194-4-22 Authorizing the submission of an application to the New Jersey Local Finance Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51 and N.J.S.A. 40A:2-55
- 195-4-22 Authorizing purchase of new 700/800 Mhz. portable police radios, with supporting equipment, support, accessories and warranty with the State Contract Vendor Motorola Solutions, c/o Wireless C&E (\$357,611.00)
- 196-4-22 Authorizing submission of a Grant Application and execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Community Capital Needs Grant Program
- 197-4-22 Authorizing Triad Associates to proceed with City of Wildwood Congressionally Directed Spending for FY2023 – Booker Application Boardwalk Reconstruction Project
- 198-4-22 Authorizing Shared Services Agreement between the City of Wildwood, City of North Wildwood and the Borough of West Wildwood for the purpose of Consolidation of Solid Waste Tipping Disposal
- 199-4-22 Approving a proposal as submitted by Designing Local to serve as a consultant to the City of Wildwood and assist in the final design of various project elements that will receive funding from the Cape May County Open Space Program re: Byrne Community Center (\$15,800.00)
- 200-4-22 Authorizing Emergency Temporary Appropriations
- 201-4-22 Amending Resolution No. 144-3-21 entitled “State Contract with Municipal Equipment Enterprises for Emergency Equipment to be installed in six newly purchased vehicles for Wildwood Police Department (increase of \$7,659.31 to a new total of \$67,432.10)
- 202-4-22 Authorizing amendments to Ordinance No. 1197-21, Section 4-1.4: Speed Limit lowered to 5mph; Access points to the Boardwalk is limited to Schellenger Avenue, only; Service/Maintenance Vehicles in excess of 2,500lbs are strictly limited to the area between Schellenger and Oak Avenue
- 203-4-22 Amending Resolution No. 147-3-22 for a contract with Advanced Audio & Sound for Video and Audio Upgrades (\$5,975.00 increase for a new total of \$26,485.00)
- 204-4-22 Authorizing refund to John Sylvester, III, for unused Mercantile License due to property being sold (\$336.00)
- 205-4-22 Authorizing Remington & Vernick Engineers to proceed with Professional Engineering Services with Ocean Avenue Lane Configuration Design & Construction Services (\$17,500.00)
- 206-4-22 Authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$2,750,816.01 dated April 27, 2022
- 207-4-22 Authorizing filing of all reports and other data contained in this agenda
- 208-4-22 Authorizing fireworks dates for weekly displays throughout the summer in conjunction with the Special Improvement District (SID)
- 209-4-22 Amending Resolution No. 197-5-21; Authorizing Small Wireless Facility Right-of-Way Agreement with Munisite Networks
- 210-4-22 Authorizing an agreement between the City of Wildwood and the Sewrad John Atelier, Inc. to loan the City seven (7) pieces of art to be displayed in four City Parks to create an interactive exhibit for residents and visitors from May to October (\$10,000.00)
- 211-4-22 Authorizing contract with Tri-Marketing Group, LLC for Social Media Services (\$24,990.00)
- 212-4-22 Approving and authorizing the execution of an agreement with CM3 Building Solutions for the set-up/ installation of a Temporary Chiller (\$35,840.00)
- 213-4-22 Authorizing cancellation of Capital Improvement Appropriations
- 214-4-22 Approving Amusement Game License(s)
- 215-4-22 Authorizing payment of bill list report – Additional 1 in the amount of \$15,573.69 dated April 27, 2022

MOTION: Fitzsimons

SECOND: Mikulski

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

**REPORTS:**

•Engineers Report – Jim Oris – Remington & Vernick: Report on file in the City Clerk’s Office. Mr. Oris reported that Ocean Avenue will be complete by the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in May. Phase II project – the contractor is working towards having the street paved by Memorial Day. The last phase on Taylor Avenue will take place in the Fall. R&V is working with Triad for additional grant money for Taylor Avenue. Mayor Byron asked if the pump was removed on Burk Avenue. Mr. Oris said yes, it was temporarily while the area was under construction. The pump had to be removed to install drainage. Upon completion of construction, the pump will be returned. Mr. Oris doesn’t feel the pump will be necessary once the pump on Rio Grande Avenue is complete. The Wharf is also repairing the bulkheads, which is an integral part of the flooding. The Burk Avenue pump will be put in service by Public Works.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Mayor Byron announced the Boardwalk project is moving along and there is a good chance it will be complete in the next two weeks. This time next year the Boardwalk from Cedar Avenue to 26<sup>th</sup> Street will be done.

**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.

**Joe Hueter, 103 E. Oak Avenue:** Mr. Hueter lives on a heavily traveled street and the road could use improvements. Mayor Byron said the City is putting together a 3-5 year plan to handle street improvements in phases. They are documenting and prioritizing each street that is in need of repair. Commissioner Fitzsimons said they are prioritizing the worst, most traveled streets. With the expense of \$200,000.00 to complete one block from corner to corner, repairing all the streets isn’t feasible. So by doing this 3-5 year plan, it will help ease that cost and they are also looking for ways to combine these repairs with other projects that are happening.

Kathy McCullough, 415 W. Cresse Avenue: Ms. McCullough asked if the City is repairing all of Pacific Avenue as she recalls that road was fixed not too long ago. Mr. Oris said Cresse Avenue to Montgomery Avenue is in a design phase right now. Ms. McCullough asked if the developers will have to pay an impact fee. Mayor Byron and Mr. Oris both said developers could not be forced to pay an impact fee however, they would be responsible for developing the area according to need. Commissioner Mikulski said Pacific Avenue also ties into the Ocean Avenue pump project. The Ocean Avenue pump will greatly reduce the flooding on Pacific Avenue.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

**ADJOURNED:** There being no further business to discuss, this meeting was adjourned at 5:36 pm. Remarks as typed highlighted not verbatim as to subject matter.

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

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Krista Fitzsimons, COMMISSIONER

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Steve Mikulski, COMMISSIONER

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Peter Byron, MAYOR

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Karen M. Gallagher, Deputy Clerk

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: May 12, 2022