

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

Wednesday, October 27, 2021  
Commissioner's Meeting Room  
Time: 5 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**

Louis DeLollis, Solicitor  
Steve O'Connor, Administrator  
Carl Groom, Special Projects Administrator  
Doug Rohmeyer, CME  
Jim Oris, R&V  
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:**

October 13, 2021 Regular Meeting  
October 20, 2021 Special Meeting

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

**ORDINANCES:** City Clerk announced an additional Ordinance was added to this agenda and, if the Board agreed, would be introduced as Ordinance 1212-21. The Board agreed.

1210-21           Capital Ordinance for the Wildwood Water Utility, \$480,000.00 (**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, 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. 1210-21 has passed Second Reading.

1211-21           Amending the General Revised Ordinance of the City of Wildwood, in conjunction with the  
Borough of Wildwood Crest & the City of North Wildwood re: GWTIDA Partnership  
**(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)**

MOTION: Byron               SECOND: Mikulski  
ROLL CALL: Fitzsimons – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Byron – Yes  
The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1211-21 has passed First Reading.

1212-21           Authorizing the execution of an Encroachment Agreement with 3615 Pacific Avenue, LLC to  
permit improvements associated with the development of 3601-3615 Pacific Avenue to be  
located in the City Right-Of-Way (**INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING**)

MOTION: Byron               SECOND: Mikulski  
ROLL CALL: Fitzsimons – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Byron – Abstain  
The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1212-21 has passed First Reading.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The City Clerk asked the Solicitor if he and the Board wished to move forward with introducing the Ordinance below. He said not at this time.

- Repealing and Restating Chapter 28, Article II Establishing Procedures and Standards Regarding Deployment of Small Wireless Facilities in Public Rights-of-Way in the City of Wildwood

**EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE RESOLUTIONS:** None.

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

- 395-10-21 Authorizing the 2021 Accelerated Tax Sale
- 396-10-21 Authorizing return of Escrow Balance Deposits (Application #08-21, Tina Keller and Application No. 20-20 Sciarra Properties, LLC)
- 397-10-21 Authorizing a refund to Libero & Nancy DeAngelis for a Construction Permit (\$317.00)
- 398-10-21 Authorizing refund of taxes due to overpayment (228 W. Magnolia Avenue, \$2,209.51)
- 399-10-21 Requesting approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation under the caption of Cooperative Housing Inspections Program – FY 2021 (\$6,583.00)
- 400-10-21 Authorizing return of Cash Maintenance Bond to Kelly Barton (\$3,260.88)
- 401-10-21 Authorizing an Amended Contract with Tri Marketing Group for Communication and Social Media Management Services (\$26,070.00)
- 402-10-21 Appointing J. Byrne Agency, Inc. as Risk Management Consultants for the City of Wildwood
- 403-10-21 Authorizing waiving Special Event Application fee as submitted by the Glenwood Avenue Elementary School to host a Block Party on October 27, 2021
- 404-10-21 Authorizing refund for Special Event Application as submitted by Seven Slot Sales, LLC for Oversand EXPO due to cancellation (\$500.00)
- 405-10-21 Approving Atlantic County Improvement Authority as Redevelopment Entity for Pacific Avenue Redevelopment Initiative
- 406-10-21 Approving Memorandum of Agreement between the City and the County as to the Pacific Avenue Redevelopment Initiative
- 407-10-21 Authorizing an Amended Contract with Master DJ & Sound for Front House, State Sound, Power, Back Line, Lighting Hardware and Lights for Special Events (\$10,300.00)
- 408-10-21 Extending Parklet Program between the City and the Wildwood Business Improvement District Management Corporation (BID)
- 409-10-21 Authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$3,300,744.00 dated October 27, 2021
- 410-10-21 Authorizing filing of all reports and other data contained in this agenda

MOTION: Fitzsimons

SECOND: Mikulski

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

**REPORTS:**

- Engineering Report(s):

Doug Rohmeyer, CME: Report on file in the City Clerk’s Office. Mr. Rohmeyer stated work is now beginning inside the Byrne Recreation Center Building to connect in HVAC units. Commissioner Fitzsimons asked if she could plan on early January to continue with organized activities in the building. Mr. Rohmeyer said yes, as long as there are no unexpected problems.

Jim Oris, Remington & Vernick: Report on file in the City Clerk’s Office. Commissioner Mikulski stated Pacific Ave. was pretty much dry after the most recent nor’easter and thanked Mr. Oris for all his work.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Commissioner Fitzsimons - Announced the City, in collaboration with 98.7 the Coast, will be sponsoring the second annual Trunk-or-Treat event at Fox Park on October 30, 2021 from 3pm-6pm with a guest appearance from John Lynch. She said there’s still time to register for this event.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** 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.

David Benson, 3910 Susquehanna Avenue: Mr. Benson would like a stop sign placed at Spicer and Susquehanna Aves. He said vehicles are speeding down the street, and it is a safety concern for everyone. Commissioner Mikulski said the Board is aware and is working on it. Commissioner Fitzsimons said this was brought up at the last meeting, and everyone is on board to make this happen. She said as much as they would like to just place a stop sign at that intersection, there’s a process that has to be followed. The Engineer is working on a traffic study to see if these locations warrant stop signs. Mr. Rohmeyer explained the process of the study and said he already has a request in for the traffic history of the area. A radar will be placed in the vicinity to track patterns as well as speed.

Lisa Farina, 3904 Susquehanna Avenue: Ms. Farina said the back roads are heavily traveled by patrons of the Fire House Tavern and Ship N Shore bar, who use Susquehanna Ave. to avoid the traffic lights. She said she’s even assisted the Police Department in the apprehension of a drunk driver.

Mike Merola, 3902 Susquehanna Avenue: Mr. Merola suggested placing temporary speed bumps in the area. Mr. Rohmeyer said in order to do this, the process would be similar to the process of implementing stop signs. He said he believes Susquehanna Ave. would be a good candidate for speed bumps, but he would still have to do an analysis.

Mary Merola, 3902 Susquehanna Avenue: Ms. Merola said they have tried everything possible to slow down traffic on Susquehanna Avenue before voicing their concerns here, including parking on both sides of the road, in attempt to slow down traffic. Mr. Rohmeyer asked if there was a consensus of the neighbors on Susquehanna Ave., relative to the implementation of stop signs. Ms. Merola said yes, and said that a majority of those neighbors are present at tonight's meeting.

Kevin Murray, 210 W. Davis Avenue: Mr. Murray agrees with the speeding in town, and suggested hiring someone similar to former employee Miriam Peterson, who was a well-known meter maid. Mr. Murray applauded the Board on doing a great job.

Al Brannen, 217 E. Bennett Avenue: Mr. Brannen gave a little history of Miriam Peterson and said she would go through four ticket books in one day. Mr. Brannen said it is imperative that members of the Board gather as a group, and go to Pacific Ave. to discuss the redevelopment and improvements. He also requested that someone put Trick or Treat information in front of the DooWop building. Commissioner Fitzsimons said she would handle that immediately.

James Volpe, Wildwood Dispatch: Asked when Trick or Treat would be held. The City Clerk said Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5PM-7PM, island wide.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The Regular Meeting was recessed at 5:34 pm by motion of Commissioner Fitzsimons, seconded by Commissioner Mikulski. The City Clerk read the subject(s) to be discussed and Executive Resolution No. 2-10-21 convening this meeting.

- Contractual Matter – NJDEP as to the State Aid Agreement and Dune Project

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

**RECONVENED:** Meeting reconvened by Comm. Fitzsimons in the Commissioners Meeting Room at 6:56 pm.

**ADJOURNED:**  
There being no further business to discuss, this meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

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

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Krista Fitzsimons, COMMISSIONER

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Steve Mikulski, COMMISSIONER

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Peter Byron, MAYOR

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher H. Wood, City Clerk

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: November 10, 2021.