

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

Wednesday, February 23, 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

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 Groon, Special Advisor to BOC
Jim Oris, R&V
Patrick Rosenello, BID/SID
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:

February 9, 2022 Regular Meeting

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

BID & SID BUDGETS:

80-2-22 2022 Wildwood Business Improvement District Budget – Public Hearing

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

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

Al Brannen: Mr. Brannen said the trashcans on the corners are in bad condition and asked if they would be replaced. Mr. Rosenello said there is money in the budget for the cans and a meeting has been scheduled to determine whether they would be repaired or replaced. Mr. Brannen asked for a status update about the damaged PA system on the Boardwalk. Mr. Rosenello said the fiber optics were damaged and to repair them is a big expense. They are working on a way to fund those repairs. Mr. Brannen asked who cut the line. Mr. O'Connor said it was a City employee but both the City and the SID are working together to finalizing funding for the repair.

There being no further comments, 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 the 2022 Wildwood Business Improvement District Budget has been adopted.

81-2-22 2022 Wildwood Special Improvement District Budget – Public Hearing

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

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

Commissioner Fitzsimons asked if there is money in the budget for new trashcans on the Boardwalk. Mr. Rosenello said they would all be power washed before they are placed on the Boardwalk. Commissioner Mikulski asked if they would be replacing the 55-gallon metal drums. Mr. Rosenello said those cans have not been used since the beginning of Covid and they should all be gone. They had to use them due to the increase of trash during the onset of Covid.

There being no further comments, 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 the 2022 Wildwood Special Improvement District Budget has been adopted.

ORDINANCES:

1222-22 Renewing a five-year tax exemption program for 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

Kathy McCullough: Ms. McCullough asked what property this ordinance was pertaining to. Mayor Byron said it is not specific to one property; it is for all properties, commercial and residential.

There being no further comments, 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. 1222-21 has passed Second Reading

1223-22 Authorizing exceeding the municipal budget appropriation limits and to establish a CAP bank
(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski
ROLL CALL: Fitzsimons – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Byron – Yes
The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1223-22 has passed First Reading.

1224-22 Long term tax exemption in accordance with state statutes for 2021 (**INTRODUCTION/FIRST
READING**)

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski
ROLL CALL: Fitzsimons – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Byron – Yes
The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1224-22 has passed First Reading.

1225-22 Amending Ordinance re: Bicycle hours on the Boardwalk (**INTRODUCTION/FIRST
READING**)

Commissioner Mikulski stated the bike hours went from June 15th – September in 2021. This year bike hours will begin on May 15th to limit bicycle traffic due to increased foot traffic. This ordinance will also be unified with North Wildwood’s ordinance.

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

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1225-22 has passed First Reading.

1226-22 Amending Chapter 4 of the City's Code re: Special Event applications and fees
(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski
ROLL CALL: Fitzsimons – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Byron – Yes
The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1226-22 has passed First Reading.

1227-22 Amending Chapter 11 of the City's Code re: Construction and repair of bulkheads
(INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)

MOTION: Byron SECOND: Mikulski
ROLL CALL: Fitzsimons – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Byron – Yes
The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1227-22 has passed First Reading.

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

RESOLUTIONS: City Clerk read the resolutions listed on the agenda and stated he received two additional Resolutions that would be listed, as Addendum I & II, should the Board wish to consider at this meeting. Mayor Byron asked for an explanation on Resolution "O". Commissioner Fitzsimons said they are purchasing a software system for special events. This system will be an online version of the paper applications allowing event coordinators to complete the application and pay for the permits online. It will automate and streamline the process.

- 82-2-22 Authorizing Emergency Temporary Appropriations
- 83-2-22 Authorizing transfers between budget appropriations
- 84-2-22 Authorizing Professional Services contract with Advanced Geo Services re: service line replacement program (\$15,800.00)
- 85-2-22 Authorizing RVE to proceed re: City of Wildwood Roadway Inventory (\$17,000.00)
- 86-2-22 Amending 2021 Agreement with Triad Associates for services re: grant writing (\$570.00 increase to \$15,570.00)
- 87-2-22 Authorizing Professional Services Contract with RVE re: Application for multi-municipal water service replacement (\$16,000.00)
- 88-2-22 Authorizing RVE to proceed with engineering services re: Reconstruction of Taylor Avenue (\$185,600.00)
- 89-2-22 Authorizing refund of first quarter taxes to 129 W. Juniper Avenue due to overpayment (\$1,018.67)
- 90-2-22 Approving Pacific Avenue Neighborhood District Implementation Plan
- 91-2-22 Authorizing Shared Services Agreement with West Wildwood re: Construction Code Services
- 92-2-22 Authorizing Shared Services Agreement with Wildwood BOE re: Special Police Services
- 93-2-22 Authorizing refund of sewer billing to 5100 New Jersey Avenue due to overpayment (\$48.00)
- 94-2-22 Approving Agreement with Renaissance Craftables for Christmas in July Fox Park event
- 95-2-22 Authorizing RFQP for Waste Removal re: Summer Concert(s) on the beach
- 96-2-22 Authorizing Agreement with Apply4 (\$8,495.00)
- 97-2-22 Authorizing refund of taxes on 2021 first quarter taxes to 328 E. Maple Avenue, due to Mother Lot being deleted (\$18.51)
- 98-2-22 Authorizing refund of taxes on 2021 first quarter taxes to 145-147 E. Hand Avenue due to Mother Lot being deleted (\$2,026.25)
- 99-2-22 Authorizing Change Order No. 1 as recommended by DeBlasio Associates on behalf of Asphalt Paving Systems for the project: Denver, Stockton & Trenton Avenues, Watermain Improvements (\$39,355.00 decrease to \$241,063.00)
- 100-2-22 Authorizing RVE to proceed with engineering services re: Reconstruction of Pacific Avenue (\$212,000.00)
- 101-2-22 Authorizing Amusement Game License(s)
- 102-2-22 Authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$3,079,771.48 dated February 23, 2022
- 103-2-22 Authorizing filing of all reports and other data contained in this agenda
- 104-2-22 Amending Resolution No. 6-1-20 re: Official Signatories

105-2-22 Amending Resolution No. 23-1-22 re: Crest Savings Bank Cash Management Program for City accounts.

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 the issue with the slope on West Burk Avenue will be corrected within the next 30 days. Commissioner Fitzsimons asked when the construction would begin on Pacific Avenue. Mr. Oris said it is set to begin in October. Commissioner Mikulski asked what street the work would begin on. Mr. Oris said the watermain work will begin at Rio Grande Avenue and head north. He anticipates the work being completed by May 31st, 2023.

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 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.

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNED: There being no further business to discuss, this meeting was adjourned at 5:28 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: March 10, 2022