

Note: Complete Meeting Appears  
On Borough of Wildwood Crest Facebook page and You tube by date

May 25, 2022

The Mayor led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Borough of Wildwood Crest, Cape May County, New Jersey, was held at Borough Hall at 5:30 p.m. On roll call the following answered to their names:

Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

Mr. Cabrera read the following statement: In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, the notice requirements have been satisfied as to the time, place and date of holding said meeting by posting notice on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall and by e-mailing and same to the Herald of Cape May County and The Press on October 13, 2021.

Mr. Cabrera next announced the one-way in and the one-way out method of ingress and egress in case of emergency.

The Mayor noted for the record that that this meeting was open to the public in accordance with Executive Orders and there is no longer a limit restriction for indoor gatherings and that the meeting could be streamed online at Borough's Facebook page YouTube page.

Prior to the ordinance introduction, Commissioner Schiff requested Chief Lloyd present his report so he could attend a family function.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:**

##### **Chief Lloyd (Police)**

##### **May Report to Commission**

1. The Wildwood Crest Police Department sends its condolences to the Uvalde, TX community following the horrible tragedy yesterday. We are saddened by the senseless act and are thinking of all of those that were affected.  
I want the community to know that the safety of the children at our school is paramount to the school district and our Police Department. We will continue to remain vigilant and work with the school staff to offer the safest learning environment possible. You will see a ramped up presence of officers at the school for the time being. This is not to startle anyone but is being done as a precaution. Please remember, if you see something say something.
2. Memorial Day weekend is here. Please be careful navigating the island with the holiday traffic, vehicle and pedestrian. Be safe and enjoy the weekend.
3. Reminder that we are participating in the Highway Traffic Safety Click it or Ticket Seat Belt Mobilization which runs to June 5<sup>th</sup>. Please buckle up and make sure your children are also secured.
4. Our Police K9s and their handlers will be on the street patrolling Wildwood Crest starting on Friday. K9 Quest and P/O Tyler Lavender and K9 Flex and P/O Zac Magnativa will be out there utilizing their training to help ensure the safety and security of this community. They are excited to get to work.

##### **Chief Harwood (EMS, FIRE, etc)**

From April April 26,2022 thru May 23, 2022, the **Wildwood Crest Fire Prevention & Inspection Bureau** conducted the following Inspection.

PERIODIC	441	Notice of Violations sent	208
RE- INSPECTION	132	Certificate of inspection	485
Life Hazard Inspection	15		
OTHER/Follow-up	03		
Total Inspections	<b>591</b>	Smoke Detector inspection	09

The Fire inspection Bureau has a total of **3250** local Fire Inspection and **64** Life Hazard Fire Inspection required under the state of New Jersey Fire Code.

**The Bureau of Housing** 5-Year Maintenance of Hotels and Multiple Dwellings  
SLCHIP Program (State Local Cooperative Housing Inspection Program)

146 Units were Inspected  
 22 Units were Re-Inspected

**Office of Emergency Management**

Will be attending the OEM Coordinator’s Meeting May26 at 2 pm at the County OEM

**Wildwood Crest Emergency Medical Services**

During the month April,2022 The had **70** total calls for service. These calls were for a wide variety of emergencies.

Patients Treated & Transported to Hospital:	26
Refusal of Care	15
Recalled/Canceled by Dispatch	13
Public Assist- Fire Stand By	16
<b>Mutual Aid Received:</b>	<b>2 From WFD 0 From NWFD 0 From Lower Township</b>
<b>Mutual Aid Given:</b>	<b>2 To NWFD 8 To WFD 5 To LT</b>
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>70</b>

**Wildwood Crest Volunteer Fire Company** responded to the following incidents:

April 01 thru May 24,2022

<b>Fires</b> (Including building fires, cooking fires, rubbish fires, vehicles fires, Mulch fires)	<b>3</b>
<b>Over Pressure Rapture, Explosion, Overheated</b> (No fire)	<b>0</b>
<b>Rescue/EMS</b> (MVA’s, medical assists, elevator entrapments, water rescues)	<b>5</b>
<b>Hazardous Conditions</b> (Gas leaks, electrical hazards, aircraft stand-by C/O Incidents)	<b>12</b>
<b>Service Calls</b> (Animal rescues, assist police department, public assists)	<b>1</b>
<b>Good Intent Calls</b> (Smoke scares, odor of smoke, investigations with no incident)	<b>5</b>
<b>False Alarm &amp; False Calls</b> (Malfunctioning alarm systems, malicious alarms, unintentional)	<b>17</b>
<b>Severe Weather, Natural Disaster, Lightning Strike (No Fire)</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Incidents</b>	<b>43</b>
Average Turnout Per Incident ( 28 Members)	<b>17</b>
Mutual Aid - First Alarm Fire Assignments for structure fire	
<b>1 to Wildwood 0 to North Wildwood</b>	<b>1</b>

Following Chief Harwood’s reports, Commissioner Schiff commented on a recent event where both police and rescue were involved and he was on the call and as a civilian, he was thoroughly impressed with the professionalism of the EMS, Police, Fire...

**Chief Johnson (WCBP)**

WCBP REPORT 5/25/2022 (COMMISSIONER MONTHLY MEETING)

- PRE-SEASON MAINTENANCE STAFF IS BUSY PREPARING FOR THE OFFICIAL FIRST GUARDING DAY OF THE 2022 SUMMER SEASON THIS WEEK-END.
- 2022 WCBP LIFEGUARD COVERAGE BEGINS: MDWE MAY 28-30  
JUNE 4-5, JUNE 11-SEPT 11 (SUNDAY AFTER LDWE)  
10AM-5:30PM (WEATHER PERMITTING)
- HANDICAP TRANSPORT SERVICE 11AM-4PM WHENEVER LIFEGUARDS ARE ON DUTY.
- SURF CHAIRS (BEACH WHEEL CHAIRS) 10AM-5PM PICK-UP AND RETURN AT BEACH PATROL HQ (RAMBLER ROAD AND BEACH)
- 2022 SURFING BEACHES: RAMBLER-PRIMROSE, ASTER-CARDINAL, HOLLYWOOD-TOPEKA (10AM-12 NOON ONLY)

- NEW CANDIDATE TRYOUTS: JUNE 4 AND JUNE 11 AT JOSEPH VON SAVAGE MEMORIAL POOL. REPORT TIME 8AM. STILL TAKING APPLICATIONS AT BEACH PATROL WEBSITE: [www.wcbp.org](http://www.wcbp.org) MUST BE 16 YEARS OLD TO APPLY.
- WCBP WILL AGAIN BE HOSTING THE 38<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CAPE MAY COUNTY LIFEGUARD CHAMPIONSHIPS ON FRIDAY, JULY 8<sup>TH</sup>, STARTING AT 6:30 PM AT RAMBLER ROAD AND THE BEACH IN WILDWOOD CREST.
- CALL BEACH PATROL HQ AT 609-522-3825 FOR INFORMATION, QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.

THE CLERK READS THE INTRODUCED ORDINANCE BY TITLE:

**ORDINANCE NO. 1384**  
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST**  
**AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY BY THE**  
**BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST KNOWN AS A PORTION OF LOT**  
**25 IN BLOCK 185 AS DESIGNATED ON THE MUNICIPAL TAX MAP**

Mr. Franco motioned, Mr. Schiff seconded that Ordinance No. 1384 be passed on first reading, advertised according to law, be brought up for second and final reading and public hearing on June 8, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

The Clerk indicated that the first resolution was being pulled.

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-197**  
**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF**  
**WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING HOURS AND PERIODS OF OPERATION OF**  
**PARKING METERS**

**WHEREAS**, Section 47-1 of the Code of the Borough of Wildwood Crest provides that the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest shall determine by resolution the hours and periods of operation for parking meters within the Borough of Wildwood Crest. and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, New Jersey, as follows:

1. The above recital paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.
2. The hours and periods of operation of parking meters in the Borough of Wildwood Crest shall be 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. daily, effective from May 15, through September 15, of each calendar year.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-198**  
**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF**  
**WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 2**  
**FINAL– FY2020 NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO SCOOP**  
**TAYLOR PARK – TO REFLECT AS-BUILT QUANTITY ADJUSTMENTS AT THE NTE**  
**SUM OF \$4,743.32**

**WHEREAS**, COMMAND CO. INC., 1318 Antwerp Avenue, Egg Harbor City, New Jersey, 08218 was awarded the contract known as FY2020 NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO SCOOP TAYLOR PARK via Resolution No. 21-204 on June 9, 2021 for \$257,750.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners authorized Change Order No. 1 - FY2020 NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO SCOOP TAYLOR PARK via Resolution No. 21-307 on November 3, 2021 at the NTE sum of \$30,829.81 revising the contract to \$288,579.81; and

**WHEREAS**, Borough Engineer Marc DeBlasio of DeBlasio & Associates has reviewed the quantity additions for various items and approves Change Order No 2 - FY2020 NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO SCOOP TAYLOR PARK with an increase amount of \$4,743.32 all of which is detailed in the attachment to the Change Order and revising the Contract Price to \$293,323.13.

**WHEREAS**, the CFO has certified the availability of funds as evidenced below by her signature:

Account Number: C-04-55-134-1D4 Amount: \$4,743.32 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the above recital paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length.
2. That said Change Order Number 2- Final FY2020 NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO SCOOP TAYLOR PARK increasing the total contract amount by \$4,743.32 and revising the contract price to \$293,323.13 is hereby approved.
3. That the Mayor and Borough Clerk of the Borough of Wildwood Crest are hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest said Change Order documents on behalf of the Borough of Wildwood Crest.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-199**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO PAY THE PRESCRIBED FLAT RATE PER HOUR TO LAW ENFORCEMENT PURSUANT TO THE 2022 CLICK IT OR TICKET 2022 SEATBELT MOBILIZATION GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, on April 27, 2022, the Borough of Wildwood Crest submitted a grant application to the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety 2022 Click It or Ticket Seatbelt Mobilization Grant via Resolution No. 22-175; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Click It or Ticket* seat belt mobilization from May 23 – June 5, 2022 in an effort to raise awareness and increase seat belt usage through a combination of high visibility enforcement and public education; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2022 Click It or Ticket Seatbelt Mobilization Grant will pay for overtime enforcement during the approved crackdown period, with a maximum rate to be reimbursed of \$70.00 per hour; and

**WHEREAS**, this is a reimbursement grant and as such, participating departments will incur all costs and then submit the necessary documentation to the Division of Highway Traffic Safety for reimbursement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Wildwood Crest received notification of award in the amount of \$7,000.00 on May 16, 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized and directed to pay flat rate of \$70.00 per hour to law enforcement pursuant to the Click It or Ticket Seatbelt Mobilization Grant.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-200**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING REFUND OF BEACH BOX RENTAL FEE TO KATHY BRADY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$450.00**

**WHEREAS**, on February 28, 2022 Kathy Brady purchased a seasonal beach box; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 28, 2022 Kathy Brady paid \$450.00 via credit card for the rental of one seasonal beach box; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 4, 2022 the Borough received a request to refund the rental fees in the amount of \$450.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to execute a refund in the amount of \$450.00 to Kathy Brady.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.  
Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-201  
**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF  
WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING PEDDLING TRUCK LICENSES TO ISLAND  
PRODUCE INC FOR 2022**

**WHEREAS**, Section 40-16, et. seq., of the Code of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, sets forth the pertinent law regarding the issuance of licenses to persons, firms or corporations desiring to engage in the peddling and soliciting of Ice Cream Products and Fruits/Vegetables within the Borough of Wildwood Crest; and

**WHEREAS**, Island Produce Inc. applied for renewal of Licenses and has fulfilled all requirements for renewal of two licenses; and

**WHEREAS**, review of the qualifications of applicant for said licenses has been made.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest that two Fruits/Vegetable Peddling licenses for the balance of calendar year 2022 are hereby authorized to be issued to Island Produce Inc, 4314 Park Boulevard, Wildwood, NJ 08260.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.  
Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-202  
**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF  
WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING WAIVING THE FEE REQUIRED BY  
APPLICATION TO OCEAN OUTFITTERS FOR ALOHA FRIDAYS FREE UKULELE  
LESSONS AT SUNRISE PARK  
JUNE 24, 2022 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2, 2022**

**WHEREAS**, Ocean Outfitters has made a Special Events Application to hold “Aloha Fridays” free ukulele lessons at Sunrise Park on Friday nights from June 24, 2022 through September 2, 2022 from 7:00-8:00 pm; and

**WHEREAS**, in the spirit of supporting our community, the Board of Commissioners have agreed to waive the Special Events Application fees.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, New Jersey, that the fee required by application of Ocean Outfitters for the use of Sunrise Park for “Aloha Fridays” free ukulele lessons on Friday nights from June 24, 2022 through September 2, 2022 from 7:00-8:00 pm is hereby waived.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.  
Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-203  
**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF  
WILDWOOD CREST APPROVING REGULATIONS REGARDING THE OPERATION  
OF JITNEYS IN BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 73 of the Code of the Borough of Wildwood Crest regulates the licensing and operation of Jitneys in the Borough of Wildwood Crest; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 73-11 of the Code requires a Jitney Association to be an Approved Association by the Borough of Wildwood Crest; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 73-12 of the Code further requires routes and stops to be established via resolution.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioner desires to designate an Approved Association and establish routes and stops as set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, in the County of Cape May and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. All of the statements of the preamble are repeated and are incorporated herein by this reference thereto as though the same were set forth at length.

2. The Atlantic City Jitney Association hereby is designated as an “Approved Association,” as that term is defined in Section 73-11 of the Code of the Borough of Wildwood Crest.

3. In accordance with Section 73-12 of the Code, Atlantic Avenue from Diamond Beach to Farragut Road (eastbound) to Ocean Avenue (northbound) is hereby designated as the approved route for jitney service in the Borough of Wildwood Crest.

4. Jitneys make pick up passengers on demand along the approved route.

5. Any adjustment of the approved route due to special events shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Director of Public Safety, the Chief of Police and the Jitney Association.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-204**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING REFUND OF PROPERTY TAXES OR UTILITIES OVERPAYMENT FOR MULTIPLE PROPERTIES AND MADE PAYABLE TO CORELOGIC**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector of the Borough of Wildwood Crest collected from the property owner or its designee an excess amount on 2022 property taxes and/or utility payments; and

**WHEREAS**, an overpayment was created for the reason listed above, and

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector of the Borough of Wildwood Crest has determined the said overpayment should be refunded accordingly as indicated below.

56.03-3-C0207 2022 Taxes	McCarthy, Charles and Susan 407 East Palm Road Homeowner and mortgage company both paid second quarter Refund overpayment to Corelogic	<b>Amount</b> \$1,361.79
66-15-C0002 2022 Taxes	Paley, Michael 109 East Primrose Road Homeowner and mortgage company both paid second quarter Refund overpayment to Corelogic	\$659.02
96.03-8-C0402 2022 Taxes	Berardi, Ralph and Patricia 520 East Stockton Road Homeowner and mortgage company both paid second quarter Refund overpayment to Corelogic	\$1,811.65
171-8 2022 Taxes	Tenaglia, Mario and Joelle 311 East Trenton Avenue Homeowner and mortgage company both paid second quarter Refund overpayment to Corelogic	\$2,479.62

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to execute said refund as soon as practicable and the Tax Collector should mark the records accordingly to reflect said refund as per the meeting on May 25, 2022.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-205**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE TO PURCHASE 2 STRYKER MTS POWER LOAD COTS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES UNDER BERGEN COUNTY COOPERATIVE**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12A and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), the Borough may, by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Wildwood Crest is in need of 2 Stryker MTS Power Load Cots for *Emergency Medical Services*; and

**WHEREAS**, the procurement of goods and services through a cooperative purchasing program is considered to be an open and fair process under the New Jersey Pay-To-Play Law N.J.S.A 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, FireFighter One (Bergen County Contract # BC-20-11) 34 Wilson Drive, Sparta NJ 07871 has provided a quote dated March 31,2022 for \$51,951.60.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, in the County of Cape May, that the Borough is authorized to fund the expenditure to purchase 2 Stryker MTS Power Load Cots based upon the price quote on March 31, 2022 from FireFighter One. (Bergen County Contract # BC-20-11) in an amount not to exceed \$51,951.60.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, in the County of Cape May, that the Borough is authorized to fund the expenditure to purchase 2 Stryker MTS Power Load Cots upon the price quote on March 31, 2022 from FireFighter One (Bergen County Contract # BC-20-11) in an amount not to exceed \$51,951.60; and

**WHEREAS**, the CFO has certified the availability of funds as evidenced below by her signature:

Account Number(s) 2-01-44-909-299 Amount \$51,951.60 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-206

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FOR PERMIT #SO21-0305 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$187.50**

**WHEREAS**, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has received written approval from the Borough Engineer, DeBlasio & Associates, on April 20, 2022 to refund escrow to Garden State General Construction, Inc. for Street Opening Permit #SO21-0305, Block 109/Lot 38); and

**WHEREAS**, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has confirmed that all Borough Engineer billings related to Street Opening Application #SO21-0305 are complete; and

**WHEREAS**, Garden State General Construction, Inc., 8 Clermont Drive, Clermont, New Jersey 08210 made an escrow payment to the Borough of Wildwood Crest of \$1,000.00 on March 16, 2021 for Street Opening Permit for location 113 East Stockton Road, Block 109/Lot 38 and has requested return of the unused escrow balance; and

**WHEREAS**, the escrow used totaled \$812.50 and the Borough of Wildwood Crest Construction Official is recommending the return of the unused escrow fee of \$187.50.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, in the County of Cape May, New Jersey, that the return of the balance of the unused escrow account in the amount of \$187.50 to Garden State General Construction, Inc., 8 Clermont Drive, Clermont, New Jersey 08210 be and hereby is approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to return the balance of the unused escrow account in the amount of \$187.50 to Garden State General Construction, Inc., 8 Clermont Drive, Clermont, New Jersey 08210.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-207

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FOR PERMIT #SO21-0405 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$547.50**

**WHEREAS**, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has received written approval from the Borough Engineer, DeBlasio & Associates, on April 20, 2022 to refund escrow to Garden State General Construction, Inc. for Street Opening Permit #SO21-0405, Block 39/Lot 14 (CO115 & CO117); and

**WHEREAS**, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has confirmed that all Borough Engineer billings related to Street Opening Application #SO21-0405 are complete; and

**WHEREAS**, Garden State General Construction, Inc., 8 Clermont Drive, Clermont, New Jersey 08210 made an escrow payment to the Borough of Wildwood Crest of \$1,000.00 on March 31, 2021 for Street Opening Permit for location 115-117 East Wisteria Road, Block 39/Lot14 (CO115 & CO117) and has requested return of the unused escrow balance; and

**WHEREAS**, the escrow used totaled \$452.50 and the Borough of Wildwood Crest Construction Official is recommending the return of the unused escrow fee of \$547.50.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, in the County of Cape May, New Jersey, that the return of the balance of the unused escrow account in the amount of \$547.50 to Garden State General Construction, Inc., 8 Clermont Drive, Clermont, New Jersey 08210 be and hereby is approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to return the balance of the unused escrow account in the amount of \$547.50 to Garden State General Construction, Inc., 8 Clermont Drive, Clermont, New Jersey 08210.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-208**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FOR PERMIT #SO21-0413 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$277.50**

**WHEREAS**, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has received written approval from the Borough Engineer, DeBlasio & Associates, on April 20, 2022 to refund escrow to Mitchell Nichols Enterprises, Inc. for Street Opening Permit #SO21-0413, Block 40/Lot 16 & 16.02; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has confirmed that all Borough Engineer billings related to Street Opening Application #SO21-0413 are complete; and

**WHEREAS**, Mitchell Nichols Enterprises, Inc., 23 King Street, Rio Grande, NJ 08242 made an escrow payment to the Borough of Wildwood Crest of \$1,000.00 on April 20, 2021 for Street Opening Permit for location 127 & 129 West Wisteria Road, Block 40/Lot16 & 16.02 and has requested return of the unused escrow balance; and

**WHEREAS**, the escrow used totaled \$722.50 and the Borough of Wildwood Crest Construction Official is recommending the return of the unused escrow fee of \$277.50.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, in the County of Cape May, New Jersey, that the return of the balance of the unused escrow account in the amount of \$277.50 to Mitchell Nichols Enterprises, Inc., 23 King Street, Rio Grande, NJ 08242 be and hereby is approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to return the balance of the unused escrow account in the amount of \$277.50 to Mitchell Nichols Enterprises, Inc., 23 King Street, Rio Grande, NJ 08242.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-209**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING AWARD OF THE TWO (2) USED MODEL YEAR 2011 OR NEWER ONE-MAN REFUSE COLLECTION SYSTEM VEHICLES CONTRACT AT THE NTE SUM OF \$134,000**

**WHEREAS**, a Notice to Bidders was authorized for advertisement by Resolution No. 22-165 on April 13, 2022 for the Borough of Wildwood Crest contract for the Two (2) Used Model Year 2011 or Newer One-Man Refuse Collection System Vehicles Contract; and

**WHEREAS**, Notice to Bidders was advertised in the *Herald of Cape May County* on April 20, 2022 with receipt of sealed bids on May 18, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, One sealed bid proposals were opened and reviewed on May 18, 2022 by the Bid Opening Committee who reviewed the bid proposals and specifications and recommended that the Two (2) Used Model 2011 or Newer One-Man Refuse Collection System Vehicles Contract be awarded to Discount Hydraulics Corp., 210 Route 47 South, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 the lowest responsive bidder; and



**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest has reviewed the recommendations made by the Bid Opening Committee as well as the bid tabulation and recommendation, and the opinion letter of the Borough Solicitor recommending the award to Discount Hydraulics Corp.; and

**WHEREAS**, Discount Hydraulics Corp., was lowest responsive bidder and submitted a total aggregate bid amount of \$134,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the CFO has certified the availability of funds as evidenced below by her signature:

Account Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The above recital paragraphs are incorporated herein as if set forth at length.
2. The Two (2) Used Model Year 2011 or Newer One-Man Refuse Collection System Vehicles Contract is hereby awarded to Discount Hydraulics Corp., 210 Route 47 South, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 the lowest responsive bidder.
3. The award of this contract is contingent upon compliance with the Notice to Bidders; Specifications and General Requirements; the New Jersey Pay to Play Law as set forth in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1; production of the Business Entity Disclosure Certificate, Affirmative Action Compliance Notice, New Jersey Certificate of Employee Information Report, New Jersey Business Registration Certificate and certification from the Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds.
4. The Mayor and the Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and empowered to enter into a formal contract with Discount Hydraulics Corp., 210 Route 47 South, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 in accordance with this Resolution, Notice to Bidders, specifications and the submitted bid proposal.
5. That a Notice of Award shall be published in The Herald of Cape May County as required by law within ten (10) days of passage of this Resolution, which notice shall state that this Resolution and the contract are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Borough Clerk.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-210  
**AUTHORIZING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT BLOCK 185, LOT 25 PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A 40A:4-48**

**WHEREAS**, an emergency has arisen with respect to purchasing property that is adjacent to the public works building and, no adequate provision was made in the 2022 budget for the aforesaid purpose, and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 provides for the creation of an emergency appropriation for the purpose mentioned above, and

**WHEREAS**, the total amount of the emergency appropriations created, including the appropriation to be created by this resolution is \$225,000.00 and three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations in the budget 2022 is \$610,526.67; and

**WHEREAS**, the foregoing appropriation together with prior appropriations does not exceed three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations in the budget for 2022.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by not less than 2/3 of all the governing body members affirmatively concurring of the Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, New Jersey that in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:4-48:

1. An emergency appropriation is hereby made for the purchase of property in the amount of \$225,000.00.
2. That said emergency appropriation shall be provided for in full in the 2022 budget, and is requested to be excluded from CAPS, pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-53.3c(1).
3. That two (2) certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-211

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE 2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET TO ACCOUNT FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY MOBILIZATION FOR THE 2022 CLICK IT OR TICKET GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by any public or private funding source and the amount thereof shall not have been determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Wildwood Crest will receive \$ 7,000.00 from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety Mobilization for the 2022 Click It or Ticket Grant and wishes to amend its 2022 Municipal Budget to include this amount of revenue.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, New Jersey, does hereby request the Director of the Division of Local Government services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the municipal budget of the Borough of Wildwood Crest for the year 2022 in the sum of \$ 7,000.00 which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues  
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with  
Prior Written Consent of the Director of the Division  
of Local Government Services - Public and Private  
Revenues Offset with Appropriations:  
2022 Click It or Ticket Grant \$.....7,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$.....7,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS  
(a) Operations Excluded from Caps  
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:  
2022 Click It or Ticket Grant

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay a flat rate of \$70.00 per hour to law enforcement pursuant to the 2022 Click It or Ticket Grant.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to electronically file this Resolution and applicable submittal form with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-212  
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING PEDDLING TRUCK LICENSE TO MONSTER CONE LLC FOR 2022**

**WHEREAS**, Section 40-16, et. seq., of the Code of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, sets forth the pertinent law regarding the issuance of licenses to persons, firms or corporations desiring to engage in the peddling and soliciting of Ice Cream Products and Fruits/Vegetables within the Borough of Wildwood Crest; and

**WHEREAS**, Monster Cone LLC applied for renewal of Ice Cream Peddling License and has fulfilled all requirements for renewal of license; and

**WHEREAS**, Review of the qualifications of applicant for said license has been made.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest that an Ice Cream Peddling license for the balance of calendar year 2022 is hereby authorized to be issued to Monster Cone LLC, 1020 Kings Highway Apt 100, Bellmawr, New Jersey 08031.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-213**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING PEDDLING TRUCK LICENSE TO AUBREY'S ICE CREAM LLC DBA MONSTER CONE 2 FOR 2022**

**WHEREAS**, Section 40-16, et. seq., of the Code of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, sets forth the pertinent law regarding the issuance of licenses to persons, firms or corporations desiring to engage in the peddling and soliciting of Ice Cream Products and Fruits/Vegetables within the Borough of Wildwood Crest; and

**WHEREAS**, Aubrey's Ice Cream LLC DBA Monster Cone 2 applied for renewal of Ice Cream Peddling License and has fulfilled all requirements for renewal of license; and

**WHEREAS**, Review of the qualifications of applicant for said license has been made.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest that an Ice Cream Peddling license for the balance of calendar year 2022 is hereby authorized to be issued to Aubrey's Ice Cream LLC DBA Monster Cone 2, 129 East Davis Avenue, Wildwood Crest, New Jersey, 08260.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-214**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 – NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM – BEACH STREET END PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE 1B- TO REFLECT ADDITIONAL WORK FOR HEATHER ROAD FISHING PIER - AT THE NTE SUM OF \$57,876.62**

**WHEREAS**, Fred M. Schiavone Construction, Inc., PO Box 416, Malaga, New Jersey 08328 was awarded the contract known as NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM – BEACH STREET END PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE 1B -via Resolution No. 22-146 on March 23, 2022 for \$1,037,288.50; and

**WHEREAS**, Borough Engineer Marc DeBlasio of DeBlasio & Associates has reviewed the request for additional work for Heather Road Fishing Pier and approves Change Order No 1 - NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM – BEACH STREET END PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE 1B TO REFLECT ADDITIONAL WORK FOR HEATHER ROAD FISHING PIER with an increase amount of \$57,876.62 all of which is detailed in the attachment to the Change Order and revising the Contract Price to \$1,095,165.12; and

**WHEREAS**, the CFO has certified the availability of funds as evidenced below by her signature:

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$57,876.62 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, as follows:

4. That the above recital paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length.
5. That said Change Order Number 1- increasing the total contract amount by \$57,876.62 and revising the contract price to \$1,095,165.12 is hereby approved.
6. That the Mayor and Borough Clerk of the Borough of Wildwood Crest are hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest said Change Order documents on behalf of the Borough of Wildwood Crest.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-215**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER WORK ORDER FOR BEACH STREET END PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE 1B – ADDITIONAL SERVICES: FISHING PIER IMPROVEMENTS AT THE NTE SUM OF \$6,000**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest desires to authorize issuance of a Work Order to the Borough Engineer, Marc DeBlasio and the Firm of DeBlasio & Associates for BEACH STREET END PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS- PHASE 1B- ADDITIONAL SERVICES: FISHING PIER IMPROVEMENTS (\$6,000.00) for engineering services which are more specifically set forth in the attached Proposal from Marc DeBlasio and the Firm of DeBlasio & Associates, dated May 23, 2022 which is made a part hereof by reference as if fully set forth at the billable rates set forth in the professional services agreement between Marc DeBlasio and Borough not to exceed \$6,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the CFO has certified the availability of funds as evidenced below by her signature:

Account Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$6,000.00 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, in the County of Cape May, New Jersey, as follows:

1. The above recital paragraphs are incorporated herein as if set forth at length.
2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and empowered to execute the attached Work Order authorizing MARC DEBLASIO and DEBLASIO & ASSOCIATES to perform the professional engineering services as described in the Proposal, which is hereby approved, at the billable rates set forth in the professional services agreement between Marc DeBlasio and Borough not to exceed **\$6,000.00**.

Mr. Schiff motions, Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

**BILLS:** Mr. Franco motioned, and Mr. Schiff seconded that all bills properly authorized, as submitted, be paid.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

**REPORTS:** Mr. Schiff motioned and Mr. Franco seconded all reports received from the Court Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Tax Collector, Chief of Police, Supervisor for the Recreation Department, Construction Official, Emergency Services Coordinator for the EMS and the Wildwood Crest Volunteer Fire Company Chief for the month ending April 30, 2022 be accepted as presented.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

**MINUTES:** Mr. Franco motioned and Mr. Schiff seconded all minutes from the regularly scheduled Commission meetings dated April 27, 2022 and May 11, 2022 be approved as presented.

Vote: Schiff - Franco – Cabrera – YES

Due to time restrictions, Mayor Cabrera asked that the Engineer deliver his report before the Administrator.

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

**May 25, 2022**

#### **Grant Applications**

1. **FY 2023 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program**
  - The NJDOT has announced that they are accepting State Aid applications for Roadways, Bikeways, Pedestrian, Safe Streets to Transit and Transit Village projects.
  - The grant application deadline is July 1, 2022.
2. **FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance (BRIC)**
  - The Borough is proposing to construct one (1) bayside storm sewer pump station, install bay outfall SCADA control valves and associated storm sewer improvements in the north west section of the Borough.
  - Our office has met with Jim Rutala to develop the application submission, which is due November 30, 2021.
3. **Cape May County Open Space Board – Coastal Recreational Enhancements**
  - The Borough has decided to submit a grant application for ADA beach access improvements-phase 2 (Orchid Road to Jefferson Avenue).
  - In support of the grant application, our office transmitted the grant application to Cape May County on December 15, 2020.
  - The County has indicated preliminary favorability and requested additional information.
  - The Borough provided a supplemental presentation to the CMCOSB on September 28<sup>th</sup> and a final decision is anticipated in late March, 2022.

#### **Capital Projects**

1. **Pacific Avenue Storm Sewer Improvements and Borough Street Improvements**
  - The bid was awarded to Asphalt Paving Systems in the amount of \$5,767,600.00.

- The Borough has approved a Change Order for improvements on Ocean Avenue and Washington Avenue and various streets. All work is complete and we are working towards project closeout.
2. Fiscal Year 2021 NJDCA Small Cities Program – Beach Street End Public Access Improvements – Phase 1B
    - The Borough was notified by the NJDCA that a \$400,000.00 grant was allocated for the project.
    - The apparent low bidder was Fred M. Schiavone Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,105,814.50.
    - Piling have been installed at all five (5) locations.
    - Pier framing is starting this week at Washington Avenue.
  3. Reconstruction of Beach Avenue and Stanton Road
    - The Borough was notified that a grant in the amount of \$155,000.00 was allocated for the reconstruction of Beach Avenue from Crocus Road to Forget-Me-Not Road.
    - The Borough has been notified by the NJDOT that a grant in the amount of \$185,000.00 was allocated for the reconstruction of Stanton Road from the Beach to New Jersey Avenue.
    - The contractor has completed all of the improvements on Beach Avenue and Stanton Road. We are working toward project closeout.
  4. FY2020 NJDCA Small Cities Grant Application-Scoop Taylor Park
    - The contract was awarded to Command Company, Inc. in the amount of \$257,750.00.
    - All site work has been completed.
    - The installation of the Gazebo is complete and we are working toward project closeout.
  5. Beach Street End Public Access Improvements – Phase 1
    - The contract was awarded to Fred M. Schiavone Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,250,022.60.
    - All work is complete and we are in the process of project closeout.
  6. NJDEP CAFRA Permit for Beachfront Improvements, Sand Back Passing and Dune Maintenance Activities
    - The beach survey and permitting application is in progress.
  7. Fiscal Year 2019 NJDCA Small Cities Program – Renovations to the Old Library
    - The bid opening occurred on November 24, 2021 and the apparent low bidder was Joseph Porretta Builders, Inc. in the amount of \$1,918,713.00 for the Base Bid, Alternate Bid No. 1 and Alternate Bid No. 2.
    - Bi-weekly on site project meetings are occurring with contractor and Borough representative.
    - All structural framing, rough electrical, HVAC and plumbing have been completed and finish items are ongoing.
    - Roofing installation has begun. Exterior siding and brickwork is progressing as weather permits.
    - Project is on schedule, if materials arrive as ordered.
  8. Fiscal Year 2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program – Reconstruction of Syracuse Avenue
    - The Borough was notified by the NJDOT that the \$196,025.00 was allocated for the Reconstruction of Syracuse Avenue.
    - Our office provided a proposal to the Borough on December 7, 2021 and upon authorization, we will begin work.
    - Survey is complete and the design is in progress.

## **ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:**

**May 25, 2022**

### **ONGOING AND UPCOMING PROJECTS**

#### **Beach End Bump Outs**

Now that we have received word that we are approved for a \$2.5M Open Spaces grant to construct 11 beach bump outs we are preparing to go out to bid. We expect to award and commence construction on these additional beach bump outs in the fall.

#### **Pacific Avenue**

For the period of 5/16- 5/20 the County’s engineer reports the following:

- Concrete flatwork will be completed
  - Brick paver restoration will continue and be completed
  - Irrigation repairs and sodding and topsoiling and seeding will continue behind the concrete curbs
  - The remaining unpaved sections of the north bound lane and shoulders will be fine graded and base paved.
  - Milling to grade, excavation and fine grading of the south bound lanes and shoulders will continue
  - Limited portions of the south bound lane and shoulders will be base paved.
- For the week of 5/23 – 5/26
- Milling to grade, excavation and fine grading of the south bound lanes and shoulders will continue
  - The remaining portion of the south bound lane and shoulders will be base paved
  - Traffic control devices will be removed on 5/26 and the roadway will be opened to two way traffic on 5/26.

It is anticipated that the Thursday prior to Memorial Day weekend, the roadway will have been base-paved and all lawn area restoration will have been completed. The roadway will be opened to two-way traffic, although castings and manhole rims will extend about 2" above the base paving surface in preparation for the final surface course paving. The final surface course paving, traffic striping and markings will be installed after Memorial Day but prior to the June 13, 2022 substantial completion date for phase 1.

#### **Herford Inlet to Cape May Inlet Beach and Dune Construction**

As of today, Coastal Engineering is still working with Wildwood and Lower Township on their state aid agreements.

#### **New Jersey Avenue**

Nothing new to report at this time.

#### **Sunset Lake- State Channel Dredging**

We continue to work with NJDOT and our dredging committee to have the State dredge their state channel and have requested that they realign the channel and perhaps partner with us to dredge more of the lake. Commissioner Franco and I continue to meet with local, state, and federal legislators to solicit their help and support. We have engaged the services of an attorney who specializes in dredge projects to assist with our efforts and met with the newly appointed DEP Commissioner- Shawn La Tourette late last week.

#### **CAFRA Applications**

In an on-going effort to remain compliant with the state's Coastal Management Rules, the Borough has been working on 2 separate CAFRA permits. The first permit seeks to permit beach patrol storage adjacent to the beach patrol headquarters. Our environmental consultant has submitted a request for administrative review. We are currently awaiting word back. The second IP permit is still being worked on and would permit the following 5 items:

- Dune and Beach Maintenance Activities
- Bike Path Improvements north of Rambler
- Widening of pedestrian access through dunes north of Rambler
- Old Library site improvements including expanded parking
- Water main looping

#### **Old Library Renovations**

The contractor has made steady progress on the interior and exterior of the building. The roof is near completion, windows are installed, tile work and bathroom fixtures are installed as are partitions. Other plumbing and electrical work is ongoing. The gas service will be installed in the coming weeks. Delays in obtaining storefront doors, the large expandable door facing the ocean and lighting fixtures continue to be an issue. We are hopeful that the project will be completed on and will keep you posted on the completion schedule given material delays.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Handicap Parking – There was a correspondence received requesting more handicapped spaces on the beach block. The Mayor indicated that generally Public Safety recommends the locations and that the correspondence will be directed there.
2. CMC Broadband Assessment – there was a request from the County to place a Broadband assessment survey on the website to help obtain grants for broadband in the county. The commissioners agreed to place the survey on the website.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTARY:**

Kay Sparkman, New Jersey Avenue, indicated that there is a property at the corner of Rambler Road and New Jersey Avenue that has paint chipping. The Housing Inspector indicated that he has been issued a violation and it is multi dwelling. Ms. Sparkman then inquired about the Motel on Ocean Avenue that has been under construction for nearly two years and it is fenced up and looks terrible.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

#### **NEW BUSINESS- N/A**

#### **OLD BUSINESS –**

- Back Beach Excavation:** No movement
- Office Moves:** No movement
- NJ Lots / All Borough lots – costs vision:** Report will be forthcoming.
- Vision for Old Library – Lease specs went out / bid opening 6/15 at 10:00 and 10:30 and can be removed from old business.**
- Flood Mitigation Projects:** No movement
- Referendum permitting one consumption liquor license in business zone:** No movement
- Dredging:** The Administrator discussed in her report.

**-Beach Patrol Building:** There will be information forthcoming.

**-CAFRA Permit:** Waiting on the Jurisdictional Determination the Individual Permit for additional five items.

**-Preston Park – sustainable NJ Project:** There are plans to cost cut and will be redesigned after summer.

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY:** Hearing nothing from the public, the commissioners issued commentary.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Schiff – Thanked the Fire, EMS, Police, Beach Patrol for their hard work and thanked the people for coming to commissioner meetings.

Commissioner Franco – Referenced key findings with tourism in the Economic Impact of Tourism in New Jersey 2019 from [www.NJ.org](http://www.NJ.org).

He mentioned the following:

In 2021

\*1-12 NJ jobs were supported by tourism

\*NJ had 96.6 million visitors, which has grown over 14% from 2020

\*NJ visitors spent 37.3 billion, up from 2020, with each traveler spending about \$386 per trip

\*Visitor spending generated 4.6 billion in state and local taxes, which equals \$1,400 in tax savings for every household.

New visitation state forecasts predict a 12% growth in 2022, recovering about 75% of visitation losses from the pandemic. Visitation is estimated to reach pre-covid levels in 2023. Additionally, visitor spending is projected to surpass 44 billion this year, which is a 19% increase, pushing it to 90% of pre-pandemic levels with full recovery achieved in 2023.

Mayor Cabrera –

The Mayor wished everyone a Happy Memorial Day, he reminded all of the Crest Best Swim Fest taking place on Saturday morning, and that the Chatterband will be playing Sunday night to kick off the concert series at Centennial Park, the Spray ground will be open on Friday and he gave a shout out to Public Works and the Recreation Department for their hard work getting ready for summer.

Lastly, he reminded all that Pacific Avenue is a county project and that Borough has done our part for project.

Hearing nothing further from the public, Mr. Schiff motioned and Mr. Franco seconded that the meeting be adjourned. All were in favor. The time was 6:13 p.m.

Dated: June 22, 2022

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Patricia A. Feketics, Borough Clerk

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