

Note: Complete Meeting Appears
On Borough of Wildwood Crest Facebook page by date
And on disc by date

July 7, 2021

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 Municipal Hall at 9:30 a.m. On roll call the following answered to their names:

Gould - Thompson - 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 28, 2020.

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.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that Ordinance No. 1356 be placed on second reading and final passage by title only.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera YES

THE CLERK READS THE ORDINANCE BY TITLE:

ORDINANCE NO. 1356

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST
AMENDING SECTION 85-19 PROHIBITED USES OF CHAPTER 85 OF
THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST LAND USE ORDINANCE TO
PROHIBIT THE OPERATION OF ALL CLASSES OF CANNABIS
ESTABLISHMENTS, CANNABIS DISTRIBUTORS AND CANNABIS
DELIVERY SERVICES WITHIN ALL ZONING DISTRICTS IN THE
BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST**

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that a public hearing now be held on Ordinance No. 1356.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera YES

Nancy Robbins, Seaview Avenue, inquired about enforcement of marijuana smoking on the beach. The Mayor indicated that this ordinance restricts the sales and that they can address at public commentary portion. After hearing nothing further from the public, Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1356 now be closed.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera YES

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that Ordinance No. 1356 be passed on second and final reading and advertised according to law.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera YES

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that Ordinance No. 1359 be placed on second reading and final passage by title only.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera YES

THE CLERK READS THE ORDINANCE BY TITLE:

ORDINANCE NO. 1359

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST
AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 79-35 SCHEDULE IV
TIME LIMIT PARKING SPACES OF CHAPTER 79 VEHICLES AND
TRAFFIC OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST**

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that a public hearing now be held on Ordinance No. 1359.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera YES

After hearing nothing from the public, Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1359 now be closed.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera YES

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that Ordinance No. 1359 be passed on second and final reading and advertised according to law.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera YES

THE CLERK READS THE ORDINANCE BY TITLE:

ORDINANCE NO. 1360

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 32A-3 MEMORIAL BENCHES OF CHAPTER 32A FEES OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST TO PERMIT THE PLACEMENT OF MEMORIAL BENCHES IN CENTENNIAL PARK

Mrs. Gould motioned, Mr. Thompson seconded that Ordinance No. 1360 be passed on first reading, advertised according to law, be brought up for second and final reading and public hearing on July 21, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-218

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 21-209 TO REFLECT CHANGE TO VENDORS FOR EQUIPMENT TO GENERAL SALES ADMINISTRATION AND MUNICIPAL EQUIPMENT ENTERPRISE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLE EQUIPMENT CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest awarded a contract, via Resolution No. 21-209 adopted June 9, 2021, to GENERAL SALES ADMINISTRATION, for vehicle equipment contract at the NTE sum of \$15,442.99, which has now been modified to \$6,262.45, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest desires to procure the remainder of said equipment from MUNICIPAL EQUIPMENT ENTERPRISE (State Contract # 17-FLEET-00758-GEN) and has received said Equipment quote number EST4785 on June 18, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$12,780.04; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest to increase the amount of the contract by \$3,599.50 and change the vendors as indicated above; and

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

| Account Number(s) | Amount | Signature |
|------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| <u>1-01-44-907-299</u> | <u>\$3,599.50</u> | _____ |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that the Borough is authorized to fund the expenditure to purchase the public safety equipment for said vehicle based upon the price quotes indicated above from General Sales Administration and Municipal Equipment Enterprise.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-219

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST ADJUSTING SPECIAL EVENTS APPLICATION FEES TO STALLION MARKETING LLC FOR MOBILE FOOD TRUCK EVENTS

WHEREAS, Stallion Marketing LLC applied for Special Events permits to hold Mobile Food Truck Events on July 11, July 25, and August 8, 2021; and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of supporting tourism for the Wildwoods and the Wildwood Crest Community, the Commissioners have agreed to adjust special event fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, New Jersey, that Special Events application fees be adjusted to Stallion Marketing LLC for Mobile Food Truck Events.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould - Thompson – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-220

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FOR PERMIT #SO20-0301 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$502.50

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has received written approval from the Borough Engineer, DeBlasio & Associates, on May 20, 2021 to refund escrow to Garden State General Construction, Inc. for Street Opening Permit #SO20-0301, Block 96.01/Lot 12; and

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has confirmed that all Borough Engineer billings related to Street Opening Application #SO20-0301 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 February 26, 2020 for Street Opening Permit for location 7407 Seaview Avenue, Block 96.01/Lot 12 and has requested return of the unused escrow balance; and

WHEREAS, the escrow used totaled \$497.50 and the Borough of Wildwood Crest Construction Official is recommending the return of the unused escrow fee of \$502.50.

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 \$502.50 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 \$502.50 to Garden State General Construction, Inc., 8 Clermont Drive, Clermont, New Jersey 08210.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould - Thompson – Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-221

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FOR PERMIT #SO20-0503 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$727.50

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has received written approval from the Borough Engineer, DeBlasio & Associates, on May 20, 2021 to refund escrow to THOMAS P. FINNERTY for Street Opening Permit #SO20-0503, Block 123/Lot 6; and

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has confirmed that all Borough Engineer billings related to Street Opening Application #SO20-0503 are complete; and

WHEREAS, THOMAS P. FINNERTY, 404 Bishop Hollow Road, Newtown Sq., Pennsylvania 19073-3902 made an escrow payment to the Borough of Wildwood Crest of \$1,000.00 on April 30, 2020 for Street Opening Permit for location 119 E. St. Paul Avenue, Block 123/Lot 6 and has requested return of the unused escrow balance; and

WHEREAS, the escrow used totaled \$272.50 and the Borough of Wildwood Crest Construction Official is recommending the return of the unused escrow fee of \$727.50.

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 \$727.50 to THOMAS P. FINNERTY, 404 Bishop Hollow Road, Newtown Sq., Pennsylvania 19073-3902 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 \$727.50 to THOMAS P. FINNERTY, 404 Bishop Hollow Road, Newtown Sq., Pennsylvania 19073-3902.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould - Thompson – Cabrera – YES

BILLS: Mr. Thompson motioned and Mrs. Gould seconded that all bills properly authorized, as submitted, be paid.

Vote: Gould - Thompson – Cabrera – YES

CORRESPONDENCE:

-Beach patrol (thank you)

Commissioner Thompson read the letter from Matt Bochanski. Kudos were given to the beach patrol.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

Nancy Robbins, Seaview Avenue, inquired about the enforcement of no smoking on the beach. The Mayor indicated it was a concerted effort by the police to enforce and the recreation department's concierge to make it known. Commissioner Thompson added that people disregard the rules. Captain D'Amico added there are routine patrols by Class I, Class II and full-time officers and the presence is there. There are limited resources with the number of beach goers. The Mayor added that the current beach signage that permitted smoking in designated areas will have an overlay placed on it to indicate smoking is no longer permitted and there was also signage provided by the state.

Commissioner Gould added that our Police and Emergency Medical Services performed an excellent job yesterday while responding to an incident at a local retail store.

Nelson Dice, Ocean City, delivered a speech regarding his rights and privileges to worship, his arrests and recent jail time. He further indicated he has claims against Ocean City, North Wildwood and Wildwood Crest for 242 million.

Nancy Robbins, Seaview Avenue, commended the commissioners for their leadership, great events and being family friendly. She asked for the commissioners to consider a citizen group to consider beach tags. She further indicated that she believes in volunteer committees. The Mayor asked the Clerk to reach out to Ms. Robbins on what committees the Borough currently has and what positions are available.

Commissioner Gould added that she too would like to see beach tags.

Ed Ruth, Sweetbriar Road, also indicated he thinks beach tags would be beneficial.

NEW BUSINESS:

-Multi Family Structural Review – The Mayor indicated in light of the recent building collapse in Florida and the ages of structures, he too would like to start a conversation since we have similar type properties. He suggested setting up a meeting with the Fire Official, Zoning Official and the Solicitor. Commissioner Gould agreed with the meeting and Commissioner Thompson added that the Borough should key an eye on certain properties. The Mayor added that an independent structural engineer should be used and not a Borough employee. Ms. Robbins added that properties should be aged in.

OLD BUSINESS:

-Washington Avenue Flooding Issues – } No movement.

-Bulkhead Ordinance / Lot Grading – } No movement.

-Flood Mitigation Efforts – } No movement.

-Referendum permitting one consumption liquor license in business zone- No movement.

-Park Blvd / Pumping Station – No movement.

-Beach Bike Path – No movement.

-Public Transportation – No movement.

-Public trash cans being used for household dumping -The mayor asked the DPW Superintendent to get quotes to place signage on the trash cans that household trash is not permitted and also that there is the Trash & Recycle center.

-Trampolines on private property- No movement.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

Hearing nothing further, Mrs. Gould motioned, and Mr. Thompson seconded that the meeting be adjourned. All were in favor. The time was 10:06 a.m.

Dated: July 21, 2021

Patricia A. Feketics, Borough Clerk

