

Note: Complete Meeting Appears
On Borough of Wildwood Crest Facebook page by date
And 2020-17 on disc

September 23, 2020

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 in the Municipal Court Room at 5:30 p.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 Gazette-Leader, Herald of Cape May County and The Press on October 23, 2019.

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

Mr. Cabrera noted that this meeting was now partially open to the public in accordance with Executive Order No. 156. He thanked those for tuning in via the Borough's Facebook page and on YouTube. He reminded those tuning in that you could also listen in and provide commentary by dialing in 234-203-2766 and using passcode 786394836#. Again, he said that public commentary is available by calling in the number and Facebook live. When the public portion opens up, you will be able to provide your name and comment. A response will be given right away.

For the record, there is a maximum number (24) of people allowed in the courtroom and there were a total of 16 people in attendance at the start of the meeting.

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-272

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.
Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera - YES

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Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera - YES

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

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera - YES

CORRESPONDENCE: Mayor Cabrera gave Nicholas Holland from the Recreation Department three Letters of Commendation for Frank Basile, Brian Cunniff and Nick Holland for their work with beach box owners after a recent storm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The Mayor opened the floor first to callers, Facebook and In Person. There were no comments.

NEW BUSINESS:

-Ordinance – Garbage, Rubbish, Solid Waste: The Green Team provided a draft ordinance for the Governing Body for proper review, consideration, and decision. The proposed ordinance would Amend and Supplement Chapter 3, Garbage, Rubbish, Solid Waste Management of the Code of the Borough of Wildwood Crest.

Commissioner Thompson wanted to exclude plastic straws from the proposed prohibited items. The Mayor added that the ultimate goal is to eliminate/reduce plastics in waterways to be more eco-friendly. He urged that business owners need to be a part of this process.

The Clerk indicated she would retrieve the code from both Stone Harbor and West Cape May for comparison purposes.

OLD BUSINESS:

-Bulkhead Ordinance / Lot Grading – The Administrator indicated that after much collaboration, the Bulkhead Ordinance was ready to move forward and Stakeholder involvement was paramount. The Engineer indicated an internal review of the proposed ordinance was needed as well as an understanding of the timeline requirement on behalf of the homeowner. The Administrator indicated that she has shared the proposed ordinance with North Wildwood and would share with Wildwood shortly. She further indicated that there are financial implications and guidance available and a potential for FEMA grants. The Mayor asked the Engineer to get the timeline in place.

-Flood Mitigation Efforts – This ties in with the Bulkhead Ordinance.

-Old Library- Presentation scheduled for October 21st with Engineer and Architect.

-Referendum permitting one consumption liquor license in business zone- No movement. The Mayor reminded all that there is a stakeholder meeting following the September 23rd meeting for New Jersey Avenue business district and it will take place at the Doo Wop Diner.

-Beach Bumpout- No movement. Application sent to CMC Open Space.

-Beach Walkways – Application sent to CMC Open Space.

-Park Blvd / Pumping Station – Waiting on FEMA grant.

-Special Events on beach- No movement.

-Beach Bike Path- No movement.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

Via Conference line: No comments.

In courtroom:

Commissioner Gould stated that September 11th ceremony will take place at Miami Avenue at 5:00 and encouraged people to attend (with masks).

Commissioner Thompson added that he has received numerous complaints of the pedestrians in the crosswalks continue to walk regardless of traffic. Furthermore, Capt. Lloyd added that there are also issues at traffic lights.

Mayor Cabrera had three key items to share:

1. The Borough has a live feed camera at the Beach Patrol that points to the beach.
2. The Borough wide yard sale (free) is October 3rd.
3. Crest Best Run Fest races will take place October 10-11, 2020 and the events will adhere to the social distancing guidelines.

Joe Visconi, 308 Washington Avenue, thanked law enforcement and supports the funding. Furthermore, he asked about the proposed bike path from Rambler south. The mayor re-iterated that the CAFRA permit initially had this component in the permit, but it has been removed. There were potential issues (ponding, dunes, elevations, etc.) and it was relayed that a new application permit could be filed later on. Lastly, Mr. Visconi asked about the referendum for liquor license and he expressed worry over hotels and motels also acquiring a license.

Via Facebook:

Suzanne Brown, 8605 Bayview Drive, agreed with the plastics ordinance to keep plastic straws and recycle them.

Lynn Spellman, 109 E. Topeka Avenue, inquired about yard sale, but the Mayor addressed it.

Beth Magnani, 404-406 E. Farragut inquired at construction debris all over at the end of her street. The Mayor indicated that Code Enforcement would be contacted.

Michelle Zarra, 406 E. Stanton Road, inquired if there will be a manger at Sunset Lake this year since there was the Star of David. The Mayor indicated that the Borough respects all faiths and one was supposed to have been ordered and will follow up. Secondly, Ms. Zarra asked if East Stanton will have the extended mats next year and the Mayor added that there is an application in with CMC Open Space for funding and if financially possible, it would be a phased in program. Lastly, Ms. Zarra asked if East Stanton will get a curb cutout to enter the beach for carts. Again, the Mayor added that there is an application with CMC Open Space for funding.

Beth Murtaugh, 122 E. Myrtle Road, indicated that a street light blinks all night in front of her house and contacted Atlantic City Electric and nothing has been done. She was told you can report this both online and on the phone app.

For the record, the meeting started with 16 people in attendance and ended with 16 people in attendance.

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: September 23, 2020

Patricia A. Feketics, Borough Clerk
