

Note: Complete Meeting Appears
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September 22, 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 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 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.

Prior to ordinance introduction, the Mayor pointed out the meeting room is currently under construction so that meetings will be more virtual friendly.

THE CLERK READS THE RE-INTRODUCED ORDINANCE BY TITLE:
ORDINANCE NO. 1363 RE-INTRODUCED

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 59-3 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST, KNOWN AS THE "SALARY ORDINANCE," FIXING AND DETERMINING SALARIES AND COMPENSATIONS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST, AND PROVIDING FOR THE RAISING OF THE AMOUNTS THEREOF BY TAXATION AND FOR THE TIME AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

Mrs. Gould motioned, Mr. Thompson seconded that Ordinance No. 1363 be passed on first reading, advertised according to law, be brought up for second and final reading and public hearing on October 6, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Vote: Gould - Thompson - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:
RESOLUTION NO. 21-271

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR BICYCLE CONCESSION NO. 3 AT HEATHER ROAD FOR BICYCLE RENTALS ONLY AND BICYCLE CONCESSION NO. 8A AT RAMBLER ROAD FOR BICYCLE RENTALS ONLY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, in the County of Cape May, New Jersey, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized, instructed and empowered to advertise Notice to Bidders in *The Herald of Cape May County* issue of September 29, 2021.

Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Committee at Wildwood Crest Borough Hall at 11:00 A.M. on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2021, for furnishing the item hereinafter set forth in accordance with the Specifications on file in the Borough Hall. Said item is as follows:

**BICYCLE CONCESSION NO. 3
AT HEATHER ROAD FOR BICYCLE RENTALS ONLY**

Description: Bicycle stand located at Heather Road and Beach Drive, otherwise known as Block 21.04, Lot 8 in the Borough of Wildwood Crest.

**BICYCLE CONCESSION NO. 8A
AT RAMBLER ROAD FOR BICYCLE RENTALS ONLY**

Description: Bicycle stand located on Rambler Road, the area of the leasehold to be at a specific location to be determined by the Board of Commissioners.

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. 21-272

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING CREST MEMORIAL ART STUDENTS TO PAINT A WELLNESS MURAL ON THE SIDEWALK AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE BOROUGH'S TOURISM BUILDING ON RAMBLER ROAD

WHEREAS, in March of 2021, the Borough of Wildwood Crest was designated as a “Healthy Town” in the statewide Mayors Wellness Campaign; and

WHEREAS, a component of the borough’s wellness initiative focuses on programs that help reduce stress and builds healthy bodies and minds; and

WHEREAS, Crest Memorial Art Teacher Linda Ennis suggested having a wellness mural painted by Crest Memorial School art students to encourage children to exercise while accomplishing the course and reaffirming their pledge to be kind; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest are in full agreement support of this proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, New Jersey, that Crest Memorial School Art students, under the direction of Teacher Linda Ennis, are hereby authorized to paint the wellness mural at the entrance to the Tourism building on Rambler Road.

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. 21-273

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST WAIVING SPECIAL EVENTS APPLICATION ADDITIONAL FEES AND BOROUGH SUPPORT FEES TO DELMOSPORTS LLC FOR CREST BEST FOOT RACES

WHEREAS, DelMoSports LLC applied for a Special Events permit to hold Crest Best foot races on October 2-3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of supporting tourism for the Wildwoods and the Wildwood Crest Community, the Commissioners have agreed to waive any additional special event fees and Borough support 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 additional fees and Borough support fees be waived to DelMoSports LLC for Crest Best Run Fest.

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. 21-274

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER WORK ORDER FOR NJ DCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM BEACH STREET END PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE IB- DESIGN DEVELOPMENT, PREPARATION OF CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS, AND BIDDING AND AWARD AT THE NTE SUM OF \$15,000

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 the **NJ DCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM BEACH STREET END PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS- PHASE IB- DESIGN DEVELOPMENT (\$6,000), PREPARATION OF CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS (\$5,000), AND BIDDING AND AWARD (\$4,000)**, for engineering services which are more specifically set forth in the attached Proposal from Marc DeBlasio and the Firm of DeBlasio & Associates, dated **August 25, 2021** 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 **\$15,000.00**; and

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

Account Number(s): _____ Amount: \$15,000.00 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 **\$15,000.00**.

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. 21-275

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST WAIVING MARRIAGE CEREMONY COMPENSATION FEE FOR CANYON CABRERA WEDDING CEREMONY OCTOBER 9, 2021

WHEREAS, Canyon Cabrera has requested performance of a wedding ceremony by Mayor Don Cabrera on October 9, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 32A-2 establishes fees for the performance of marriage and civil union ceremonies by the Mayor or Deputy Mayor in the amount of \$300 (\$50 administrative fee and \$250 officiate compensation fee); and

WHEREAS, Mayor Don Cabrera desires to waive the portion of the fee allocated to his compensation in the amount of \$250.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, New Jersey, that the portion of wedding ceremony fee for compensation of Mayor Don Cabrera be waived for Canyon Cabrera.

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

Vote: Gould - Thompson – YES Cabrera – Abstain

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-276

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING PARTIAL REFUND OF POOL MEMBERSHIP MADE PAYABLE TO ROSEANN B. TERMINI IN THE AMOUNT OF \$58.00

WHEREAS, ROSEANN B. TERMINI made payment to the Borough of Wildwood Crest in the amount of \$175.00 via check #6577 on January 2, 2021 for pool membership fee; and

WHEREAS, ROSEANN B. TERMINI has indicated that she is unable to use the membership during the months of September through December, 2021 and has requested a refund; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners have recommended the refund amount of \$58.00 be processed; and

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 issue a refund of \$58.000 to ROSEANN B. TERMINI, 905 Washington Boulevard, North Cape May, New Jersey, 08204 for said partial refund.

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. 21-277

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION AND REFUND OF TAXES FOR TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN FROM JANUARY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 15, 2021

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest Ordinance 1277 states the manner in which the Borough of Wildwood Crest will refund Totally Disabled Veteran’s tax exemptions, limited to the current calendar year, and

WHEREAS, the below listed property owner has produced a letter from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs dated June 4, 2021, and;

WHEREAS, the letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs stated the date of eligibility is January 16, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the below listed property owner made application to the Tax Assessor for a Totally Disabled Veteran’s Exemption on June 16, 2021, and

WHEREAS, the below listed parcel was granted a 100% Totally Disabled Veteran Exemption on June 16, 2021, and taxes from June 16, 2021, through December 31, 2021, were previously cancelled and refunded by Resolution 21-245

Block /Lot	Name	Amount
58/17.02	Frank and Diane Lupo 6701 Park Boulevard 100% Totally Disabled Veteran Exemption Refund tax overpayment to homeowner	\$2,338.29

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 September 22, 2021.

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. 21-278

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FOR PERMIT #SO21-0605 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,800.00

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has received email approval from the Borough Engineer, DeBlasio & Associates, on August 31, 2021 to refund escrow to South Jersey Gas Company for Street Opening Permit #SO21-0605, Block 144.01/Lot 4 (For Reference); and

WHEREAS, South Jersey Gas Company, 1 South Jersey Place, Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401 has notified the Borough of Wildwood Crest Construction Department that the Atlantic Avenue and 6 Other Streets Gas Main Renewal project, Block 144.01/Lot 4 (For Reference) “has been moved to the Fall of 2022” and has requested a refund of the unused escrow balance; and

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest Construction Official has confirmed that all Borough Engineer billings related to Street Opening Application #SO201-0605 are complete; and

WHEREAS, South Jersey Gas Company, 1 South Jersey Place, Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401 made an escrow payment to the Borough of Wildwood Crest of \$32,000.00 on July 8, 2021 for Street Opening Permit for location Atlantic Avenue and 6 Other Streets Gas Main Renewal, Block 144.01/Lot 4 (For Reference) and has requested return of the unused escrow balance; and

WHEREAS, the escrow used totaled \$200.00 and the Borough of Wildwood Crest Construction Official is recommending the return of the unused escrow fee of \$31,800.00.

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 \$31,800.00 to South Jersey Gas Company, 1 South Jersey Place, Atlantic City, New Jersey, 08401 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 \$31,800.00 to South Jersey Gas Company, 1 South Jersey Place, Atlantic City, New Jersey, 08401.

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

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

REPORTS: Mrs. Gould motioned and Mr. Thompson 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 August 31, 2021 be accepted as presented.

Vote: Gould - Thompson – Cabrera – YES

MINUTES: Mrs. Gould motioned and Mr. Thompson seconded all minutes from the regularly scheduled Commission meetings dated August 18, 2021 and September 1, 2021 be approved as presented.

Vote: Gould - Thompson – Cabrera – YES

PUBLIC COMMENTARY: The Mayor requested Public Commentary to move up on the agenda.

Frank Lupo, New Jersey Avenue, raised issue with the date on the resolution for the refund for totally disable veteran. The Solicitor indicated the resolution was drafted pursuant to Borough Code. The mayor added the matter would be investigated and someone would be in touch with Mr. Lupo.

Dave McWilliams, New Jersey Avenue, asked for a copy of the introduced salary and the clerk indicated she would provide a copy.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

September 22, 2021

COVID-19 UPDATE

The Borough hosted a mobile COVID-19 vaccination clinic at the EMS Building at 9500 Pacific yesterday from 9:30 to 1 pm. The County continues to hold regular vaccination clinics throughout Cape May County in various locations. We encourage everyone interested in obtaining vaccinations to visit the Cape May County Health Department's website.

ONGOING AND UPCOMING PROJECTS

Beach End Bump Outs

Two beach pump outs have been completed with amenities such as the showers and furnishings to be installed shortly. We have re-submitted our application to Open Spaces to obtain special recreational funding in the amount of \$2.5M for the beach bump outs south of Rambler and expect the board to contemplate our application next week. We were awarded a \$400,000 FY2021 DCA Small Cities Grant Funds for this project for phase 1 have prepared and application for another \$400,000 in 2022.

Pacific Avenue stormwater and sanitary sewer improvements are complete. The County is expected to issue a notice proceed and commence their reconstruction work in October. Pertinent information regarding the County's project will be posted on the Borough's website as we receive it.

The **Scoop Taylor** ADA improvements project is again underway, and the new playground equipment and concrete was installed. The shelter, remaining hardscaping improvements and landscaping is now being constructed. This project is mostly funded by a FY2020 Small Cities ADA grant.

As you all know, the replacement and improvement of wind-damaged property at the **Little League Field** has been on-going. I have confirmed with the contractor- Rapid Recovery that the construction of the batting cages, improvements to the bathrooms, press box, and a new home team dugout will commence in mid-October.

There is nothing new to report on the **Herford Inlet to Cape May Inlet Beach and Dune project**. I continue to work with NJDEP to answer questions and clarify issues that come up with the state aid agreement.

We have continued to meet and work with Cape May County's engineer and professionals on design elements and improvements to the **New Jersey Avenue project**. The stakeholder meeting originally planned for May will now hopefully take place in the early fall. Changes have been proposed to the parking areas in two blocks and we have received a petition regarding the proposed parking area on the corner of Wisteria.

The preferred storm reduction method has been posted for Army Corps' Back Bays Coastal Storm Risk Management Study. The report is very lengthy and breaks the project down in sections from Monmouth County to Cape May County. Hard structures such as levies are proposed for the inlets as well as natural methods of fortification in the back bays. The entire report can be found at <https://www.nap.usace.army.mil/Media/News-Releases/Article/2738123/army-corps-releases-draft-report-for-new-jersey-back-bays-study/>.

In our pursuit of the continuation of our Plan Endorsement, our Municipal Self-Assessment Report was forwarded to

the Office of Planning Advocacy over 3 months ago. We are still awaiting word back from the State to proceed through the next necessary steps.

Commissioner Thompson asked how the COVID vaccination clinic held at the EMS building was and if we knew any numbers. The Administrator indicated she did not hear, but would follow up.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Grant Applications

1. **Fiscal Year 2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program**
 - The NJDOT has announced they are receiving State Aid applications for Roadways, Bikeways, Pedestrian, Safe Streets to Transit and Transit Villages.
 - The Borough has selected the reconstruction of Syracuse Avenue from the beach block to Bayview Avenue. The applications was successfully submitted on June 1, 2021.
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. **Fiscal Year 2022 NJDCA Small Cities Program**
 - The Borough has decided to submit a grant application for ADA beach access improvements-phase 2 (Louisville Avenue to Toledo Road).
 - Our office successfully provided the supporting engineering report to Mark Blauer on September 2nd.
4. **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 CMCOSB has requested additional information via their September 9th review letter and our office is providing the requested items the week of September 20th.

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 contractor has completed all the work in the original contract and we are in the process of contract closeout.
 - The Borough has approved a Change Order for improvements on Washington Avenue and various streets.
 - The Contractor is scheduled to mobilize to Washington Avenue the week of October 4th.
2. **Fiscal Year 2021 NJDCA Small Cities Program**
 - The Borough has decided to submit a grant application for ADA beach access improvements-phase 1 (Orchid Road to Toledo Road).
 - On June 22nd, the Borough was notified that a \$400,000.00 grant was allocated for the project.
 - Our office has submitted a proposal to the Borough to complete this project. Upon authorization from the Borough, we will begin work immediately.
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 Stanton Road.
 - The improvements on Beach Avenue are scheduled for the week of October 11th.
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.
 - The playground and safety surface has been installed.
 - The contractor mobilized back to the site the week of September 20th to complete the remaining improvements.
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.
 - The contractor has completed Newark Avenue and Trenton Avenue.

- The contractor has remobilized to the Borough to complete the remaining five (5) street ends.

Dave McWilliams, New Jersey Avenue, inquired about the beach bump outs. There was discussion regarding timeline, price, grants, capital funding for this project. It was made known that south of Rambler Road, there should be approximately 12 street ends by end of 2022 and the borough has designs in place for streets north of Rambler Road due to the bike path. There was discussion also about bike racks and placement on the street ends.

Phil Petrone, Jefferson Avenue, indicated that trash cans currently block the pathway as well. The Mayor pointed out that Newark Avenue street end layout is complete and advised to check it. The Administrator added that the Borough will be using coastal design elements on the trash cans as per Cape may County Open Space and that the Engineer has the design, and we can certainly post it. The mayor added that walkways will also be getting replaced.

The Mayor added that Scoop Taylor Park project has taken longer than expected due to material delays and that hardscaping, new pavilion, new trees are forthcoming. Commissioner Thompson added that ADA amenities will be added.

CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

-Model Statewide Electric Vehicle (EV) Ordinance / grants to support EV and Stations:

The Administrator gave a brief overview of the model ordinance regarding EV that every municipality is required to pass. It was noted that this is a permitted use under Land Use and they are currently reviewing and making suggestions for Wildwood Crest.

-Poverty levels in CMC and WC staff market wages for those under: The Mayor indicated after reviewing union contracts and having a shortness with seasonal labor, certain staff are underpaid and they will be examining all positions to make sure Wildwood Crest is comparable to neighboring municipalities. Commissioner Gould asked how many public works employees received \$3,000 raise and the Mayor indicated 6 or 7.

-Dredging – retain special counsel to advance the ball and possible shared services with others: The mayor indicated there are on going discussions regarding the back bays and it may be time to get more on board to get some progress. There is an upcoming meeting with neighboring municipalities soon.

-Halloween Hours: It was determined that Halloween hours will remain in Wildwood Crest from 5:00-7:00 on October 31st. A resolution will be forthcoming.

-Andrew Alamo Park: Commissioner Gould indicated that the triangle park by Miami Avenue should be renamed Andrew Alamo Park. All agreed and thought it was a good idea. This will require an ordinance.

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 – Administrator discussed.

-Beach Bike Path – On hold.

-Public Transportation – It was noted that not many phone calls were received over the summer for trolleys; however, Commissioner Thompson indicated he did. He noted that over the Fireman's weekend, Atlantic City jitneys came down to shuttle back and forth and it seemed to work well. He wanted to follow up with them and maybe Sea Isle Jitneys. The Administrator spoke with AC Jitneys previously and they wanted Wildwood Crest to pay upfront and it didn't seem feasible to burden Wildwood Crest taxpayers. It was also suggested to reach out to Cape May County Fare Free transportation. Mayor Cabrera asked Commissioner Thompson to take the lead.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

Dave McWilliams, New Jersey Avneue, inquired about a future stakeholder meeting for New Jersey Avenue. The mayor indicated the original drawings have been changed. He reminded all that the county owns Rambler to Jefferson on Pacific Avenue and that project was delayed due to bidder litigation so it delayed New Jersey Avenue progress. Secondly, Mr. McWilliams inquired about the amount of money that New Jersey and in particular, Wildwood Crest, will get from federal government. It was mentioned that we have received approximately \$280,000.00.

Ann Petrone, Jefferson Avenue, indicated she and her husband were representing 300 East Jefferson Avenue and they were tired of the shenanigans by a developer in Lower Township. They claimed there are several CAFRA violations of misuse and onsite parking is lacking and being overlooked by DEP. They questioned where the variances and permits are and indicated 20 rooms were added without approvals and they never applied to Wildwood Water for approvals. They wanted to make borough aware that the develop has recently purchased a property in Wildwood Crest and they never got noticed via certified mail like their neighbors. Mr. Petrone indicated at this time, he still sees large trucks going down the street and still has brown water.

The mayor reminded all that Wildwood Crest attended the Lower Township board meeting previously and spoken to Code enforcement and Planning Board and the Borough will do what we can. Lastly, they asked when Jefferson Avenue will be redone and the Administrator indicated that all Borough streets have been scored by our engineer and it is based on infrastructure underneath and Jefferson ranked 63. She indicated they are more than welcome to take a look at the comprehensive report.

Hearing nothing, Mrs. Gould motioned, and Mr. Thompson seconded that the meeting be adjourned. All were in favor. The time was 6:41 p.m..

Dated: October 20, 2021

Patricia A. Feketics, Borough Clerk

