Note: Meeting Appears July 30, 2025

On Borough of Wildwood Crest Facebook page and You tube by date.

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 5:00 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 emailing and same to the Herald of Cape May County and The Press of Atlantic City on October 15, 2024.

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

Mr. Franco motioned and Mr. Schiff seconded that Ordinance No. 1462 be placed on second reading and final passage by title only.

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE BY TITLE:

ORDINANCE NO. 1464

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 11, BRUSH MAINTENANCE, REGULATING BRUSH, WEEDS AND DEBRIS ON ALL LANDS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST

Mr. Franco motioned and Mr. Schiff seconded that Ordinance No. 1464 be passed on first reading advertised according to law, be brought up for second and final reading and public hearing on August 13, 2025 at 9:30 am.

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE BY TITLE:

ORDINANCE NO. 1465

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 85, SECTION 85-69 LANDSCAPING IN ALL ZONES OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST TO FURTHER CLARIFY THAT USE OF ARTIFICIAL GRASS OR TURF HAS BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE PROHIBITED

Mr. Franco motioned and Mr. Schiff seconded that Ordinance No. 1465 be passed on first reading advertised according to law, be brought up for second and final reading and public hearing on August 13, 2025 at 9:30 am.

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE BY TITLE:

ORDINANCE NO. 1466

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST CHAPTER 85, SECTION 85-26(D) ACCESSORY USES IN THE R-1 LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL ZONE; SECTION 85-30(D) IN THE R-1A SEMI-LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL ZONE; SECTION 85-32 AREA AND BULK REGULATIONS IN THE R-1A SEMI-LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL ZONE; SECTION 85-38(D) ACCESSORY USES IN THE R-2 TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONE; SECTION 85-55 AREA AND BULK REGULATIONS IN THE MC MARINE COMMERCIAL ZONE;

SECTION 85-58 ACCESSORY USES IN THE HOTEL, MOTEL AND MULTI-FAMILY ZONE

Mr. Franco motioned and Mr. Schiff seconded that Ordinance No. 1466 be passed on first reading advertised according to law, be brought up for second and final reading and public hearing on August 13, 2025 at 9:30 am.

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-232

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET TO ACCOUNT FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR THE LOCAL EFFICIENCY ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM (LEAP)

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 \$ 125,000.00 from the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for the Local Efficiency Achievement Program, and wishes to amend its 2025 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 2025 in the sum of \$ 125,000.00

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:

Local Efficiency Achievement Program \$...... 125,000.00

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:
Local Efficiency Achievement Program

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough CFO 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, and Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-233

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING A PARTIAL REFUND OF BEACH BOX RENTAL FEES TO MULTIPLE CUSTOMERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,539.00

WHEREAS, multiple customers purchased seasonal beach boxes with an expected access date that was delayed due to supply chain issues with the vendors resulting in the beach boxes not being delivered by the anticipated access date; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received a request for partial refund of the rental fees in the amount of \$1,539.00 as set forth on the attached schedule which is attached hereto.

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 total amount of \$1,539.00 to the persons and in the amounts set forth on the attached schedule which is hereby approved.

BEACH BOX REFUNDS - \$56.70 each

Media, PA, 19063

3811 Shunpike Road

Rio Grande, NJ, 08242

Jeanne Turner

Jason Quenzel

Richard Bartus

Richard Coyle Wilmington, DE, 19810

1907 Morrell Street Megan Millard

Philadelphia, PA, 19115 9 Arborwood Court Jamie Capizzi Sewell, NJ, 08080 6 Lynne Place Hillsdale, NJ, 07642

Patricia Dykyj

540 White Boak Road Rose Murowany

Blue Bell, PA, 19044 405 Snuff Mill road Denise Patti Hockessin, DE, 19707 20 Church Road

Sanford Coacher 1811 Fitzwater Street

Joyce Pomponio 206 Barclay Lane Philadelphia, PA, 19146 Cherry Hill, NJ, 08034

Stevetta Donaruma 101 Bertron Road Amanda Molino

Flemington, NJ, 08822 3524 Bayshore Road

North Cape May, NJ, 08204 128 Branchwood Drive Deptford, NJ, 08096 Susie Erickson

111 Sheldon Street Michelle Mustari Wyckoff, NJ, 07481 311 Ridgecrest Avenue

Staten Island, NY, 10312 21 Mississippi Trail Katie Kauffman Turnersville, NJ, 08012

543 Summercroft Drive

Drusilla Hasson

Exton, PA, 19341 1695 Valley Green Avenue Donna Davenport Paoli, PA, 19301 606 Atlantic Avenue

Kristine Coniglio North Cape May, NJ, 08204

17 Kristen Lane **Paul Jennings** Mantua, NJ, 08051 102 Dale Road

BEACH BOX REFUNDS -- \$101.25 each

Carlee Crosby 112 Gleaves Road Springfield, PA, 19064

Sean Gill

Kristine Rotella 206 Windward Avenue 5 Evergreen Terrace Beachwood, NJ, 08722

Kinnelon, NJ, 07405

Brian Cunniff

Agostino Abitino 204 W Lavender Road 664 83rd Street Wildwood Crest, NJ, 08260

Brooklyn, NY, 11228

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

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE: RESOLUTION NO. 25-234

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING NO CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NEEDED FOR **2024 AUDIT**

WHEREAS, the 2024 Audit was received by the members of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest; and

WHEREAS, no comments or recommendations were made in the 2024 audit; and

WHEREAS, a Corrective Action Plan is not needed.

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:

The members of the governing body have acknowledged that there were no comments and recommendations and a Corrective Action Plan is not required as set forth in the 2024 Audit.

2. That a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Division of Local Government Services, Chief Financial Officer and the Municipal Auditor.

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

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-235

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO CAPE MAY COUNTY COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE, INC. ALSO KNOWN AS CAPE ASSIST FOR EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 authorizes the award of any contract without competitive bidding for any purchase, work or service that does not exceed in the fiscal year the total sum of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred (\$17,500) Dollars; and

WHEREAS, Cape May County Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, Inc. (hereafter "Cape Assist") has submitted a proposal, received July 7, 2025, to provide the Borough of Wildwood Crest with an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and the Board of Commissioners is satisfied that Cape Assist has the credentials and abilities to perform such services; and

WHEREAS, the contract amount is \$21.00 per each full-time employee and \$15.00 per each seasonal employee for twelve months beginning August 1, 2025 and ending July 31, 2026; and

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

Account Number(s)	Amount <u>\$</u>
Signature_	

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 that a contract hereby is awarded to Cape Assist for services in the form of an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the agreement.

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

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-236

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST WAIVING SPECIAL EVENTS APPLICATION ADDITIONAL FEES AND BOROUGH SUPPORT FEES TO AMANDA'S WISH FOUNDATION FOR MEMORIAL 5K RUN / FAMILY WALK TAKING PLACE ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 FROM 7:00 TO 10:00 AM

WHEREAS, Amanda's Wish Foundation applied for a Special Events permit to hold a Memorial 5K / Family Walk Race on September 14, 2025 from 7:00 am to 10:00 am; 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 Amanda's Wish Foundation for Memorial 5K / Family Walk Race.

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

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-237

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER WORK ORDER FOR NEW JERSEY AVENUE SANITARY SEWER AND WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE NTE SUM OF \$100,000

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 NEW JERSEY AVENUE SANITARY SEWER AND WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS for engineering costs which are more specifically set forth in the attached Proposal from Marc DeBlasio and the Firm of DeBlasio & Associates,

dated July 10, 2025 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 \$100,000.00; 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, 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 costs 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 \$100,000.00.

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

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-238

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER WORK ORDER FOR SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS NJ INFRASTRUCTURE BANK APPLICATION FY2026 CLEAN WATER APPLICATIONAT THE NTE SUM OF \$5,000

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 SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS NJ INFRASTRUCTURE BANK APPLICATION FY2026 CLEAN WATER APPLICATION for engineering costs which are more specifically set forth in the attached Proposal from Marc DeBlasio and the Firm of DeBlasio & Associates, dated July 10, 2025 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 \$5,000.00; 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, 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 costs 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 \$5,000.00.

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

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-239

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF LYNDA MEDVEC AS AN ADVISORY MEMBER OF THE WILDWOOD CREST GREEN TEAM AND FILLING A VACATED POSITION WITH TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2026

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy position for an advisory member of the GREEN TEAM of the Borough of Wildwood Crest; and

WHEREAS, said vacated term will expire December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, LYNDA MEDVEC has expressed interest in filling the vacated position; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest to appoint LYNDA MEDVEC as an advisory member of the GREEN TEAM of the Borough of Wildwood Crest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest that **LYNDA MEDVEC** be and she is hereby appointed as an advisory member of the GREEN TEAM of the Borough of Wildwood Crest filling a vacated term and commencing immediately and expiring December 31, 2026.

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

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-240

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 – 2025 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM – TO REFLECT ADDITIONAL CROSSWALKS AND AS-BUILT QUANTITY ADJUSTMENTS - AT THE NTE SUM OF \$4,058.56 FOR AMENDED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$158,260.56

WHEREAS, SOUTH STATE, INC., PO Box 68, Bridgeton, New Jersey 08302 was awarded a Contract known as 2025 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM- via Resolution No. 25-142 on April 30, 2025 for \$154,202.40; and

WHEREAS, Marc DeBlasio of DeBlasio & Associates has reviewed the request for additional work for ADDITIONAL CROSSWALKS AND AS-BUILT QUANTITY ADJUSTMENTS and approves Change Order No 1 –2025 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM with an increase amount of \$4,058.56 all of which is detailed in the attachment to the Change Order and revising the Contract Price to \$158,260.56; and

WHEREAS, the CFO has ce	rtified the availability	of funds as evidenced below by her signature:
Account Number:	Amount: <u>\$4,058.56</u>	Signature:
NOW THEREFORE, BE I' Crest, County of Cape May and State		e Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood ows:

- 1. That the above recital paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length.
- 2. That said Change Order Number 1- increasing the total contract amount by \$4,058.56 and revising the contract price to \$158,260.56 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, and Mr. Franco seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted. Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-241

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER WORK ORDER FOR BOROUGH OWNED BEACH PROPERTIES – MAJOR SUBDIVISION SURVEY AND MAPPING SERVICES AT THE NTE SUM OF \$7,500

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 BOROUGH OWNED BEACH PROPERTIES – MAJOR SUBDIVISION SURVEY AND MAPPING SERVICES for engineering costs which are more specifically set forth in the attached Proposal from Marc DeBlasio and the Firm of DeBlasio & Associates, dated July 18, 2025 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 \$7,500.00; 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, 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 costs 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 \$7,500.00.

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

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE: RESOLUTION NO. 25-242

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FOR PLANNING BOARD APPLICATION #PB-24-07 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$728.50

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest Planning Board Secretary has received approval from the Borough Engineer, DeBlasio & Associates, and Borough Solicitor, Robert T. Belasco, Esquire on July 23, 2025 to refund escrow to Michael Eckmeyer for Planning Board Application #PB-24-07, Block 149/Lot 11.02/Qualifier C000B; and

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest Planning Board Secretary has confirmed that all invoices related to Planning Board Application #PB-24-07 have been reconciled; and

WHEREAS, Michael Eckmeyer, 122 W. Hollywood Ave. #B, Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260 made an escrow payment to the Borough of Wildwood Crest of \$1,000 on May 14, 2024 for Planning Board Application for location 122 W. Hollywood Ave. #B, Block 149 /Lot 11.02 /Qualifier C000B and has requested return of the unused escrow balance; and

WHEREAS, the escrow used totaled \$271.50 and the Borough of Wildwood Crest Planning Board Secretary is recommending the return of the unused escrow fee of \$728.50.

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 \$728.50 to Michael Eckmeyer, 122 W. Hollywood Avenue #B, Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260 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 \$728.50 to Michael Eckmeyer, 122 W. Hollywood Avenue #B, Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260.

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

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE: RESOLUTION NO. 25-243

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FOR

WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FOR PLANNING BOARD APPLICATION #PB-23-15 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,252.00

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest Planning Board Secretary has received approval from the Borough Engineer, DeBlasio & Associates, and Borough Solicitor, Robert T. Belasco, Esquire on July 23, 2025 to refund escrow to Frank Mangini for Planning Board Application #PB-23-15, Block 34.03/Lot 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20; and

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest Planning Board Secretary has confirmed that all invoices related to Planning Board Application #PB-23-15 have been reconciled; and

WHEREAS, Frank Mangini, 121 Galleria Drive, Mays Landing, NJ 08330 made an escrow payment to the Borough of Wildwood Crest of \$1,600 on September 7, 2023 for Planning Board Application for location 6101 Atlantic Avenue, Block 34.03 /Lot 4 and has requested return of the unused escrow balance; and

WHEREAS, the escrow used totaled \$348.00 and the Borough of Wildwood Crest Planning Board Secretary is recommending the return of the unused escrow fee of \$1,252.00.

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 \$1,252.00 to Frank Mangini, 121 Galleria Drive, Mays Landing, NJ 08330 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 \$1,252.00 to Frank Mangini, 121 Galleria Drive, Mays Landing, NJ 08330

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

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

<u>BILLS:</u> Mr. Franco motions, and Mr. Schiff seconded that all bills properly authorized, as submitted, be paid.

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

Report from Chief Lloyd: Calls for Service: 2,284

Calls Requiring Multiple Officers: 1170

Criminal Investigations: 154

Service Calls: 482

Traffic: 726

Motor Vehicle Stops: 461 Traffic Summons Issued: 120

Accidents: 15 Arrests: 30

Training Hours: 327 Property Checks: 456

Chief Lloyd reminded all that National Night Out is Tuesday, August 5th and invited all to attend.

EMS Run Report from William Cripps (EMS Supervisor and OEM):

Total Runs: 158

Cardiac Emergency: 6

Falls: 13

Respiratory Emergency: 12

Trauma: 2

Motor Vehicle Accidents: 7 Water Rescue *stand by: 2

Fire: 44 Transport: 3

Supervisor Cripps advised all to keep an eye on the weather with respect to OEM.

REPORTS: Mr. Franco motions, and Mr. Schiff seconded that all reports received from the Court Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Tax Collector, Chief of Police, Supervisor of the Recreation Department, Construction Official, Fire Prevention, Emergency Services Coordinator for the EMS and the Wildwood Crest Volunteer Fire Company for the month ending June 30, 2025 be accepted as presented.

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

MINUTES: Mr. Franco motions, and Mr. Schiff seconded that all minutes from the regularly scheduled meetings dated June 25, 2025 and July 9, 2025 be approved as presented.

Vote: Schiff - Franco - Cabrera - YES

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Date: July 30, 2025

Capital Projects

- 1. <u>Bayside Bulkhead Replacement and Flood Mitigation Improvements</u>
- ➤ The contractor has completed all of the underground storm sewer system piping and has completed the bulkhead installation at Primrose, Myrtle, Lotus, Fern, Forget-Me-Not, Columbine, Sweetbriar Road and Cardinal Road.
- \triangleright Concrete work and base paving were completed on the above streets. The contractor demobilized on June 13th per the contract and plans to return to complete the work starting September 2nd.
- 2. FY2023 NJDCA Small Cities Program-Municipal Building Bathroom Improvements
- The bid opening occurred on October 30, 2024, and the lowest responsible bidder was Capri Construction Company in the amount of \$270,549.00.
- All work is complete and it is in the closeout phase.
- 3. FY 2024 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program-Reconstruction of Toledo Avenue
 - ➤ The bid opening occurred on October 30, 2024, and the apparent low bidder was Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc in the amount of \$2,174,400.00.
 - All work is complete and it is in the closeout phase.
- 4. 2025 Road Resurfacing Program
 - ➤ The bid opening occurred on April 23, 2025 and the apparent low bidder was South State, Inc. in the amount of \$154,202.40.
 - A preconstruction meeting was held on May 7, 2025 and the contractor completed the paving work and roadway striping. The project is in the closeout phase.

5. NJ IBank (NJIB) – Sanitary Sewer and Roadway Improvements

- > The NJIB advised the Borough that approximately \$3,000,000.00 in grant forgiveness is available along with grant funding for engineering services.
- ➤ The bid opening occurred on June 24, 2025 and the apparent low bidder is Charles Marandino, LLC in the amount of \$2,573,600.00. The preconstruction meeting was held on July 24th and construction will begin on September 2nd.

Grant Applications

1. FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance (BRIC) & (HMA)

- The Borough is proposing to submit to FEMA BRIC for two (2) bayside storm sewer pump stations and associated storm sewer improvements in the northwest section of the Borough.
- > The Borough is proposing to submit to FEMA HMA for the Washington Avenue storm sewer improvements as outlined in the recently completed study.
- ▶ Both grant applications have secured initial selection from FEMA.
- Additional information was provided to NJOEM on November 14th.

2. FY 2024 NJDCA Boardwalk Preservation Fund

- > The Borough has selected to submit the Reconstruction of the Heather Road fishing pier.
- ➤ The grant application requests \$3,600,000.00 for the replacement and extension of the fishing pier including ADA accessible walkways, fishing nodes and pavilion.
- ➤ The Borough was notified by NJDCA that a \$1,087,425.00 grant was allocated for the project.

3. Federal Funding Grant Opportunity-Congressman Van Drew – FY2024

- Our office has been in contact with Congressman Jeff Van Drew's office to discuss federal funding opportunities for Borough capital projects.
- ➤ On December 28, 2023, our office submitted a funding request for bayside flood mitigation improvements.
- ➤ On March 12th, our office and the Borough met with representatives of Congressman Van Drew's office and were informed that the project was selected for special funding consideration.

4. FY2025 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program

- ➤ The NJDOT is accepting grant applications for Bikeway, Pedestrian and Roadway Improvement Projects. The application deadline is July 1, 2024.
- Our office has been authorized by the Borough to submit the Reconstruction of Stockton Road as the grant application.
- The grant application was submitted on May 28, 2024.
- ➤ The Borough was notified that a \$158,190.00 grant was allocated for this project.

5. FY2024 NJDCA Small Cities Program – Crest Pier Bathroom Improvements

➤ The Borough was notified that a \$400,000.00 grant was allocated by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for Crest Pier ADA Bathroom Improvements.

6. Cape May County Open Space Board (CMCOSB) Application – Crest Fishing Pier

- Our office was authorized on May 14, 2025 to prepare and submit a grant application to the CMCOSB.
- We are currently working on the grant application.

7. Federal Funding Grant Opportunity – Congressman Van Drew – FY2025

- Our office has been in contact with Congressman Jeff Van Drew's office to discuss federal funding opportunities for Borough capital projects.
- On March 13, 2025, our office submitted a funding request for Crest Fishing Pier Reconstruction.

8. FY2026 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program

- ➤ The NJDOT is accepting grant applications for Bikeway, Pedestrian and Roadway Improvement Projects. The application deadline is June 30, 2025.
- Our office was authorized by the Borough to submit the Reconstruction of Denver Avenue as the grant application.
- ➤ The application was submitted to the State on June 12, 2025.

The Mayor added that he is requesting the I-Bank project commence after the Crest Best Run and the Engineer agreed that they would commence on a street that would not interfere.

CORRESPONDENCE: N/a

DISCUSSION:

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

OLD BUSINESS:

- **-Box Truck Ordinance** Under review; the Chief said there are some suggested revisions and amendments and it needed further review before moving forward.
- -250th birthday committee- Volunteers are still being solicited.
- -WC Municipal App- On hold.
- -Historical museum 2025 On hold; there may be a potential volunteer to catalog and inventory items.
- **-Traffic Calming** Waiting to hear back on SS4A grant submitted on behalf of the borough by Colliers Engineering.
- -Back Beach Excavation: on hold pending finances and will review after the season.
- **-Dredging:** Comm. Franco indicated that they are still in the acquisition phase and doesn't anticipate this happening until next year.
- -Washington / Seaview beach outfalls and capacity: Still waiting to hear.
- **-US ACE** / **NJ DEP Dune**: There is a meeting scheduled July 31st between the three municipalities and the USACE and NJDEP and the borough's position has not changed.
- -Borough Hall Renovations- OSK Architects have been through the building and are working on design concepts.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Five minutes maximum)

PUBLIC:

Mike Marino requested more painted lines and signage near Park and Cresse avenues to help calm the traffic.

Michael Gericke asked if the recent bulkhead project is tied to NJ REAL and he was informed that the bulkhead project conforms to borough ordinance and REAL applies to residential and commercial buildings. He then asked about the artificial turf ordinance and what happens to someone that already has it. The Mayor added it has always been prohibited and some have received a Notice of Violation and some seam to have permits from years ago. Those that continue to be in violation will be cited and it will be up to a judge. Also, the Mayor suggested a FAQ to be placed on website and updated Code.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Franco – Thanks to the Recreation Department, Police, EMTs for their hard work at the Christmas in July event; it was a true success.

Commissioner Schiff – Echoed National Night Out is 8/5/25 and also thanked all that helped with a recent structure fire on Cresse Avenue to include police, fire, and surrounding mutual aid.

Mayor Cabrera – It is the end of July and he thanked all that work so hard.

After hearing nothing from the public, Mr. Schiff motioned and Mr. Franco seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The time was 5:46 p.m.

Dated: August 26, 2025	
Patricia A. Feketics, Borough Clerk	