

**BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST GREEN TEAM**  
**Meeting Minutes – January 27, 2021**  
**Borough Hall, 6101 Pacific Avenue**

Chairperson Sam Wilson called the Borough of Wildwood Crest Green Team to order at 1pm. on 27 January via zoom

I. Chairperson Wilson read the “Sunshine Act” and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. Attendance.** Co-Chair Darleen Devlin, Mary Celebre, Joe Franco, Angel Daniels, Sam Wilson and Secretary Colleen Archer were in attendance. A quorum was declared. DPW liaison Sarah Steiner was present.

**III. Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting December 16 were approved on motion of Member Devlin, second by Member Celebre and unanimous voice vote of members eligible to vote.

**IV. Correspondence.** There was no correspondence.

**V. Old Business.**

- A. The final disposition of the Green Team’s recommendation against Bamboo for the Borough will be read at the Commissioners Meeting on Wednesday January 17 at 5:30pm. Chairperson Wilson asked if someone could attend as a representative of the Green Team. Co-Chair Devlin said she will attend. DPW liaison.
- B. Sarah Steiner reported that the Borough is compliant with the Urban Forest Management Program. The annual report will be given to Mayor Cabrera and Borough Administrator Connie Mahon on February 15. This will give the Borough the financial opportunity to receive ten thousand dollars towards a tree inventory.
- C. Chairperson Wilson then stated he has reviewed the ANJEC mail and has signed up for their newsletter with the possibility of becoming a member in the future. The fee is \$350, however.
- D. Member Daniels spoke to the status of re-engaging the Sustainable Jersey (SJ) program, letting all members know that she will be reaching out to Mr. Ralph Cooper from Sustainable Jersey for “guidance” to help the team with our task list. Chair Wilson reminded the team of the Bronze Medal Status we are trying to achieve. Member Daniels said we will need to summarize the past twelve months of Green Team activity to attain our charter. Chairperson Wilson stated that he has the minutes/agendas from the past four years to contribute.
- E. Secretary Colleen Archer reported 435 lbs of plastics collected to date.

- F. Co-Chair Devlin and Member Celebre update everyone on the progress of the Memorial Garden Project stating the project is moving into Phase One with review of Engineer Di Blasio's renderings. A recent Bond Ordinance has given the project one hundred thousand dollars. According to the ordinance, the trees that will be removed can be "chipped" into mulch for Borough usage. Liaison Steiner would like the Crest Memorial students to be involved in the tree planting once the "Implementation Phase" begins, hopefully next year.

## **VI. New Business.**

- A. Guest Speaker Anne Mercer, from American Shore Beach Preservation Association, gave a presentation on the "Blue Flag" program. This global program is an advocate for healthy coastlines. Member Celebre introduced Ms. Mercer to the Green Team, citing the Borough's unique coastal environment. Agenda item for February. All thanked Ms. Mercer for her presentation.
- B. Meeting continued with discussion regarding the creation of the Borough Arts Council, with Members Franco, Devlin Celebre and Daniels showing interest in making it possible. Chair Wilson will attempt to arrange an online meeting to take the next step.
- C. Member Franco was then asked to investigate the possibility of creating a Green Team Web Site or Face Book page by Chair Wilson. Liaison Steiner thought the FB page is a great idea. Member Daniels said all internet activities need to be run by the Borough Administrator before any ideas can move forward.
- D. Under "other" agenda items, Sarah Steiner explained her move towards an Arbor Day event which includes the students at Crest Memorial School. She plans to coordinate with the school and have each student receive seedlings and the appropriate paperwork to guide them virtually into the activity. Member Franco said he would speak to the school board regarding the tree planting. Chairperson Wilson thanked Member Steiner for her recommendation and Member Franco for reaching out to the school board.

**VII. Public Comment.** Upon the Chairperson's asking if any member of the public wished to make a comment, Ms. Mercer, the guest speaker, congratulated the team on doing a great job.

**VIII. Next Meeting.** The Team will meet on February 24 at 1 p.m. via Zoom.

**IX. Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Colleen Archer  
Secretary