

**REGULAR COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE WILDWOOD
COMMISSIONERS IN THE COUNTY OF CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY**

Wednesday, May 28, 2025
Commissioner's Meeting Room
Time: 5:00 p.m.

MEETING CALLED

Meeting called to order by the Mayor.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Mikulski lead in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk called the roll and the following Commissioners answered to their names:

McConnell – here, Mikulski – here, Troiano - here

OTHERS ATTENDING

Steven Morris, Solicitor

Ed Grant, Administrator

Jessica Stilley, DeBlasio & Associates Engineers

Lisa A. Brown, City Clerk

Sallyann Burke, Aide to the City Clerk

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

As per N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, the City Clerk read the Open Public Meetings Act Announcement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May 14, 2025 Regular Meeting

May 14, 2025 Executive Session

MOTION: McConnell SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

ORDINANCES:

1326-25 Ordinance Repealing, Restating and Amending Certain Sections of Chapter 17, Land
Development, of the Wildwood City Code
(SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION)

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

There being no comment, Public Hearing was closed.

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ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

MOTION TO ADOPT

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1326-25 has passed Second Reading

1328-25 Ordinance Amending Chapter 28 of the General Ordinances of the City of Wildwood governing
Wireless Communication Facilities
(SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION)

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: Troiano SECOND: Mikulski

ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

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MOTION TO ADOPT
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ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes
The Mayor announced Ordinance No. 1328-25 has passed Second Reading

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

RESOLUTIONS: City Clerk read the resolutions listed on the agenda.

- 221-5-25 Approving Amusement Game License(s)
- 222-5-25 Authorizing waiver of Special Event Fees for 2025 Flags of Liberty
- 223-5-25 Authorizing the execution of an Agreement regarding ADA Accommodations at Special Events
- 224-5-25 Authorizing advertisement for bids for Topsoil for Wildwood Back Bay Landfill Closure Plan to be published in the June 4, 2025 edition of the Cape May County Herald with bids being received on June 19, 2025 at 10:00am
- 225-5-25 Authorizing Triad Associates to prepare and process a 2025 USDOT Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Planning Grant Application in the amount not to exceed \$5,250.00
- 226-5-25 Approving Change Order No. 3 as submitted by Colliers Engineering & Design on behalf of Fred M. Schiavone Construction, Inc. re: Boardwalk Rehabilitation Phase VI for setup and removal of temporary diesel-powered lighting at four locations and speaker mounts and hardware (increase of \$21,773.48 for a new contract amount of \$4,944,884.42)
- 227-5-25 Authorizing advertisement for bids for Lease of Equipment of Space on a City-Owned Water Tank in the June 4, 2025 and June 11, 2025 edition of the Cape May County Herald with bids being received on July 10, 2025 at 10:00am
- 228-5-25 Amending contract with Remington & Vernick Engineers for construction phase services in connection with the Ottens Harbor Community Flood Mitigation Project, Susquehanna Drainage Improvements (increase of \$5,800.00)
- 229-5-25 Authorizing the payment of bills in the amount of \$3,621,520.72 dated May 28, 2025
- 230-5-25 Authorizing filing of all reports and other data contained in this agenda
- 231-5-25 Approval and adoption of the City of Wildwood Emergency Operations Plan
- 232-5-25 Designating August as Veterans Month in the City of Wildwood

MOTION: McConnell SECOND: Mikulski
ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

Mayor Troiano informed Mr. Dixon that during the Memorial Day festivities he asked the American Legion to reach out to their legislators to spread the word about declaring August as Veterans Month.

REPORTS:
•Engineers Report – On file in the City Clerk’s Office. Ms. Stilley said the Bennett Avenue Street End Improvement project is now complete and is in the close-out phase. The Sanitary Sewer and Water, Phase 3 project was approved by IBank to authorize this project to go out to bid. The bid was advertised yesterday with the bid opening scheduled for June 26th. This project has to be award by June 30th. The City is still waiting on approval to authorize advertisement from the NJDOT for the Reconstruction of New York Avenue project. Ms. Stilley said DeBlasio & Associates are finalizing the drawings and specs for the Lead Service Replacement Program, Phase 1, Contract 2. These documents will be submitted to Ibank by Friday. Mayor Troiano thanked DeBlasio & Associates for their efforts and hard work on the \$13 million Sanitary Sewer and Water, Phase 3 project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: During regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners Meeting. Remarks will limit to five (5) minutes per person. The City Clerk will be keeper of time and advise speaker when time has expired. Each member of the public will be permitted to speak only once per meeting. Criticism of public employees will be directed to the Human Resources Department during work hours only.

Ed Dixon, 3507 Asbury Avenue: Mr. Dixon thanked the Mayor and Commissioners for accepting his proposal and dedicating the month of August as Veterans Month in the City of Wildwood. He said, the calendar of events depicts the City's support of its veterans. Mr. Dixon requested a copy of the proclamation so that he can provide it to other municipalities as a show of support. Mr. Dixon's goal is to have the month of August dedicated to the veterans, nationwide.

Robert VonRohr, 307 E. Hildreth Avenue: Mr. VonRohr is concerned about the blinking traffic lights at Cresse and Atlantic Avenues. Commissioner Mikulski said the City has placed a work order for repairs. Mayor Troiano said the current state of the lights, hanging by wires, is illegal. The wires would have to be ran underground. Mr. VonRohr said the police department did a great job on the Boardwalk over Memorial Day weekend. He asked if the City still had a Rowdy House Ordinance on file and if pertained to motels as well. Mayor Troiano confirmed the ordinance was still on the books and in effect and that motels can absolutely be held accountable. Mayor Troiano said the property has to meet a certain number of substantiated calls and then the owner would have to attend a hearing. Mayor Troiano urged Mr. VonRohr to continue to call the police department if this rowdy behavior continued.

Carl Schmoyer, 5201 Ocean Avenue, Unit 5010 : Mr. Schmoyer said the City did a marvelous job over Memorial Day Weekend. He thanked Rich Harron, Sr. for seeing to it that the walkways were placed on the beach. He also said the City did a beautiful job on the Bennett Avenue Street End Improvement project.

Mayor Troiano commended all departments for doing a phenomenal job over Memorial Day Weekend. Mayor Troiano said he was on the Boardwalk with Chief Murphy over the weekend when the Chief received a call from the police Chief in Seaside who indicated they suffered multiple stabbings and fights, etc. Finally on Monday night, Seaside was forced to clear the boardwalk. Mayor Troiano said our boardwalk was missing a few speakers to effectively announce the curfew but police officers were using bullhorns to notify everyone of the curfew. Commissioner McConnell said these departments went into the weekend so well prepared, it was impressive. Commissioner Mikulski said the police department received 1,697 phone calls over the weekend, deployed State and County officials as well as mounted horses on the Boardwalk. The horses allowed the officers to see over the crowds to detect any commotion blocks away.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: This Regular Meeting was recessed at 5:22pm by motion of McConnell, seconded by Mikulski. The City Clerk read the subject(s) to be discussed and Executive Resolution No. 5-5-25 convening this meeting.

- Potential Litigation – Affordable Housing
- Contractual Matter – Hereford Inlet to Cape May Inlet Coastal Storm Risk Management Project

RECONVENED AND ADJOURNED: There being no further business to discuss, this meeting was reconvened and adjourned at 6:41 pm. Remarks as typed highlighted not verbatim as to subject matter.

MOTION: McConnell SECOND: Mikulski
ROLL CALL: McConnell – Yes, Mikulski – Yes, Troiano – Yes

Krista McConnell, COMMISSIONER

Steve Mikulski, COMMISSIONER

Ernest Troiano, Jr., MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
Lisa A. Brown, City Clerk

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: June 11, 2025