

**BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST
GREEN TEAM**

**Meeting Minutes August 26, 2026
Wildwood Crest Borough Hall- 6101 Pacific Ave**

Chairman Mears read the “Sunshine Act”, led the Pledge of Allegiance, safety briefing and announced the emergency exits.

Chairman Mears called the Borough of Wildwood Crest Green Team to order at 2:15 pm.

Chairman Mears, Co-Chair Filerino, Members Medvec and Toenniessen were in attendance. Member Tranter, Pluchino, Croushore and Secretary Tait were not present.

The meeting minutes of July were corrected (the spelling of Member Toenniessen’s last name). The July minutes were approved on motion by Member Mears and seconded by Member Medvec.

Under Old Business, regarding the Seafarer’s Event- Member Filerino read Secretary Tait’s email regarding the giveaway. In addition to the fall basket mentioned, Member Mears offered to donate a Beach BUB-USA wind resistant umbrella valued at \$150. More information on the donation will be sent to Secretary Tait by Member Mears.

Sustainable Jersey Action Items-After reviewing action items, Member Toenniessen found these to be of interests: Tree Planting Programs, Wildlife Interaction Plan and Community Design for All Ages. Member Croushore shared her area of interest in being the Community Health Plan. Member Medvec showed an interest in native plants, community native planting areas and pollinator gardening. Some suggestions made: native plants in bump outs at the beach entrances and along the bike path. Member Filerino and Member Mears had several actions of interest. The team had an active discussion on researching and establishing new actions. The team brainstormed on selecting actions, working in small groups, as well as working along with borough committees, municipal departments, local businesses and other volunteer groups to gain action points.

Under New Business, the team agreed a training session is necessary for The Sustainable Jersey Website to move forward in holding and progressing with our certification goal. Reviewing each section of “Actions for Sustainable Communities” would be helpful to better understand what actions we can and cannot achieve.

Rutgers Review, CCRHVA- Co-Chair Filerino read Member Croushore’s email to GREEN TEAM MEMBERS on August 22, 2026. In it you can read details of her analysis and recommendations. The team requested additional time to review the report.

Shade Tree Conference- Chairman Mears may be attending, she will reach out to Secretary Tait for further information. No other members are attending.

Seafarer's Planning- Date: September 26, 2026, 9am-5pm. Members Croushore, Filerino, Mears, Medvec, Toenniessen and Secretary Tait are available to cover the Green Team table. A shift schedule will be created (two at the table) and emailed to members. Member Medvec requests AM hours; Member Toenniessen PM hours. Other members were flexible. Member Medvec presented a book to the team, Tracking Trash, a study of marine pollution (pictures provided) to display at our table. Member Filerino suggested a "How long does it take to break down in the ocean?" guessing game. The Team discussed set up and brochures to be placed on the table for the event.

The team will meet on Wednesday, September 23, 2026, at 2:15pm at Borough Hall.

Meeting adjourned on motion by member Toenniessen and second by Chairman Mears at 3:12 pm.

