

THE BOROUGH OF WOODMONT
31 Clinton Street
Woodmont, CT 06460
MEETING OF BOARD OF WARDEN AND BURGESS
February 1, 2016

The meeting of the Board of the Borough of Woodmont was held on Monday, February 1, 2016 at the Richard J. Austin Borough Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Warden Bonessi at 8:02 P.M. In attendance were Burgesses: John Barrett, Kelley Graham, Robert Kish, Chuck Rockwell, Christopher Schmeisser and Barbara Wagner.

Also present were: Beautification Committee Chair Pat Del Vecchio, Constable Donna Mallico, Clerk Wm. Guelakis, and Treasurer Robert Listorti.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

The January 4, 2016 minutes were reviewed by the Board. Burgess Wagner made a Motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Burgess Graham, and the Motion passed unanimously.

Freeholders I

Joe Rogers of 12 User Street said that with the recent storm, he witnessed firsthand that Jim Mallico did a great job with three trucks. Snow that Jim plows must be piled at the corners and can we budget for its removal going forward. Warden Bonessi said that he appreciated the suggestion and when it comes to snow removal, keeping the streets clear is the first priority. To budget for a bucket loader and for two trucks to remove the snow built up on corners would cost. Warden Bonessi once again is asking that Borough residents contact the mayor to help influence the city to increase our annual grant.

Report of the Tax Collector

Warden Bonessi reported that he and Tina Della Vella have had several conversations with our Borough attorney, and that we are coming close to getting the liens out. In the next two weeks, 15 days to lien notices will be going out and then liens for taxes not paid for years 2013 and 2014 will be sold. We plan to get to as close to zero delinquencies as possible.

Report of the Warden

Warden Bonessi said that he had completed a closeout letter with FEMA for the last year's blizzard.

Warden Bonessi said that he has been working with the city and Army Corps of Engineers to get the elevations out to DEEP for our COP. I would like to get the COP in enough time so that we can work on our beaches before the horseshoe spawning season begins.

Warden Bonessi said that he is working with the fire marshal so that we can obtain our CO for 128 Kings Highway. Also there were still a few items left on the punch list for THP to fulfill their end of the agreement.

Warden Bonessi said that he has moved his meeting with the city finance department from February 11th to the 22nd of this month.

Report of the Constable

No Report.

Report of the Clerk.

No Report.

Report of the Treasurer

DISBURSEMENTS MEETING FEBRUARY 1, 2016

BOROUGH		LIBRARY	
Lynn Foss	\$412.50	Frontier	\$45.19
James Freda	\$115.44	TOTAL	\$45.19
United Illum Co	\$572.90		
United Illum Co	\$63.71		
United Illum Co	\$140.67		
Citizen Bank	\$2.00		
Land & Sea Security	\$78.00		
Optimum	\$105.56		
TOTAL	\$1,490.78		
CITY			
Mallico Paving Co	\$4,500.00		
Mallico Paving Co	\$4,880.00		
King & King Assoc. CPA's	\$3,080.00		
United Illum. Co	\$2,658.27		
TOTAL	\$15,118.27		

Committee Reports:

Planning & Zoning

Burgess Wagner reported that the 108 Beach Ave zoning appeals board decision on the first application, the zoning enforcement officer withdrew the letter of opposition due to the proof of ownership of parcel B, and the owner agreed to lower the fence. The second application was denied for six signs and only one sign will be allowed and that is moving forward.

Burgess Wagner reported that the 1316 New Haven affordable housing application that was denied has been appealed to the state court, and the attorney is trying to get the case heard in Milford due to a nine to twelve month backup in Harford.

Police & Safety

No Report.

House

Burgess Rockwell said that he had reviewed the financials for 128 Kings Highway at this evenings building committee meeting. The internet connection at Borough Hall has been repaired.

Lighting

No Report.

Beaches

Burgess Kish reported that the annual survey for the beach has been completed and that the results have gone out to the Army Corps of Engineers and the state. We do not sense any trouble with our application for the COP.

Public Works

Warden Bonessi reported that Jim Mallico did a great job.

Finance

No Report.

Library

No Report.

Beautification

Pat Del Vecchio reported that the pine tree at the circle on New Haven Ave has to be replaced, and that some benches need to be repaired. Pat Del Vecchio said that \$600 was needed for plantings and they must be planted at lower levels since plantings on the mounds are not surviving.

Approval of Bills

Bills are in circulation.

Unfinished Business

None.

Old Business

- **New flooring for Borough Hall \$18,000.**

John Hannon made a presentation on the options for types of flooring materials and how to install the flooring to the board. A discussion followed.

Warden Bonessi said that it was his goal to have the next Borough meeting at 128 Kings Highway but he would also like to have the flooring installed before moving from 31 Clinton St. Warden Bonessi said that he would like the Board to decide on the material to be used tonight, and that the building committee would decide on the color of flooring.

Burgess Barrett Motioned to approve the installation of the ceramic flooring, seconded by Burgess Schmeisser, and the Motion passed with one objection.

Burgess Schmeisser said that the Board must consider the overall expenditures for the new Borough Hall and have a plan for big ticket items to complete Borough Hall. Warden Bonessi suggested that this should be a discussion at the next meeting. A discussion followed.

New Business

None.

Outstanding Items

None.

Freeholders II

Hearing None.

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- At 9:06 P.M. Warden Bonessi entertained a Motion to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was made by Burgess Schmeisser, seconded by Burgess Wagner and the Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by William Guelakis
Woodmont Clerk