

THE BOROUGH OF WOODMONT
31 Clinton Street
Woodmont, CT 06460
MEETING OF BOARD OF WARDEN AND BURGESS
July 7, 2014

The meeting of the Board of the Borough of Woodmont was held on Monday, July 7, 2014 at the Richard J. Austin Borough Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Warden Bonessi at 8:04 P.M. In attendance were Burgesses: John Barrett, Michael Krauss, Richard Raucci, Chuck Rockwell Christopher Schmeisser, and Barbara Wagner.

Also present were: Clerk Wm. Guelakis, Constable Raymond Jablonski, Custodian Joe Rogers, Tax Collector Kelley Cummings and Treasurer Robert Listorti.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

The June 16, 2014 minutes were reviewed by the Board. Burgess Krauss made a Motion to approve the minutes seconded by Burgess Wagner, and the Motion passed unanimously.

Freeholders I

Robert Kinstlinger of 5 Anderson Ave was concerned that the street lighting is too dark in the Borough and the beach has not cleaned of debris. Warden Bonessi said that the beach has been cleaned and that homeowners have racked up debris and left their piles on the beach that will be cleaned up. Robert Kinstlinger remarked that the extension of Anderson Ave to the right of way used to be open to the public to Spencer Street until a few years ago when it was blocked, and can a sign be put up? Warden Bonessi said since it is a private road, the home owners need to put the sign up. Robert Kinstlinger said that the right of way has no grass and is just dirt. Warden Bonessi said that the private home owners are using the area for private storage and we will have to pick the items up and hold them before turning them over to the police. Homeowners will have one year to pick them up and that this right of way gets the same treatment as all the others by turf masters.

Jerome Fiorentino of 1 Private Way referred to the beach just mentioned by Robert Kinstlinger and said that only one side of the beach had been cleaned up. Mr. Fiorentino said that he dragged a piece of a crab trap that been in the low water onto shore. E&D hoisted it to the top of the wall and left it there. E&D should come back and finish the job.

Frank Luysterborghs of 57 Hawley Ave said damages created during the beach restoration project at the bottom of Devol St and Beach Ave is a safety issue. It has been two months which is a reasonable period of time to have repaired damages resulting from the work performed. The cracks in the road are two to five inches wide and one inch deep that are a hazard for kids on bikes. Do we have a time line on when things will be done? Warden Bonessi said that he would send an email to the supervisor of repairs at the Army Corps of Engineers and remind MZM construction again of the damages.

Report of the Tax Collector

Burgess Barrett gave a status report for Point and Pay Credit Card Company stating that testing would be conducted this week and QDS will be ready by the end of the week.

Report of the Warden

Warden Bonessi reported that he had meetings with the mayor concerning finishing touches on a memorandum for 128 Kings Highway.

Working with FEMA on final stages of mitigation work for damages from storm Sandy to only have 90 plants allocated to us, and Warden Bonessi said that we will stick to the plan preventing any issues.

We have made a deal with the city, we supply the materials, Jim Mallico will dig a trench line for the new light for the flag pole, and the city electrician will hook it up by Woodmont Day. This should make Tim Phelan happy.

Report of the Constable

June 2014 (2nd Half)

Summary

Woodmont Borough Police patrols were done on Sunday 06/22, and Sunday 06/29/2014. The officer on patrol Sunday 06/22 afternoon reported making multiple checks of the Borough Hall, Anchor Beach, Doolittle Park, the old firehouse and performed speed enforcement on Kings Hwy. reporting no violations. The officer issued (6) six parking tickets, (1) one verbal warning and participated in (1) one police assist in the Borough

The officer on patrol on Sunday evening reported making multiple checks of the Borough Hall, Anchor Beach, the old Fire Station and Mark St. and performed speed enforcement on Kings Hwy. reporting no violations. The officer issued (2) two verbal warnings.

The officer on patrol on Sunday 06/29 afternoon reported issuing (3) three parking tickets, (1) one written warning, and participated in (1) one fire department assist, and (1) one police assist in the Borough.

The officer on patrol on Sunday 06/29 evening reported running radar on Kings Hwy. near Clinton St. making (2) two stops. The officer issued (2) two verbal warnings, (1) one written warning, made (1) one motor vehicle arrest, and participated in (1) one police assist in the Borough.

The following summary for the month of June to date is based on the activity reports submitted by officers:

15 Verbal Warnings	2 Written Warning	0 Oral Reports
47 Parking Tickets	0 First Aid Assist	1 MV Arrests
0 Criminal Arrests	1 Fire Department Assists	0 Infraction
5 Police Assists (In the Borough)	1 Police Assist (Out of the Borough)	

The following summary for 2014 year to date is based on the activity reports submitted by officers:

15 Verbal Warnings	3 Written Warning	0 Oral
Reports		
63 Parking Tickets	0 First Aid Assist	1 MV
Arrests		
0 Criminal Arrests	1 Fire Department Assists	0 Infraction
5 Police Assists (In the Borough)	2 Police Assist (Out of the Borough)	

July 2014 (4th of July Weekend)

Summary

Woodmont Borough Police patrols were done on Friday 07/04, Saturday 07/05, and Sunday 07/06/2014. The officer on patrol Friday 07/04 afternoon reported the Borough patrol car battery was dead and contacted the constable and the officer arranged for the Milford police to get the car started there were no other reported issues.

The officer on patrol on Friday evening reported that the beaches were empty due to the weather and made multiple checks of the Borough Hall, and the old Fire Station. The officer issued (2) two verbal warnings and participated in (1) one police assist in the Borough.

The Sargent on patrol on Saturday 07/05 afternoon reported walking Beach Ave. and Anchor Beach and monitored traffic in area of Beach Ave. and Dunbar Rd. nothing noted. The Sargent issued (1) one verbal warning for traveling fast and the operator of a parked car on Beach Ave. and Bonsilene St. was told to move, the Sargent cautioned dog walkers to pick up after their dogs. The Sargent talked with a renter family at Beach Ave. and Wall St. and a woman from 58 Beach Ave. asked the Sargent to address the issue of people playing ball on the beach, the Sargent reported he did not observe anyone at the time he was there but later saw (3) three children tossing a ball and told them the lady complained so they stopped. The Sargent reported issuing (3) three verbal warnings and participated in (1) one police assist in the Borough.

The officer on patrol on Saturday 07/05 evening reported there were large groups on the beach areas for the West Haven fireworks display and parking violations were handled with locating vehicle owners to avoid traffic issues. The officer issued (4) four verbal warnings, and participated in (1) one police assist in the Borough and (1) one police assist out of the Borough for a large group of juveniles on Old Field Ln. trying to fight another group.

The officer on patrol on Sunday 07/06 afternoon reported running radar enforcement on Kings Hwy. there were no violations, responded to fireworks complaint near Clinton St. and Hawley Ave. checked area and found nothing. The officer reported making multiple checks of the Borough Hall, Anchor Beach, the old fire house, and Doolittle Park. The officer reported issuing (10) ten parking tickets and participated in (1) one police assist in the Borough and (2) two Fire department assists at the town line with a mattress fire.

The officer on patrol on Sunday 07/06 evening reported running radar periodically on Kings Hwy. and Clinton St. noting (2) two violations and made multiple checks of the Borough Hall, beaches, and Fire House. The officer gave (2) two fireworks warnings and (1) one parking violation warning. The officer reported issuing (1) one verbal warning, (1) written warning, and participated in (1) one fire department assist and (1) one police assist in the Borough.

The following summary for the month of July to date is based on the activity reports submitted by officers:

10 Verbal Warnings	1 Written Warning	0 Oral Reports
10 Parking Tickets	0 First Aid Assist	0 MV Arrests
0 Criminal Arrests	3 Fire Department Assists	0 Infraction
5 Police Assists (In the Borough)	1 Police Assist (Out of the Borough)	

The following summary for 2014 year to date is based on the activity reports submitted by officers:

25 Verbal Warnings	4 Written Warning	0 Oral Reports
73 Parking Tickets	0 First Aid Assist	1 MV Arrests
0 Criminal Arrests	4 Fire Department Assists	0 Infraction
10 Police Assists (In the Borough)	3 Police Assist (Out of the Borough)	

Report of the Clerk

Clerk Guelakis reported that the new Borough website is now available while we are still developing it.

Report of the Treasurer

DISBURSEMENTS MEETING JULY 7, 2014

BOROUGH		LIBRARY	
United Illum. Co.	\$107.59	Brodart Co	\$4,296.00
United Illum. Co.	\$97.52	Demco	\$43.42
United Illum. Co.	\$75.38	Evergreen Printing	\$294.33
So Conn Gas Co.	\$38.17	Total	\$4,633.75
So Conn Co.	\$40.51		
Joseph Rogers	\$115.44		
Lynn Foss	\$190.00		
Robert Listorti	\$230.87		
Kelley Cummings	\$744.33		
Bill Guelakis	\$1,054.33		
Post Master	\$80.00		
Ed Bonessi	\$0.90		
Raymond Jablonski	\$44.67		
Total	\$2,819.71		
CITY			
Malico Paving Co.	\$12,470.00		
Malico Paving Co.	\$3,749.20		
Turf Masters LLC	\$1,225.00		
E&D Landscaping	\$2,373.55		
United Illum Co.	\$2,146.28		
Long Hill Tree & Lawn Care Services	\$186.11		
Total	\$22,150.14		

Committee Reports:

Planning & Zoning

No Report

Police & Safety

Burgess Raucci reported that the police have signed up for coverage on Woodmont Day. There has been rate increase for the police: \$52.13/hour for regular hours; \$60.81/hour for Sundays; and 69.50/hour for holidays.

House

Burgess Rockwell reported:

- The sidewalk outside Borough Hall has been repaired
- The insurance inspector was not very impressed with 31 Clinton Street;
- The new pin numbers for the alarm system are now operational;
- Bids for the new Borough Hall are going out tomorrow;
- We are now under consideration for CERT;
- The Building Committee has a page on our new web site.

Lighting

No Report

Beaches

Burgess Krauss reported some has been discussed and that the Anderson Ave issues will be resolved. Some folks are annoyed with the composition of the new beach.

Burgess Rockwell reported that a plastic chain was partially blocking the right of way down at the Villa Rosa. Burgess Barrett is going to check the historical maps for the right of way boundaries.

Public Work

Warden Bonessi said that the umbrella and dragon tree appear to be dying. We will be contracting with an arborist since these trees have been here since the hurricane of 1938.

Finance

Burgess Schmeisser said that we have money to work on relevant projects and wanted to know if we have any additional information concerning the replacement of the water mains. Burgess Barrett said that he would follow up.

Library

Burgess Wagner reported that the proper way to have the bookshelves installed has not been determined. Warden Bonessi will call the mayor concerning this. The library needs a credit card to purchase books through Amazon. Treasure Listorti will work this out with the bank.

Beautification**Beautification Committee****Meeting held on June 26th:**

- Two resident concerns brought up by 2 freeholders:
 - Dead end sign on Rosemary Ct too far down road to be easily seen
 - Replacement of plantings on grass area on Rosemary CT
 - Referred to call City of Milford and Borough.
- Thank you to Ken Sabol for painting 9 rusty railings along beach stairways.
- Thank you note to Bill Slater still needs to be sent.

New Items:

- Submission of bill/receipt for rustoleum paint supplies for railings of \$32.88.
- Application approved by Committee for Memorial Bench plaque to be installed on existing bench at end of Beach Ave open space by request of Brad Bonessi to honor Ed and Peg Bonessi. Waiting to order plaque pending Board approval and check. Need Board decision: Approved.

- One bench needs repair at Village Road and Kings Highway.
- New order made of 6 End of Street signs; 3 with and 3 without arrow.

Approval of Bills

No bills in circulation

Unfinished Business

None

Old Business

Easements in the borough that have not paid taxes for at least 30 years and the owners are unknown by both the borough and the city. Tabled until the next meeting.

New Business

None

Freeholders II

Jerome Fiorentino of 1 Private Way wanted to know if the money from parking tickets issued in the Borough goes to the Borough. Warden Bonessi responded that it all goes to the city.

Outstanding Items

None

- At 8:50 P.M. Warden Bonessi entertained a Motion to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was made by Burgess Barrett, seconded by Burgess Rockwell and the Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by William Guelakis
Woodmont Clerk