

THE BOROUGH OF WOODMONT
Minutes of the Board of Warden & Burgesses
May 1, 2017

On May 1, 2017, Borough of Woodmont elections were held and the following Officials were elected and sworn in by Clerk Guelakis who was sworn in by Attorney Charles Rockwell. These activities were conducted prior to the May 1, 2017 Meeting of the Board of Warden and Burgesses.

Warden – Edward Bonessi

Burgesses:

John Barrett
 Christopher Schmeisser
 Charles Rockwell
 Kelley Graham
 Barbara Wagner
 Robert Kish

Clerk William Guelakis

Treasure Robert Listorti

Constable Donna Mallico

Auditors Linda Casey

Brendan Casey

Tax Collector Lynn Foss (Appointed)

The meeting of the Board of the Borough of Woodmont was held on Monday, May 1, 2017 at Woodmont Borough Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Warden Bonessi at 8:41 P.M. In attendance were Burgesses: John Barrett, Kelley Graham, Robert Kish, Chuck Rockwell, Christopher Schmeisser, and Barbara Wagner.

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

Initiate of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

The April 3, 2017 minutes were reviewed by the Board. Burgess Rockwell made a Motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Burgess Kish, and the Motion passed unanimously.

Freeholders I

Jeffrey Levinson of 173 Kings Highway said that the number of motorists on the lower part of Kings Highway are driving faster and wanted to know if speed bumps could be put in place to slow them down. Warden Bonessi said that the police department will not allow the use of speed bumps but will ask that the Borough patrols to monitor motorists speed.

Report of the Tax Collector

No Report.

Report of the Warden

Warden Bonessi reported that:

- Working with finance department concerning city budget
- Top soil has been spread behind Borough Hall and is ready for hydro seeding
- Plantings for the bump-out, Burgess Wagner to decide on best plants
- Harbor View Electric to wire the barn in about 2 days. Lighting on the side of Borough Hall will not work, 4 stand up lights will be installed
- Teddi Mikus has had eight showings with 4 pending reservations
- \$14.60 for bone white chairs, need to get some for the dedication
- Dedication plaque is in
- The Milford Patch ranked Woodmont with an "A" and the city of Milford with an "A-"

- On April 25, 2017, Burgess Barrett was appointed as Director of Emergency Management for the borough and was sworn in by the Connecticut Director of Emergency Management at the annual Connecticut emergency Management Symposium. It is hoped that this will better involve the Borough directly in emergency management process.

While at the symposium Burgess Barrett discussed the borough's desire to have a POD site and to play a more active role in Emergency response and planning with the State Emergency Management Director.

Other news, Everbridge, the State of Connecticut's CT Alert system will send out emergency notices to home owners that register for it. The state database showed that Woodmont had less than a dozen people had signed up.

Report of the Constable

Submitted by Constable Mallico.

Happy to announce we also will be getting our crosswalks and stop bars painted throughout the borough within the next couple weeks which will finish off any traffic problems for Memorial Day start of summer. April 5th - Picked up the police car from the borough garage & took it to my house and charged battery. Had to purchase new trickle charger old one disappeared from the garage during move.

April 6th - Dropped new key to borough garage at Milford PD met with Captain Brandon Marschner. This is a new assignment for him with the Borough of Woodmont, seems to be very nice and I think we will have a good relationship him.

April 10th - I dropped off the police car at Milford PD garage p/u April 14, they gave it its full check up and it seems everything is in good working condition and the car is in very good shape.

April 11th - Responded to a complaint on Wall Street of construction material being dumped at the end of the street spoke with the neighbors I found no construction debris just neighbors dumping leaves and other yard debris looks like for many years.

April 18th - Received complaints about wrong way drivers along beach Ave and missing signs. (no parking on this street, wrong way, do not enter, one way) last year I did have a minimum of 10 to 12 signs replaced. We do have some people that remove signs that do not like them in front of their house but that is beyond our control, we have so many signs out there but some drivers just refuse to obey them!

April 21st - Received a complaint from Wall Street residents of loitering, drinking, stealing of flower pots at the park. I reported it to the Milford PD on 22nd of April and requested to have extra patrols go around the park until we have Woodmont patrol starting end of May.

April 24th - Received another complaint of pansies missing from the sidewalk Wall & Beach Ave next to a memorial bench. Unfortunately, there is not much that we could do if people start to leave planters along the sidewalks these are public walkways and things will disappear.

April 25th - We were able to receive new & replaced signage put up within the Borough, focusing on corner of Dixon and Beach, Chapel and Beach, Kensington and Beach, also repairs done to loose signs along Beach Ave.

Report of the Clerk.

No Report.

Report of the Treasurer

DISBURSEMENTS May 1, 2017

BOROUGH OPERATING		LIBRARY	
Southern California Trophy	\$1,187.50	Sandra Steady	\$97.13
James Freda	\$25.00	Demco Inc	\$15.13
James Freda	\$115.44	Frontier	\$46.73
Lynn Foss	\$2,242.07	TOTAL	\$158.99
Bor. Of Woodmont Cap Res	\$116,928.34		
Christopher Schmeisser	\$56.04		
Ed Bonessi	\$223.97		
Chuck Rockwell	\$118.02		
Conn Tax Collector Assoc	\$75.00		
United Illum Co	\$259.63		
United Illum Co	\$43.24		
Hearst Media Services Ct	\$177.40		
Susman Duffy & Segaloff PC	\$2,998.90		
Optimum	\$111.75		
Milford Photo	\$1,073.10		
Mar-Len Printing	\$480.00		
Fed Ex Office	\$127.01		
Total Chimney	\$1,800.00		
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TOTAL	\$129,842.41		

CITY		CAPITAL RESERVE	
Mallico Paving Co	\$5,300.00	Hannon Builders	\$10,643.00
Mallico Paving Co	\$4,500.00	GJ Home Improvement	\$2,025.00
Mallico Paving Co	\$10,195.00	TOTAL	\$12,668.00
Mallico Paving Co	\$7,000.00		
Bor of Woodmont Cap Res	\$21,925.00		
TOTAL	\$48,920.00		

Committee Reports:

Planning & Zoning

No Report.

Police & Safety

No Report.

House

Burgess Rockwell reported:

- that the alarm went off and the monitoring service could not identify which sensor for which door or window, nor determine why it went off
- water in the basement accumulated after the heavy rains by the rear staircase and down in the furnace room. Our sub pump is old and needs to be replaced

Burgess Kish reported:

- Work with Total Chimney went well.
- We are obligated for power and room for the relay tower equipment. Measured the power draw for the tower and the United Illuminating Co. estimated that it will cost \$500/year to power it.

Warden Bonessi reported Burgess Kish has done a lot to create a list of requirements to complete the Borough Hall. THP has not given us an acceptable response concerning the HVAC system and we are reaching out to the Borough Attorney.

Lighting

Burgess Kish said that he signed a contract with the city that will be posted on the Borough website. The Borough has under 200 street lights while the city has 2000. We will be completed with the City of Milford as one project by the United Illuminating Company.

Beaches

No Report.

Public Works

Warden Bonessi reported that street cleaning should take place at the end of May.

Finance

No Report.

Library

No Report.

Beautification

Pat Del Vecchio reported:

- Last 21 bricks for Founder's Patio are on order.
- Plaques are in for three Memorial Benches are ready to be refurbished when weather permits
- Spending: Supplies for painting all benches and refurbishing Memorial Benches: \$88 from Lowes.
- E & D Landscaping contacted regarding Warden request End of Road signs be replaced where missing.

- 3 Beach Access signs also need to be replaced and will request E and D do those also.
- Recommendation:
 - No additional adornments of any kind (plants, trees, garlands, ribbons, etc.) be allowed on or near Memorial Benches once initial dedications have been completed.

Approval of Bills

Bills are going around.

Unfinished Business

None.

Old Business

- Approval of Bids for A/C System

Burgess Barrett Motioned to Table Approval of Bids for A/C System, seconded by Burgess Schmeisser and the Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

- Confirm removal of old officers from Milford Bank signature cards

Burgess Barrett Motioned to approve the removal of old officials or not currently elected or appointed officials from the Milford Bank signature cards, seconded by Burgess Rockwell, and the Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Warden to contract with Pullman & Comley for purpose of coordinating property auctions conducted under C.G.S. §§ 12-155 and 12-157at no cost to the Borough

Burgess Barret Motioned to authorize the Warden to contract with Pullman & Comley for purpose of coordinating property auctions conducted under C.G.S. §§ 12-155 and 12-157at no cost to the Borough, seconded burgess Graham, and the Motion passed unanimously.

Freeholders II.

Pat Del Vecchio of 56 Mark Street requested that the Burgess meeting calendar be printed and mailed with the Borough tax bills.

- At 9:32 P.M. Warden Bonessi entertained a Motion to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was made by Burgess Graham, seconded by Burgess Wagner and the Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by William Guelakis
Woodmont Clerk