

THE BOROUGH OF WOODMONT
 31 Clinton Street
 Woodmont, CT 06460
MEETING OF BOARD OF WARDEN AND BURGESS
September 2, 2014

Call to Order by Warden Edward Bonessi at 8:01 P.M.

In attendance were Burgesses: Michael Krauss, Chuck Rockwell, Christopher Schmeisser, and Barbara Wagner.

Absent: Burgesses John Barrett, Richard Raucci, Clerk Bill Guelakis and Tax Collector Kelley Cummings.

Also present were: Pat Del Vecchio as substitute clerk, Constable Raymond Jablonski, Treasurer Robert Listorti and Jim Mallico, Public Works.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Burgess Michael Krauss to approve the August 18, 2014 minutes, seconded by Burgess Chuck Rockwell. Motion passed unanimously.

Freeholders I: None

Report of the Tax Collector: Tax Collector Kelley Cummings absent. No report.

Report of the Warden: Warden Edward Bonessi reported the Annual Meeting was held last week and he followed up on numerous concerns:

- Rosemary Court: area by gorgeous Rosa Ragusa bed would to be cleared by Public Works and reseeded by E and D Landscapers.
- Crescent Beach: Jim Mallico, Public Works, will back fill and push concrete to stop soil erosion.
- DEP/Army Corps of Engineers: Category G Beach designation would be sought for Crescent Beach.
- Inspected damaged roads and catch basins from sand replenishment project. Area from Beach Avenue to Kings Highway needs to be repaired.
- Additions to Web Site needed to clarify Budget.
- Police Patrol: spoke to Police about ticketing and radar issues.

Report of the Constable: Constable Raymond Jablonski reported:

September 2014 (Labor Day)

Summary

Woodmont Borough Police patrol was done on Monday 09/01/2014. The Sargent on patrol on Monday evening reported making a motor vehicle stop for a vehicle traveling too fast, doing 48 MPH in a 25 MPH zone and issued a written warning, the occupants were found in possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, and an infraction was issued. The Sargent reported finding a tree limb in the road at New Haven Ave. and Dunbar Rd; the State DOT was notified and removed it from the road. The officer issued (2) two written warnings, made (1) one criminal arrest and participated in (1) one police assist in the Borough.

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

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

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

47 Verbal Warnings	8 Written Warning	0 Oral Reports
134 Parking Tickets	1 First Aid Assist	2 MV Arrests
2 Criminal Arrests	8 Fire Department Assists	0 Infraction
25 Police Assists (In the Borough)	5 Police Assist (Out of the Borough)	

August 2014 (2nd Half)

Summary

Woodmont Borough Police patrols were done on Saturday 08/23, Sunday 08/24, Saturday 08/30, and Sunday 08/31/2014. The Officer on patrol on Saturday afternoon 08/23 reported making multiple checks of the Beach Ave. resident parking lot, Borough Hall, Doolittle Park, the Fire House, Anchor Beach, the beaches, and checking Beach Ave. and Village Rd. for parking violations as well as other Borough streets. The Officer reported issuing (5) five parking tickets and participating in (1) one police assist in the Borough.

The Officer on patrol on Saturday evening 08/23 reported making multiple checks of the Borough Hall, Playground, the Fire House, and Fannie Beach building. The Officer also checked Hawley Ave, Beach Ave, Village Rd, Mark St, Abigail St, and other Borough streets for parking violations. The Officer reported doing foot patrols of the beach area and Borough streets.

The Sargent on patrol on Sunday afternoon & evening 08/24 reported monitoring parking on Beach Ave and the stop sign at Beach Ave. and Clinton St. and made checks of the Fire House reporting nothing noted. The Sargent reported walking Beach Ave, Clinton St, Devol St, Bonsilene St, and the beaches and making a domestic violence arrest. The Sargent suggested having a flotation device with fifty feet of line attached in the trunk of the Borough patrol car that could be thrown in the water in an emergency rescue situation. The Sargent reported issuing (2) two parking tickets and making (1) one criminal arrest.

The Sargent on patrol on Sunday afternoon 08/30 reported having cars parking on Beach Ave. move and walked the beach along Beach Ave. and talked to beach goers. The Sargent reported parking issues on 19 Village Rd, 196 Merwin Ave, and on Kensington Rd. where the cars were moved, among people fishing on groin an unwanted male was removed from the area by his brother. The Sargent reported issuing (2) two verbal warnings and (4) four parking tickets.

The Officer on patrol on Saturday evening 08/30 reported making multiple checks of the Beach Ave. resident parking lot, Beach Ave. for cars stopping, Borough Hall, Fannie Beach Center, playground, and Mark and Abigail Streets. The Officer made a foot patrol of the beach and dispersed a group and dealt with parking violations on Blackall Rd. and side streets. The Officer reported issuing (1) one verbal warning and (4) four parking tickets.

The Sargent on patrol on Sunday afternoon 08/31 reported monitoring traffic speed with radar on Beach Ave. and Hawley Ave. and monitored stop sign at Clinton St. and Beach Ave. The Sargent reported walking along the beach from Clinton St. to Bonsilene St. and issuing (2) parking tickets on Village Rd. The Sargent reported issuing (1) one verbal warning and (4) four parking tickets.

The Officer on patrol on Sunday evening 08/31 reported making multiple checks of the Beach Ave. resident parking lot, Beach Ave, Borough Hall, Fannie Beach Center, and the

playground. The Officer made a foot patrol of the beach and made a motor vehicle stop on New Haven and Anderson Ave; a stop light infraction was issued. The Officer reported making (1) one motor vehicle arrest.

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

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

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- Warden Bonessi reported he is inquiring how to get more patrol shifts covered.
- Jim Mallico suggested equipping patrol car with floatation device with line attached for emergency rescue capabilities. Warden agreed and one will be purchased.

Report of the Clerk: Clerk William Guelakis absent: no report.

Report of the Treasurer: Treasurer Robert Listorti reported checks were going around for approval and signatures.

DISBURSEMENTS MEETING AUGUST 4, 2014

BOROUGH		LIBRARY	
United Illum. Co.	\$174.60	AT&T	\$24.33
United Illum. Co.	\$112.31	Total	\$24.33
United Illum. Co.	\$111.45		
So. Conn. Gas Co.	\$38.17		
So. Conn. Gas Co.	\$81.01		
Cablevision	\$94.90	BUILDING COMMITTEE	
Land & Sea Security	\$78.00	Bill Guelakis	\$100.00
		Silver Petrucelli &	
Joseph Rogers	\$115.44	Assoc. Inc.	\$675.00
Lynn Foss	\$230.00	Total	\$775.00
John Barrett	\$244.56		
Ed Bonessi	\$59.97		
Total	\$1,340.48		
CITY			
Malico Paving Co.	\$4,800.00		
Malico Paving Co.	\$3,749.20		

Malico Paving Co.	\$580.00
United Illum. Co.	\$2,131.84
Turf Masters LLC	\$865.00
Total	\$12,126.04

Disbursements Meeting August 18, 2014

BOROUGH		LIBRARY	
Cablevision	\$94.90	AT&T	\$75.71
Lynn Foss	\$700.00	EvergreenPrinting	
Citizen's Bank	\$15.40	Supplies	\$294.33
E&D Landscaping LLC	\$594.45	Total	\$370.04
City of Milford	\$30,833.00		
Total	\$32,237.75		
CITY			
EDO Construction Co	\$4,331.50		
Weinstein Weiner Ignal			
Napolitano & Shapiro PC	\$78.00		
Total	\$4,409.50		

DISBURSEMENTS MEETING SEPTEMBER 2, 2014

BOROUGH:

Joseph Rogers	\$115.44
United Illuminating Co	\$113.79
United Illuminating Co	\$111.55
United Illuminating Co	\$175.26
Tim's Auto Center	\$349.64
So. Conn. Gas Co.	\$38.17
Regional Water Authority	\$53.21
Cablevision	\$94.90
Ed Bonessi	\$16.21
Lynn Foss	\$190.00
Total	\$1,258.17

CITY:

United Illuminating Co.	\$2,212.60
Malico Paving Co.	\$3,749.20
Total	\$5,965.80

Committee Reports:

Planning & Zoning: Burgess Barbara Wagner reported that she continued investigating complaint on invasive bamboo and found that law as written by the State of Connecticut is unenforceable.

Police & Safety: Burgess Richard Raucci absent: no report.

House: Burgess Charles Rockwell reported: Building Committee would be sending out revised specifications for re-bidding process.

Lighting: Burgess John Barrett absent: Warden Ed Bonessi reported that he and Burgess John Barrett would be reviewing lighting of all areas throughout the Borough.

Beaches: Burgess Michael Krauss reported:

- He has spoken with the Army Corps of Engineers about sand, changes to beach area and damage to wetlands by Rosemary Court and New Haven Avenue. This was new information for the Army Corps of Engineers, as they had not reviewed this area since 1959.
- He has received numerous complaints about the rocks and replacement sand on the beaches. He has explained their purpose in combatting acts of nature and tides.
- Burgess Schmeisser suggested that defining the sidewalk as high water mark might clarify beachfront property lines and enable sand replacements.

Public Works: Warden Bonessi reported on paving of roads and orange circle marking in road. Jim Mallico, Public Works, explained marking showed where manhole cover was paved over, a common practice when lip previously installed was of wrong height.

Finance: Burgess Christopher Schmeisser reported:

- Final bills were needed on complete Public Works projects so spending on new projects could be planned.
- Recommended extra cushion of funds set aside for new paving in spring.

Library: Burgess Barbara Wagner reported hardwood floors were being worked on.

Beautification Committee: Chair Pat Del Vecchio reported:

- All entrance signs are installed with gardens to be planted this fall including all replacement plants.
- Beige trash pails were not returned by City of Milford. Beach patrons left large amounts of trash over the holiday weekend, as there were fewer pails available to dispose of it properly.
- Need to come up with a system where the City does not take our pails as we keep adding more and they do not return them. Warden Ed Bonessi responded he would contact City of Milford with the issue.
- Requests a meeting for explanation of how Beautification Committee expenditures are reported during the Annual Meeting as totals at meeting do not match committees accounting of receipts. Burgess Kit Schmeisser agreed and responded numbers needed to be corrected with accountant and a monthly review would be available to the committee.

Approval of Bills: Completed.

Unfinished Business: None.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Two issues on Agenda:

- Clear land and cut trees in rear of 128 Kings Highway. Warden Bonessi and Burgess Wagner explained that kids were gathering there in hidden areas and making campfires.

- Leaf scorch on Horse Chestnut tree in Doolittle Park. Efforts need to be made to save tree.
- Warden Ed Bonessi tabled both issues until next meeting when Burgess John Barrett would provide more information.

Freeholders II: None.

Outstanding Items: None.

Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn at 8:32 P.M. by Burgess Wagner, seconded by Burgess Krauss. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Pat Del Vecchio, substituting for Woodmont Clerk William Guelakis.