

THE BOROUGH OF WOODMONT
Approved Minutes of the Board of Warden & Burgesses
December 2, 2019

The meeting of the Board of the Borough of Woodmont was held on Monday, December 2, 2019 at Woodmont Borough Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Warden Bonessi at 8:03 P.M. In attendance were Burgesses: Robert Kish, Chuck Rockwell, Christopher Schmeisser, and Barbara Wagner.

Also, present were: Clerk Wm. Guelakis, Tax Collector Lynn Foss and Treasure Robert Listorti.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

The November 4, 2019 minutes were reviewed by the Board. Burgess Rockwell made a Motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Burgess Wagner, and the Motion passed unanimously.

Freeholders I

Deloris Hannon of 110 Beach Ave reported an update on Airbnb. Deloris said that she has meet with the mayor, Julie Nash, and others that are interested on putting rules in place. The mayor has agreed to put this topic back on the table for Zoning to review this again. Deloris Hannon has also been gathering information on what others are doing. The head of the Laurel Beach Association said they have amended their bylaws limiting the rental of properties to a minimum of 30 days to eliminate short term rentals. West Haven has amended the zoning for restrictions on short term rentals. A discussion followed.

Report of the Tax Collector

Tax Collector Lynn Foss said that she was currently printing late notices for tax year 2018 that will be going out soon. Lien notices for tax year 2017 have been sent out and we will be receiving the grand list from the city in March.

Report of the Warden

Warden Bonessi said:

- Will be meeting with the mayor concerning the 2021 city budget and we will not be asking for an increase. Ever since we started paying our own insurance policy, we still receive an insurance bill for \$30K from the city, this will be discussed with the mayor.
- WARA has started to install our security cameras that will include the entire perimeter of the building. Work is being performed pro bono for the experience.
- Jim Mallico is plowing and salting the roads. Some gravel and sand on the road from the storm at the Bump-out, plowing should take care of it.

Report of the Constable

No Report.

Report of the Clerk.

No Report.

Report of the Treasurer

DECEMBER 2019 DISBURSEMENTS

BOROUGH OPERATING FUND		LIBRARY	
James Mundy (payroll)	\$253.97	Frontier	\$50.91
Lynn Foss (payroll)	\$172.50	TOTAL	\$50.91
Teddi Mickus (payroll)	\$270.00		
City of Milford (police patrol)	\$420.40	CAPITAL RESERVE	
Mike Healy (BH rental reimbursement)	\$200.00	Hannon Builders (Bor Hall)	\$6,000.00
Kelley Cummings (BH rental reimb.)	\$200.00	TOTAL	\$6,000.00
Cardmember Services (credit card)	\$386.39		
United Illum Co (Bor Hall)	\$397.66		
Optimum (Bor Hall)	\$129.71		
Regional Water Auth (Bor Hall)	\$467.13		
Tim' Auto (police vehicle)	\$22.51		
TOTAL	\$2,920.70		

CITY OPERATING FUND	
United Illum Co (street lights)	\$1,609.27
United Illum Co (street lights)	\$45.07
Mallico Paving (public works)	\$5,335.00
TOTAL	\$6,989.34

Committee Reports:

Planning & Zoning

No Report.

Police & Safety

No Report.

House

Burgess Rockwell reported:

- Inspection for the emergency generator is scheduled for Friday, December 13.
- Jay Hannon has completed the water sealing and caulking. Additional problems have been identified with the bay windows upstairs. A discussion followed.
- A discussion was conducted on the use of Restaurant Depot.

Lighting

No Report.

Beaches

Burgess Kish submitted the following update report on the Signal Rock Flag Pole replacement:

The Borough committee has selected a conventional "ground set" installation design.

The committee considered the merits of two alternate designs 1.) counterweighted tilt pole mount design and 2.) hinged shoe base mount design and decided to use the simpler conventional design. Concerns about how to perform pole maintenance in the future was addressed by the steeple jack contractor.

Ground set design requires a large approx. 10 " diameter bore hole in the rock, 48 inches deep.

Description of selected pole and accessories as follows:

- 44' (40' above ground) Zeus 180 mph pole equipped with locking door for internal halyard.
- Pole is made of composite material, not aluminum. Color is white.
- a metallic tube insert is not needed for standard ground set application
- Pole manufacture to provide ground set guide tube, rotating truck, internal cleat, lightning ball (color?) and misc. flag rigging accessories clips, weights; less ropes.
- Pole manufacture recommends we purchase nautical grade ropes locally because they are superior to their ropes for our application)

I was unable to uncover a "down side" to rotating truck (as opposed to stationary truck). I recommend rotating truck because:

- Most commercial grade large poles use rotating truck.
- Manufacture recommends rotating truck and proposes a style especially suitable for nautical applications (features non-metallic housing, sealed SS bearings, and SS mounting screws)
- Rotating truck means less wear and tear on the flag, and flag flies better.
- If truck stops twirling well after many years, then we have a stationary truck!

Next Steps:

- Seeking a final price of pole and accessories from Marvin Display, Old Gate Lane, Milford
- Seeking a price from a contractor who can take down existing pole.
- Seeking a price from a contractor who can make borehole in the rock.
- Seeking a price from a contractor who can install the new pole.

Public Works

Warden Bonessi asked Burgess Kish if he had received a CD with the surveyor's report from the city, Burgess Kish said that he had the one from last month. Warden Bonessi said that he has the survey from last May and will be giving it to Burgess Kish. Warden Bonessi asked Burgess Kish to reach out to the Army Corps of Engineers to verify that they have been receiving the surveys. Burgess Kish said that it is good news that the city has been conducting the surveys on a regular basis but doubts that they are reviewing them, and that is something that should be done by the Borough.

Warden Bonessi said that a complaint was received concerning a pot hole on the north side of Bonsilene St.

Finance

Burgess Schmeisser reported that we are in good shape.

Library

No Report.

Beautification Committee

No Report.

Approval of Bills

Bills are going around.

Old Business

New Business

Freeholders II.

Hearing None.

At 8:28 P.M. Warden Bonessi entertained a Motion to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was made by Burgess Wagner, seconded by Burgess Rockwell and the Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by William Guelakis

Woodmont Clerk