

**THE BOROUGH OF WOODMONT**  
31 Clinton Street  
Woodmont, CT 06460  
**MEETING OF BOARD OF WARDEN AND BURGESS**  
March 2, 2015

The meeting of the Board of the Borough of Woodmont was held on Monday, March 2, 2015 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, Kelley Graham, Chuck Rockwell, Christopher Schmeisser, and Barbara Wagner.

Also present were: Clerk Wm. Guelakis, Custodian Joe Rogers, and Treasurer Robert Listorti.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Minutes**

The January 5, 2015 minutes were reviewed by the Board. Burgess Schmeisser made a Motion to approve the minutes seconded by Burgess Wagner, and the Motion passed unanimously.

**Freeholders I**

Tina Dellavalle of 135 Kings Highway said that she sent a power point presentation to the lieutenant governor's office concerning the J bus route. The lieutenant governor's office sent a letter stating that the bus route has been changed or redirected from traveling on Kings Highway between Chapel Street and New Haven Ave to New Haven Ave effective March 9th. Warden Bonessi asked Burgess Graham to make an inquiry to the state on the official route. Warden Bonessi was concerned that the bus is being taken away from Woodmont.

Tina Dellavalle said that she emailed the Warden concerning the open burgess positions. Warden Bonessi responded that he appointed the new burgesses six weeks ago and explained the situation and process. Tina Dellavalle said that she still wanted to know the process and Warden Bonessi requested that Tina Dellavalle refer to the Borough charter.

Bill Stark of 17 Chaucer CT said that he had spoken to representative Ferraro about the pedestrian crossing signal at Anderson and New Haven Ave that had been hit and removed for some time. Representative Ferraro said that he would take care of it. Warden Bonessi thanked Bill Stark for staying on top of it.

**Report of the Tax Collector**

No Report.

**Report of the Warden**

Warden Bonessi reported:

- Attended city finance meeting about a week ago and we are not going to get an increase over the \$220K that we are currently receiving.
- Snow removal is currently \$30,800 over the 200 hours budgeted into the contract. We are currently removing snow and hauling it away behind 31 Clinton St and 128 Kings Highway.

- We are working with Dana Conover of the Connecticut of the Department Emergency Management to get FEMA funding to set a 48 hour period that we did snow hauling for \$15k for a 75% reimbursement. He has helped us out in the past especially fighting FEMA.
- Working with Jim Mallico on what will be required for street paving and for a one foot layer of sand 50ft above the mean high water mark.

### Report of the Constable

No Report

### Report of the Clerk

Warden Bonessi requested that Clerk Guelakis identify five pole workers for the upcoming election in May.

### Report of the Treasurer

#### DISBURSEMENTS FEBRUARY 2015

##### BOROUGH

King and King Assoc. CPA's	\$8,000.00
Cablevision	\$94.90
United Illum. Co.	\$151.75
United Illum. Co.	\$96.18
United Illum. Co.	\$240.14
Joseph Rogers	\$115.43
Land & Sea Security	\$78.00
Robert Listorti	\$36.26
Citizen's Bank	\$27.99
Lynn Foss	\$360.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,200.65</b>

##### CITY

Mallico Paving Co	\$3,749.20
United Illum. Co.	\$2,771.09
Wescott & Mapes Inc.	\$4,010.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,530.29</b>

#### DISBURSEMENTS FROM MEETING MARCH 2, 2015

##### BOROUGH

Joseph Rogers	\$115.44
So Conn Gas Co	\$468.30
So Conn Gas Co	\$192.66
Reg Water Authority	\$64.41
Reg Water Authority	\$160.11
Cablevision	\$189.80
Lynn Foss	\$101.25
Bill Guelakis	\$829.47
Borough of Woodmont	\$1,896.40
Milford Monument	\$450.00

##### LIBRARY

Frontier	\$43.69
Alliance Hardwood Floors LLC	\$3,000.00
Alliance Hardwood Floors LLC	\$100.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,143.69</b>

<b>Total</b>	\$4,467.84		
CITY		BUILDING COMMITTEE	
Mallico Paving Co	\$3,749.20	Bill Guelakis	\$100.00
United Illum Co	\$2,864.88	Silver Petrucelli & Associates Inc.	\$1,830.00
<b>Total</b>	\$6,614.08	<b>Total</b>	\$1,930.00

**Committee Reports:****Planning & Zoning**

Burgess Wagner reported that tomorrow there is an executive meeting concerning the affordable housing at city hall. Warden Bonessi said he would call Mayor Blake and the planning and zoning department concerning the 1556 New Haven Ave property and that others should do as well. This concerns Bella Properties vs the Milford Planning and Zoning Department. Warden Bonessi asked that Clerk Guelakis distribute a special message concerning this.

**Police & Safety**

Warden Bonessi to get Burgess Graham keys for the patrol car.

**House**

Burgess Rockwell reported that: the building committee met this evening. We still do not have a general building permit and Richard of THP and Bill Silver of Silver Petrucelli are working on it.

The ground breaking and open house with lieutenant governor Nancy Wyman was a success.

**Lighting**

No report

**Beaches**

Warden Bonessi said that Burgess Luysterborghs and Burgess Barrett attended the flood and erosion control meeting held at city hall.

**Public Works**

Warden Bonessi asked in addition to what has already been discussed was that we need to start pot hole repairs.

**Finance**

Burgess Schmeisser said that he was still waiting on the snow removal numbers before he could determine available funds for projects.

**Library**

Burgess Wagner said that the floor sanding at the library had been completed that required some rotted floor boards to be replaced. Looking to phone service expenses, found to be least expensive is a Centrex business line for \$25/ month with the next least expensive for \$40/ month. Saved additional \$6/month by removing the Woodmont Library listing under the City of Milford.

**Beautification**

Beautification Committee chair Pat Del Vecchio submitted the following report:

- Tops of cans missing, benches to be painted/repared, and further assessment of repairs needed once snow melts.
- Request to Warden/Burgesses to allow replanting of gardens to be a priority during Mayas they need the rainy season to fully develop and didn't get done until July last year.
- Suggest the removal of most trashcans during next winter season as residents are using them for household trash rather than beach trash.
- Need help in getting trashcans back from City of Milford.

**Approval of Bills**  
**Bills are in circulation.**

**Unfinished Business**  
None

**Old Business**  
None

**New Business**

- **To Confirm Two New Burgesses**

Burgess Schmeisser said that we need a quorum of existing burgesses and that we needed Burgess Barrett to be present. In the interim, Warden Bonessi can appoint until Board approves. Tabled.

- **Discussion on Affordable Housing**

Warden Bonessi said we have already done this and that everyone in the room should call the mayor, and planning and zoning to be opposed to the 1556 New Haven Ave affordable housing appeal.

- **Allocation of Library Funds for Renovations**

Allocation of library funds already distributed due to bad weather and that the renovations had been already discussed.

**Freeholders II**

Bill Stark of 17 Chaucer CT said that he attended a public hearing last month and that a bill is now being considered concerning the affordable housing act that has bi-partisan support. The bill should be passed by the end of the spring session in early June.

Pond Point's current appeal is to be heard in early May, hopefully we can put off an appeal for 1556 New Haven Ave and that the changes to the affordable housing act will come through before. Pond Point has had to appeal with a privately funded attorney.

**Outstanding Items**  
None

- At 8:41 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.
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Minutes taken by William Guelakis  
Woodmont Clerk