

THE BOROUGH OF WOODMONT
 128 Kings Highway
 Woodmont, CT 06460
MEETING OF BOARD OF WARDEN AND BURGESS
June 15, 2020

Per order of the Governor, entry is allowed only by wearing masks and limited to 10 persons.

Call to Order by Warden Ed Bonessi at 8:00 P.M.

In attendance were Burgesses John Barrett, Kelly Graham, Bob Kish, Chuck Rockwell, and Barbara Wagner.

Also present: Treasurer Robert Listorti, Custodian Jim Mundy and Pat Del Vecchio as Substitute Clerk/Beautification Chair.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: The March 2, 2020 minutes were reviewed and motion was made to approve by Burgess Rockwell, seconded by Burgess Wagner to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Freeholders I: None.

Report of the Tax Collector: No Report.

Report of the Warden

Warden Bonessi expressed concern and prayers for Clerk William Guelakis recent illness and submitted the following report:

The last few months but especially when we have nice weather Woodmonters have felt under siege from “out of towners” and “out of staters”, seemingly without any relief in the form of enforcement of the Mayor’s executive orders by the police.

- I want everyone to know that Constable Donna Mallico has been doing a great job, both in enforcement as well as working on getting the signs placed.
- I also communicated with the Mayor’s office as well as Milford Police Captain Alexopolis this evening who assured me that the traffic department would rectify the postings around areas of Woodmont that were missed or incorrect tomorrow.

All Woodmont residents need to be vigilant and help us help them by calling the Milford Police Non-Emergency number, 203-878-6551, whenever they see something happening. If they want to let me or Donna know that is fine but they must first notify the police. Any clear photos or videos will help law enforcement identify the violators but do not try to take the law into your own hands.

In other business,

- The Board of Alderman approved our City Budget Request in full for \$233,000. Bob Listorti will send the letter of request for the grant check.
- Street Paving Update: Beach Ave, Village Road, Bonsilene St, Anderson Ave. Next on list when funds allow: Mont St., last block of Village Rd., Abigail St., and Mark St.
- More Rosa Rugosa will be added along the beach line.

- Drone surveys will now be done twice a year on the Category G beach area. A thank you to Senior Burgess John Barrett for the idea as this will help document the 6 month elevation surveys needed to be done by the City which have previously been missed and confirm our maintenance of the 50 foot berms per the Engineering agreement.
- In addition, we are now using drone photos to help the health inspector in reviewing the complaints of Blighted Houses. Milford Health Inspector has added 8 Usher Street to the list along with 12 Anderson Ave and is reviewing several others in the Borough. Again, thank you to John Barrett for suggestion of using drones.
- Woodmont utility pole flags campaign started again today. 10 were installed today using the new system of a fixed stainless steel bracket and solid one-piece pole. Thank you to Michael Wrigglesworth for his time and truck for working on this project with me. The plan is to have them all installed by July 4th.
- Complaints received from Freeholders:
 - Middle schools bike brigade aka the Crescent Beach Bump-out (and other area) kids creating issues in the Borough. Constable Mallico has done a great job working on this enforcement.
 - Clinton Street drainage issue. Thank you to Chris Listorti for pointing out the issue.
 - Several freeholders are asking when the city will create AirBNB guidelines.
 - Food pantry box issue has been resolved. Additional Woodmont area organizations available for food assistance are listed below:
 - East Shore Middle School daily breakfast and lunch to all households with students up to age 18.
 - St. Agnes & St. Mary's Church: <https://www.preciousbloodparishmilford.org/john-rigely-shelter-program>
 - Milford Senior Center <http://milfordctseniorcenter.com/mfb/>
 - Woodmont Fire Company Monthly Food Drive and Drive-Thru @ Borough Hall
 - Devon Rotary: Feeding Milford: 684 meals delivered
 - Troop One Scouts: Good Turn Program distributed \$4,600 in \$25 food cards from ShopRite & Big Y.
 - Berean Assembly of God: <https://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/foodbank.cgi?foodbank=4853>
 - Beth El Shelter: <https://www.bethelmilford.org/>
 - Mary Taylor Memorial Methodist Church: <https://www.umc.org/en/find-a-church/church/?id=12638>
 - St. Peter's Episcopal Church: <https://www.stpetersmilford.org/mission/local-mission>
 - Cornerstone Church Storehouse Food Pantry: Every Thursday and Saturday by appointment only call 203-877-1007
 - Kingdom Life-Joseph's Storehouse Food Pantry. Call 203-878-7729 x33 to register for curbside pickup only.
 - First United Church of Christ-Food Pantry: Open one Tuesday a month. Call 203-877-4277 by appointment only
 - Food Pantries.org <https://www.foodpantries.org>

- City of Milford Human Services Dept. <https://www.ci.milford.ct.us/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-information/pages/information-for-families>
- State of CT 2-1-1 Helpline
- Milford Food 2 Kids: <https://www.milfordfood2kids.org/>
- Gateway Christian Fellowship Food Pantry: <https://www.yourgateway.com/food-pantry>
- Faith Baptist Food Pantry: https://www.foodpantries.org/li/faith_baptist_church_food_pantry_west_haven_06516

Report of the Constable: No Report.

Report of the Clerk: No Report.

Report of the Treasurer:

Treasurer Listorti reported checks were going around for approval and signatures. He also agreed he will send the letter of request for the grant check.

DISBURSEMENTS APRIL 6, 2020

BOROUGH OPERATING FUND		LIBRARY	
James Mundy (payroll)	\$133.91	Frontier	\$60.03
Lynn Foss (payroll)	\$257.50	TOTAL	\$60.03
Donna Mallico (payroll)	\$46.18		
Robert Listorti (payroll)	\$230.88		
William Guelakis (payroll)	\$1,054.33		
Teddi Mickus (payroll)	\$90.00		
Marvin Display (Flags)	\$3,287.05		
Ed Bonessi (reimbursement)	\$63.06		
Valley Restoration (Sig Rock)	\$3,000.00		
United Illum Co (Bor Hall)	\$460.78		
So Conn Gas (Bor Hall)	\$464.04		
Optimum (Bor Hall)	\$142.57		
Flagman of America King King & Assoc (auditors)	\$2,800.00		
Kathy Stanley (B Hall reimb)	\$450.00		
Donald Burns (B Hall sec dep)	\$200.00		
Amy Fitzpatrick(Bhall sec dep)	\$200.00		
TOTAL	\$12,989.30		

CITY OPERATING FUND

E&D Landscaping (pub works)	\$8,314.00
United Illum (street lights)	\$49.30

United Illum (street lights)	\$1,694.61
Sherwood Sportsturf (pub w.)	\$225.00
Mallico Paving (pub works)	\$5,250.00
TOTAL	\$15,532.91

DISBURSEMENTS MAY 2020

BOROUGH OPERATING FUND		LIBRARY	
James Mundy (payroll)	\$112.50	Frontier	\$60.17
United Illum Co (Bor Hall)	\$361.27	TOTAL	\$60.17
ARE Restoration (Bor Hall leader replace)	\$2,928.00		
Cardmember Service (Bor credit card)	\$49.99		
Conn Basement Systems (Bor Hall)	\$5,997.00		
Marvin Display (flagpole hardware)	\$59.80		
Optimum (Bor Hall)	\$142.47		
So Conn Gas Co (Bor Hall)	\$3,328.90		
TOTAL	\$12,979.93		

CITY OPERATING FUND	
United Illum Co m Co (street lights)	\$1,639.26
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Apple Valley Irrigation on (pub works)	\$196.09
E&D Landscaping (pub works)	\$1,110.00
Mallico Paving Co (pub works)	\$5,250.00
Mallico Construction (pub works)	\$11,195.00
Mallico Paving Co (bond reimbursement)\$5250.00	\$5,250.00
TOTAL	\$24,676.05

JUNE 2020 DISBURSEMENTS

BOROUGH OPERATING FUND		LIBRARY	
James Mundy (payroll)	\$221.64	Frontier	\$50.25
Lynn Foss (payroll)	\$450.00	TOTAL	\$50.25
Christine Kehoe (security dep. Return)	\$200.00		
Progressive Casualty Insur. Co (Bor insur)	\$2,177.00	ESCROW ACCOUNT	
City of Milford (police patrol)	\$490.48	Mallico Paving (bond return)	\$5,250.00
City of Milford (police patrol)	\$1,191.14	TOTAL	\$5,250.00
Optimum (Bor Hall)	\$142.47		
Cardmember Services(Bor Hall)	\$317.00	CAPITAL RESERVE BOR ACCOUNT	
Regional Water Authority(Bor Hall)	\$66.17	Conn Basement Sys.(B. Hall)	\$15,265.29
So Conn Gas (Bor Hall)	\$232.32	TOTAL	\$15,265.29
Susan Ardelino (rental return)	\$250.00		
United Illum Co (Bor Hall)	\$335.07		
TOTAL	\$6,073.29		

CITY OPERATING FUND		
	Concrete Cutting (s. walk haz)	
Precision		\$7,787.59
Marvin Display (flags/hardware)		\$580.00
GROWERS (weed control)		\$79.76
City of Milford (street paving)		\$58,000.00
Mallico Paving (public works)		\$5,250.00
Mallico Construction (public works)		\$3,775.00
GROWERS (weed control)		\$580.00
United Illum (street lights)		\$1,591.81
United Illum (street lights)		\$18.30
Marvin Display (flags/hardware)		\$1,275.78
Sherwood Sportsturf (Bor Hall)		\$1,165.00
TOTAL		\$80,103.24

Committee Reports:

Planning & Zoning:

Burgess Wagner referred to the Warden's report on blighted properties. AirBNB concerns were discussed and the Warden requested that Burgesses Schmeisser and Wagner contact Mayor's office and City staff to develop regulations to address issues.

Police & Safety:

Burgess Graham reported Mayor's recent New Executive Order on the Use of Beaches requires signs at Doolittle Park and adjoining parking areas to be restricted to Milford Residents Only. She will verify signage is placed and contact Police Department if any are missing. The placement of Porta-Potties at the Park was discussed with a possible solution of screening the area with larger arborvitaes.

House:

Burgess Rockwell reported replacement downspouts were in and commended Rick Raucci and CT Basement Systems for a great job completing the waterproofing of the basement.

Lighting: No Report.

Beaches:

Burgess Kish stated there have been numerous complaints about usage of the beach.

Public Works:

Warden Bonessi reported he would request Jay Hannon to resume traversing of beach areas to smooth out beaches.

Finance: No Report.

Library:

Burgess Wagner expressed condolences to Carmen Corvino on the unexpected death of her son in March. She also stated the Library is awaiting notification of when it may re-open. The

Warden will contact City services to insure the inclusion of the former Fanny Beach School in same cleaning and preparation as would be done to the Milford Library.

Discussion also included use of City Police cars instead of the Borough's, sanitizing procedures, radar, bike patrol, costs and knowing which officer is on our payroll.

Beautification Committee:

Chair Pat Del Vecchio reported a full report would be given at the July 6th meeting.

Approval of Bills: Completed.

Old Business: Discussion continued from last meeting on the purchase of overhead garage door openers for the barn. Warden will reach out to original installer of the doors for costs to put in chain fall on large door and electric opener on smaller one.

New Business: None.

Freeholders II: None.

Adjournment:

Motion made to adjourn at 8:45 P.M. by Burgess Rockwell, seconded by Burgess Wagner.
Motion carried unanimously.

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