

**MINUTES  
MONTHLY MEETING  
SIXTH TAXING DISTRICT, City of Norwalk  
October 14, 2009**

**Rowayton Community Center  
8:00 p.m.**

The October 2009 meeting of the Commissioners of the Sixth Taxing District, City of Norwalk was called to order at 8:20 p.m. by Commissioner Chair Ed Kweskin. Mr. Kweskin thanked those honoring him prior to the meeting with a Thank You presentation, as this is his last meeting as Commissioner.

A motion to approve the minutes of the September meeting as submitted was made by Tammy Langalis and seconded by Mike Barbis. Hearing no objections or discussion, the motion was approved and the minutes of the September meeting were approved as submitted.

With the comment that the Treasurer's term is also expiring this year, Mr. Kweskin called for the Treasurer's Report noting that Andy Conroy has done a great job as Treasurer. Mr. Kweskin commented that the Sixth District was lucky to have Mr. Conroy as Treasurer and noted that the position required lots of time and effort.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mr. Conroy reported that he and his staff have been busy all of this week with the audits that are being done. He submitted no official written report because of the time needed for the audits. However, he gave a verbal report noting when we typically receive tax revenues. He noted that the next receipt will be sometime in March. Financially, the District looks fine now. He assured the Commission that any changes will get noticed. Mr. Conroy introduced Nancy Heubeck who has recently been hired as Assistant Treasurer. He noted that she is very capable and is working very hard on a part time basis, one day a week, since our resources are limited. Ms. Heubeck was hired on the strong recommendation of the auditors during past audits that we have someone else who is capable of stepping in if the Treasurer is unavailable.

**REPORT ON PRESENTATION BY AUDITORS**

Commissioners Langalis and Barbis met with the auditors prior to the meeting. Mr. Barbis reported that the auditors basically went through our systems and identified two

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areas where they thought we needed attention. The hiring of Nancy really covered their concerns, so we were ahead of them in a sense. They did give us a schedule of some more regular set of visits than we have typically done. They are talking about coming back for a post-audit meeting in December, which the Commissioners agreed to.

### PRESENTATION BY THE ROWAYTON PTA

Shannon Tolar, co-president of the Rowayton School PTA, read a letter of thanks to the Sixth District from the PTA for the use of the grounds for the Hurricane party. She announced that the PTA had made more than \$50,000 at this fundraiser. They had approximately 250 guests and felt that the location was critical to their success. Ms. Tolar said that the PTA would like to request permission to use the Community Center grounds for another Hurricane party in 2010. They would like to hold this party on either October 2 or October 16, with October 2 being their first choice. **The Commissioners approved the use of the Community Center grounds by the Rowayton School PTA on October 2, 2010, noting that the party will end at midnight on that evening. Mike Barbis noted that there would be a requirement for more than one port-a-potty next year and that the Commissioners would recommend one port-a-potty per 75 guests.**

### COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Mike Barbis reported that there is now a clarified agreement between the Sixth Taxing District and 140 Rowayton Avenue Associates. It calls for the Commissioners to review and approve the building plans which were filed in 2004, if requested. We want to officially approve this in a written statement. This refers to Section 10, p. 17 of the original agreement. The Clerk was directed to draft a letter to 140 Rowayton Avenue Associates stating the approval of the Commissioners to the language of the original agreement. **(The Commissioners did agree with this).** .

Mr. Barbis said that we did have a structural engineer, James Grant, who looked at a crack in the plaster at the Pinkney House. Mr. Barbis is happy to report that there is nothing structurally wrong there.

The long term planning committee for the Community Center has met and reviewed the plans for some work. They have decided not to proceed at this time with the work for which the funds have already been budgeted. The planning committee will not be needing that money right now. Mr. Barbis went on to say that we have put money aside some time ago for tree work and a lot of work was done awhile ago. Our main problems now are the Norway maples which are doing a lot of damage and the Bradford pears, parts of which are falling in every storm. Mr. Barbis would like to see the money that has already been allocated for this to be spent to take care of the trees that are the problem.

Mr. Barbis also said that there has been a long running battle about what part of the

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maintenance costs the District is responsible for, under the agreement, concerning the easements in the Ambler parking lot. The percentage of responsibility was never defined in the original agreement. We have now agreed that the percentage is going to be 20.25% which was voted on at the last Commissioners' meeting. There should no longer be any debate going forward on that number. He has three bills from 140 Rowayton Avenue Associates that have been corrected to reflect this percentage, which he is submitting for payment. Mr. Conroy noted that these costs should be ascertained to be general maintenance for the area and not such things as flower planting, etc. We are only talking about roadway easements and not anything to do with sidewalks. Our sprinkler system comes off their sprinkler system and there are costs relating to the activating and winterizing that. We think there should be a written maintenance agreement. The agreement is pretty straight forward. This will be on the Agenda for the November meeting.

Tammy Langalis reported that the RR guards have requested that we install a window in the guard shack on the westbound side for better visibility when the cars enter the lot. Ms. Langalis will be meeting with SWRPA to do an official count of the parking spaces at the station. She suspects that the DOT may be getting ready to create a few more parking spaces at the station.

Mr. Kweskin said that he would like to start off by commending Dave McCarthy and John Igneri for their outstanding presentations last night at the information session sponsored by the RCA. Their responses were thoughtful. He is confident that the community could not go wrong by voting for either one of them. Both are very qualified. They are two outstanding candidates. The new trio of Commissioners going forward will serve with great distinction, Mr. Kweskin feels.

Mr. Kweskin thanked Andrea, Jack, Ed and Joe. He said that we have been blessed with people who have worked for the Commission who have made it so much easier to work administratively. They don't get a lot of thanks publicly, they put in long hours and their work is generally behind the scenes. Their work enables the Commission to work more smoothly.

A letter has been received from Frank Zullo stating that he is resigning as counsel to the District. Mr. Kweskin read the letter noting that Mr. Zullo has been a great attorney and friend of the District. He has provided tremendous help to all on the Commission and to Mr. Kweskin personally in dealing with some of the issues that have come before the Commission. The District Clerk was instructed to send a letter to Mr. Zullo with the thanks of the Commission for his service. Mr. Conroy asked, since this doesn't constitute thirty days' notice, could he be asked to extend his tenure through November 15. Mr. Kweskin said that he would ask him. Mr. Kweskin also said that, to reiterate what he said at the get together before the meeting, it has been an honor to serve as Commissioner for the last seventeen years. He appreciates so much the support he has gotten. He said

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that he has always tried to do what he thought was right. As a result, things in the District are in pretty good shape and will be in better shape with the introduction of a new Commissioner, whether it is Dave McCarthy or John Igneri. He thanked everyone.

### Communications and Report of the District Clerk - October 14, 2009

1. The city has two bike racks (from Federal funds) that they would like to install in Rowayton. Don Wilson already contacted Susan Sweitzer and said he would like one at Bayley Beach. Susan says that they are smaller than the one there now. Would that be a problem? Or could they just install another one? Also, the consensus of everyone seems to be to install one at Pinkney. The RHS would not like it too close to the house. Would the installation between the museum and the barn be OK? **(It was decided that the new bike rack at Bayley be in addition to those already there. It was also decided that Ed Carlson would be in touch with Ms. Sweitzer and would arrange to be present when the bike racks are installed. He will seek input from Jack and Wendell Livingston, as well, regarding placement of the rack in Pinkney Park).**
2. I've had a request from someone to hold dog obedience classes in the Underground. They would be for 6 weeks on one weeknight each week. I have asked the owner of the business (Karen Cosco) to take a look at the space to see if it would be large enough for her plans. **(It is).** I have told her our cost to rent the space and she would be providing a liability certificate for us. **(The owner of the business was present and answered some questions. The Commissioners agreed to allow this class on a trial basis for 6 weeks. Ms. Cosco would like to rent the Underground for 2 hours at \$25/hr. on a day to be mutually agreed upon).**
3. A resident is proposing to hold free "Home Sellers' Workshops" in the Community Center on a Saturday (or Sunday) twice a month for 15 - 20 people. He has written a book called "Home Sellers' Toolbox" and his workshops would advise people on maximizing their home's desirability to a buyer and/or what to look for in a home from a buyer's perspective. Would the \$50/hr rental fee apply in this case? Would he need Liability Insurance? **(The answer to the last two questions is "Yes". The Commissioners agreed to allow such a class on a Saturday only - no Sunday - at \$50/hr. and at a mutually agreed upon date).**
4. The Library would like to use copies of the image of the painting which hangs in the Board Room as a new design for library cards. Is there any problem with this? **(There is no problem, and permission was given).**
5. The Commissioners agreed to allow the Rowayton PTA to have an auction item that would allow the purchaser to hold a party in the Community Center rent free. The purchaser has requested the date of November 8 for that party. That is a Sunday. Would

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the Commissioners allow a booking on that date? I would open the community Center for them so that Ed would still have his day off. Would the host be required to furnish a Certificate of Liability Insurance? Would they be required to pay a clean up fee? **(The Commissioners agreed to allow the party on November 8. There would be no insurance requirement and the clean up fee would be paid by the District).**

6. I still have six RR permits available for sale. I recently had a request for a rebate of a returned permit from someone who is not longer a resident here.

7. I have had a request from a resident to use the Community Center for an investment seminar. The seminar would be free but is obviously a sales tool. If you would give your approval, could I rent the Moose Room to him for the \$50 hourly rate? Would this event require insurance? **(The request was OK'd at \$50/hr. An insurance certificate would be required).**

**REPORT OF THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR - Jack Robson**

**Ambler Parking Lot**

There are two maple trees growing just inside the Wilson Avenue entrance. The one that is closest to the road is dying and has lost a number of limbs already. If this is not taken care of we could have a bigger problem of limbs falling on cars parked directly under this tree. The second maple can be saved for a few years. It needs to be trimmed back and all dead wood removed. Tree #1 should have the stump ground down. We are trying to convince Andy Glazer that he should share ½ of the cost since it affects his side of the property as well. (Conceptually, Andy Glazer has agreed. Mrs. Langalis asked if we could have Jose cut this tree down. Ed Carlson said that Jose can probably get the small ones down).

Estimates:

Removal of one maple tree	\$1,600.00
Grind stump of same maple tree	\$ 275.00
Total cost:	\$2,150.00
<b>50% split with Andy Glaser:</b>	<b>\$1,075.00</b>

There are two smaller trees on the Wetlands side that are dead and should come down as well.

Estimate: **\$ 250.00**

East Coast Irrigation has shut down their service for Ambler as well as 140 Rowayton Avenue. The meter reading at the time of shut down was 0217630. Our system was programmed to run ever 3<sup>rd</sup> day, to reduce the cost to the district. Invoices, for our part of the service, from 140 Rowayton Avenue should be presented to the district, within a month of being billed for this service.

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#### **Wetlands side of Ambler Parking Lot**

There are vines growing in the area behind the stone wall running from just inside Wilson Avenue down to the end of our property that joins 140 Rowayton Avenue. The plants/vines/bamboo are very invasive and should be removed. DEP in Hartford has sent me directions on how to eliminate them. Ed Carlson was going to assist with this job, but feels it will be far better for us to hire an outside contractor to cut down and remove all stock and weeds, based on Ed's fall work load. (Jack stated that putting a substance in the root hole after the plants have been removed should eradicate the plants. Ed Carlson doesn't have the time necessary to do it. The invasives encroach on everything around it. Andy asked if Jake Raymond could help. Ed Carlson thought that was a good idea and he will approach him). Once this is done the directions from DEP would apply. Leave the shoots in the ground through the winter for the treatment to work effectively. Then remove all the roots from the ground in the early spring, eliminating the return of these problems. Planting wild flowers or any other plant that is natural to the area is recommended once this process has been completed. Right now the removal is necessary, and we should not just cut the plant material down and leave it to decay!

#### **Ambler Parking Lot Bollard Lights**

The parking lot lights were malfunctioning and staying on into the morning hours. One light was out. Ed Carlson has looked at the situation and fixed the problem for now. The sensor may need replacing at a later date. (The bollard lights are operating on a photoelectric switch. They were staying on all night and Mr. Robson would like to get the timer replaced. We do not know the cost of the timer. The electrician couldn't understand why it's both photoelectric and a timer. Ed Carlson will get the cost of a timer).

#### **RR Parking Lot Port-a-jons**

A request was made at the last meeting to install Port-a-jons at the RR parking lots. They can be installed within a weeks notice. The company is County Portables in Norwalk. The units would be serviced every Monday. Hand sanitizers are mandatory now and these would be serviced every Monday as well. (This refers to the Westbound side. There used to be port-a-potties on each side, but the neighbors complained and requested that they be moved. A commuter asked for this. Tammy said to wait and see if this one works out all right. We'll wait until next month or so to decide).

The cost per unit is **\$75.00 per month**

#### **Community Center Fire Escape Repair**

The fire escape has been inspected and is safe and secure. We are presently painting the fire escape. It is expected to be finished by the end of this week. The sill under the fire

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escape door was decaying and has been replaced with oak. This is yet to be sealed and painted. I would like to paint the metal railings coming up the stairs from the lower parking lot in black, as well, instead of the green color that is presently there now.

**Approved cost: \$1,550.00**

**Community Center Survey**

Arcamone Land Surveyors have completed executing the survey as requested. Four copies have been delivered to me. I turned one over to Rob Frasier who is Chairman of the Planning Committee for the district properties.

**Approved cost: \$5,495.00**

**Community Center Tree Plan**

Last February 11, 2009 a list was presented at our Monthly/Budget meeting for the removal of some trees on the property and the planting of others. I am just bringing this up again to refresh everyone's memory as to what was presented and the costs related to this work, should we wish to pursue this project for next year. A master plan was drawn up by Round Meadow Landscapes. Costs were applied to this plan.

**Trees to be removed:**

- 1 Norway maple
- (1 Bradford Pear)
- 1 Dogwood
- 1 Crabapple
- 1 Scotch Pine

Note: Leave one Butternut standing

Approximate cost at that time:	<b>\$6,000.00</b>
Pruning trees bordering Highland & McKinley	<b>\$4,290.00</b>

Purchasing new trees and planting of them:

12 Dogwoods along Highland Avenue	\$4,800.00
2 Red Oak trees	\$5,400.00
Labor	\$5,700.00
Total:	<b>\$15,900.00</b>

Grand total for all phases: **\$26,190.00**

(Mr. Kweskin asked Mr. Conroy if we could take it out of the account created for this purpose. Mr. Barbis said that this is the part of the property that needs it most. He thinks we need to use the \$31,000 in the account for this. We loaned some \$ to Pinkney and are recouping it at the rate of \$20,000 a year. We approved holding back so we could loan the money to Pinkney. We just wanted to do that in a big rush. We could remove the trees now and plant more in the spring. The ones facing Highland need it the most. The others could be trimmed up. He suggests approving \$10,290 right now).

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#### **Community Center Building Structure**

Plans to start work on the necessary maintenance repairs have been discussed by the Planning Committee. It is a long term plan and with the right preparation, we will spend any available funds wisely.

There has been some concern about how sound the structure of the top floor is. I had James Grant & Associates, who are structural engineers and historic preservationists, look at the floor while he was here to evaluate the condition of the cracks in the ceiling on the second floor at Pinkney House. Mr. Grant suggested that steel beams were probably used to span this area of the Community Center. He also suggested that we might get a better idea as to what is going on by approaching from the underside of the floor through the ceiling in the storage area, where we keep our folding chairs. There is evidence that a beam has been boxed in and that we could cut a hole there to examine how the floor is supported. In addition, we could conceivably go through the suspended ceiling in the main room off the Library.

#### **Community Center Meeting Room Lights**

New chandeliers have been installed in the meeting room. I have asked that a dimmer switch be installed there as well. We have installed 40 watt bulbs. I feel we need more light. Six lights at 60 or 75 watts on each chandelier would give the room 720 to 900 watts of light, which could be toned down with a dimmer switch as needed. Right now the six lights on each chandelier at 40 watts give us 480 watts. The approved cost for each chandelier was \$262.65. Total cost for the two chandeliers is: **\$525.30.**

#### **Bayley Beach Grill Enclosure**

Ed Carlson has installed wooden boards around the base of the grill enclosure to prevent sand from drifting in to the enclosed area, especially from the beach side and the Wee Burn side, where sand has a tendency to build up.

#### **Basketball Court**

The fence behind the east end of the court that separated us from Roton is down. Roton has asked us to solve the problem. The basketball players are losing their basketballs through and over this fence. I called Silvestri Fencing to give us an estimate for fixing the situation. They would install a new fence in front of the old frame, on the Roton side, that would cover the width of the basketball court, at a height of 8 ft. It would be black vinyl coated chain link fencing just like the grill enclosure. This will keep lost balls from bouncing over into the Roton property and give Roton back the security and privacy they requested. (Mrs. Langalis indicated a worry about the cost. Mr. Barbis said that Roton Point was going to split the cost with us).

Estimated cost: **\$1,400.00**

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#### **Picnic Tables**

Ed Carlson and I looked over the condition of the picnic tables and we determined that the damaged ones could be repaired using pressure treated lumber. They would all have to be cleaned and sanded again before applying a fresh coat of stain, to freshen them up for next season.

#### **Picnic Table Umbrellas**

We have usable umbrellas but some are in need of repair or replacement. Right now we have 12 umbrellas. We need a total of 8 more if we want to make sure every table plus the life guard has the use of one when needed. Walpole can give us a 10% discount on new umbrellas. Prices range from \$279.00 to \$489.00 per umbrella. 8 new umbrellas @ \$279.00 would total **\$2,232.00**. (Ed Carlson suggested looking at Seasons Too in Darien. Mr. Barbis noted that we have spent a fortune repairing old umbrellas and didn't think it was very cost effective. John Igneri suggested that there is an online place where they can be purchased).

#### **Pinkney Park Property**

James K. Grant Associates, who deal in Structural Engineering and Historic Preservation, looked at the top floor and attic of Pinkney House to determine if the structure was sound. The area in question was a bedroom on the second floor that has numerous cracks in the ceiling. Mr. Grant determined that the structure was sound and the resulting cracks in the ceiling of the bedroom were due to normal settling. The beams, being wood is "elastic" in nature and over time bend. In doing so they are held up by the vertical wall. Pressure is created and cracks occur. Mr. Grant will be sending us a report on his findings. He also looked at the Community Center for me while he was there.

#### **Pinkney House Leaks**

There has been evidence of a leak which has shown up on the ceiling of the entry hallway in Pinkney House. Ted Herz was able to isolate the cause. Carl Heise, a roofing contractor was recommended as Ted could not take time to do the repair. Mr. Heise examined this area from the outside and determined that replacing some shingles and flashing would be needed. A wooden panel over a beam on the outside was also the problem. This will be covered with a sheet of heavy aluminum and caulked. It will take Mr. Heise about a ½ day to do the repair.

Approved cost for this service: **\$500.00**

#### **Pinkney Park House & Barn**

The roof on both the main house and the barn need to be power washed and sealed with a Silken solution. Right now a lot of dirt and mildew is building up on the Pinkney House. The barn is not as bad but should be sealed as well. I spoke with our painter, Nice & Neat, to get a quote on taking care of this. His verbal quote to take care of both buildings would be **\$2,900.00**. (A question was asked if this was budgeted for? The answer was No. Mr. Conroy said that we don't really have the money, but we really should repair it.

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Mrs. Langalis said that we had put it off last year and the work should probably be done. **The spending of the money for this project was approved.** Mr. Pettus suggested that care should be taken with power washing as it can tear the shingles. He also recommended that the flashing should be lead coated copper).

### Pinkney House Lawn

The Farmers' Market has taken its toll on the lawn areas where tables and booths have been set up. We are going to experiment with moving the vendors to a different location within the park. Maggie Trujillo has agreed to take care of sorting out this new location.

I have received estimates for repairing the lawn, but if this same traffic is repeated on a weekly basis, the lawn will never have a chance to recover. It is too late in the season now for us to try and re-seed. We experienced this last year when seeding the lawn behind the gazebo. The weather changed quickly and the new seed did not take. To try to do it now would be a total waste of money and effort.

We have three areas of concern regarding the maintenance of the Pinkney Lawn. The area the Shakespeare Festival occupies/ The area that the Farmer's Market occupies. And the area that the general public occupies.

The present costs for servicing each are as follows:

1. Shakespeare on the Sound area: \$1,650.00
2. The Farmers' Market area: \$2,050.00 (in its present condition)
3. Northeast lawn area: \$1,650.00 and the South lawn bordering the new seawall: \$2,800.00

Total expenses are approximately: **\$8,150.00,**

One of the lawn contractors I called for advice has laid out a plan for yearly maintenance so as to establish a strong turf and make it more durable to future traffic. Once established the yearly maintenance fees would be reduced. They suggested coming back in mid November to treat the heavily weeded areas, of which there is a lot, and at least give new grass a fresh start in the spring. Shakespeare on the Sound has promised to share the responsibility and will contribute ½. The Farmers' Market does not have any money to help with their share. The rest is a district expense. I discussed other possible locations with Maggie Trujillo. Witch Park was a possible, but approval would have to be done through City Hall and Mike Mocciae. Maggie Trujillo said that Witch Park had been suggested earlier in the year as a back up location, should the Farmer's Market need more space due to overflow with more vendors. Witch Park would provide a bowl-like area for the vendors to be equally visible. (The lawn can be restored but it needs some time without the same traffic patterns on it. Jack recommends doing the repair of the lawn in the spring. He suggests treating the lawn for weeds now. Ed Carlson will speak

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to the contractor and will come back to Jack with a recommendation. The Commissioners cannot make an informed decision with the information available now).

**FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT - Ed Carlson - September 2009**

<u>Type of Activity</u>	<u>#</u>	<u># Man Hours</u>
Blasting Permit(s)	***	***
Blasting Site Inspection(s)	***	***
Building Inspection(s)	3	5
Clerical (office) work		15
Fire Marshal Conferences	1	1
Career Development Training	1	4
Investigation(s) Car Fire	***	***
Meetings: Construction	1	1
District Monthly	1	2
(Other)		
Plan Review	1	2
(Other)		
(Other)		
		Total Man Hours 30
Expenses: Vehicle Fire Investigation School: \$150.00		

Remarks to the Commissioners: I attended a very informative three day vehicle fire investigation school at the CT Fire Academy.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ed Carlson

(Mr. Carlson noted that everything had been pretty quiet. There was a discussion of the new fire truck that the Rowayton VFD is ordering. Ed said that the price approved will hold. He discussed how they might get a discount by paying at the outset. A letter should be drafted through Andy noting what the FD has done regarding comparison shopping. The RVFD still wants the Pearce equipment. Mr. Conroy raised a concern about prepaying the price. In the current economic environment, his concern is that the company making the truck might go out of business. Progress payments make more sense to Mr. Conroy. If the truck is ordered in November, it would be eight months before its delivery. Mr. Kweskin suggested that insurance could be bought against them going bankrupt. He is in favor of going with the Treasurer's plan. We should find out what the discount for prepayment would be and check the premium to insure against the lost of the prepayment. If we buy something, the funds are encumbered for the whole cost).

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**PROPERTY MANAGER'S REPORT - Ed Carlson - October 2009**

**Community Center:**

1. The estimate for material to extend the dog park fence is \$850.00 I have contacted Gail Jacques to request ½ of the cost. Approximately \$140.00 has been collected from the dog owners. I would like to install the fence this fall.
2. J-D Gator is back; but engine is finished. We will determine what to do with it.
3. The new truck will require a new box for collecting leaves which we will build.
4. Georgie Farrar did a fine job getting the lawn areas fixed following the Hurricane party.

**Bayley Beach**

1. A border of wood has been put in around the barbecue area to hold back the sand. This wood came from the Little League field.
2. Joe Gallo did remove all his materials early so we could shut down the concession.
3. The phone lines have been turned off for the winter.

**Pinkney Park:**

No Report

**Ambler Lot:**

1. The lawn area was reseeded.

(Regarding the building of a new box to collect leaves on the back of the new rack truck, Mr. Carlson estimated needing approximately \$350 for materials. We are still unable to locate the original certificate of origin for the old rack truck. The original dealer for the truck promised to have a letter to present, along with a letter from the District, to the new owner. The revenue from the sale of the old truck will more than pay for the renovations to the new truck. The Treasurer will "loan" the money in the meantime until the old truck is actually sold.

(The reseeding of the Ambler Lot was needed since it was determined that the original seed used was too old.

(Mr. Carlson has approached All Seasons Marine about shrink wrapping the cannon base for Halloween and they will take care of that).

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**OFFICER JOE JENSEN'S REPORT**

Officer Jensen will continue to keep an eye on things as well as he can even though he is very often called to other parts of Norwalk as the NPD has been very busy. Officer Jensen has spent a lot of time in Rowayton, but would like to spend more. He has committed to trying to get the speed trailer as often as possible.

Officer Jensen reported that there has been some increased through truck activity on Route 136 in the middle of the night. There will be more enforcement efforts in conjunction with Darien. The signage noting the through truck prohibition has not been replaced on 95 Northbound since the construction. Mike Barbis has notified the DOT. There should be more signage on the town line.

Joe noted that there have been some recent break ins and vandalism on Devil's Garden. One house on Wilson Avenue was ransacked and all the jewelry was taken. There has been a prowler dressed in a UPS uniform. On October 2, it is thought that this person actually made a delivery to a residence and then returned later to try to break in.

Officer Jensen was thanked for his report.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m. by outgoing Commissioner Ed Kweskin.

Respectfully submitted,  
Andrea Woodworth  
Clerk, 6<sup>th</sup> Taxing District