



# Bay Harbor Islands

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I am still outraged by the crimes of violence that appear to be on the increase throughout our country. After over a thirty-seven year career in law enforcement, I was hoping to see a decrease in this violence by now. Even if the economic conditions improve that's not the way it looks.

When our Police Chief added the TASER Electronic Control Device to the Police Department's array of less-than-lethal weapons, I knew he had done an in depth study of these devices and he is convinced, as I am, that it is a necessary tool to provide our officers with an alternative form of legitimate use of force if and when required.

The need was not predicated on our crime rate according to Chief Young, but from an officer safety standpoint. Since October 2007, the Department has had three assaults on police officers and three resulting arrests with violence, resulting in two injuries during the apprehension. While three assaults doesn't sound like very many incidents, it is still three too many. In the Chief's review of the incidents where officers suffered injuries, he is of the opinion that the TASER Electronic Control Device would have averted these assaults and injuries. We don't pay our law enforcement officers to keep our community safe by putting their lives on the line for us when resorting to physical force without the proper tools.

Police work, even in Bay Harbor Islands, can be dangerous. I think this quote from Chief Young is appropriate. He is a military veteran with over twenty-five years as a career policeman. "The use of any less-than-lethal weapon is not without risk. In my assessment, I find that the TASER is a necessary tool in our weapons inventory. Proper use, training and deployment will reduce injuries to both officers and suspects."

Providing the right tools to Bay Harbor's "Finest" to insure the job is done right will help keep our Town safe and protected against frivolous lawsuits against our officers' use of excessive force and vulnerability to unnecessary injuries. Our Town's "quality of life" is due in part with the way our police officers perform their duties. We are duty bound to see that they have the right tools to do the job.



- Ken

## Business Spotlight

### 1160 Hair Opens at Former London Scene Salon

The new 1160 Hair is a full service hair salon and spa named after its Kane Concourse address and occupying the former London Scene Salon space. Owned by Wendy Kahn, the lavishly equipped and decorated salon offers an array of cutting-edge services, including styling, Keratin treatments, hair straightening, non-damaging hair extensions made of human hair, color, manicures, pedicures, organic facials, full body waxing and massages. One unique service is the Hawaiian organic coffee chocolate pedicure that includes champagne, specialty gourmet coffees and chocolate truffles.

Educational classes on beauty and personal care – such as make-up application – will be given on a regular basis.

“Our goal is to make the salon a fun place to visit,” said husband and wife team Giles and Liza Barker, who oversee the salon operations. The expert team is led by Bryan Lanz, who has more than 20 years experience. Marion Schiaffino and Azzy Hajeb are master colorists with a large following. Kaylan Brunot specializes in hair extensions. Raymonde Frija and George Rosado are hair colorists and stylists. Eda Bitton, from Paris, also does cutting and coloring and Samantha Sipes, specializes in creative color and men’s cuts.

First time customers can get a free manicure or blow dry service with a pedicure. The offer is good until October 31. Hours are Tuesday-Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call 305-866-7939 or visit the website [www.1160hair.com](http://www.1160hair.com).



*A lavish decor greets customers at 1160 Hair.*

### Support the Humane Society While Dining at BHI Eateries

We have some terrific restaurants in our Town and during the month of October, three of them will have special promotions to benefit the Humane Society of Greater Miami. When you visit **Asia Bay, Caffe Da Vinci and Mario The Baker**, a portion of the proceeds will benefit this worthy charity. Call the participating restaurants for details since each promotion may vary.

- Asia Bay: 305-861-2222
- Caffe Da Vinci: 305-861-8166
- Mario The Baker: 305-868-5225

The Humane Society of Greater Miami is dedicated to placing every dog and cat into a loving home and to promote responsible pet ownership and spay/neuter programs. More than 250 homeless dogs, cats, puppies and kittens are cared for every day in its shelter. For further information please contact Laurie Hoffman at 305-749-1815 or email her at [laurie@humansocietymiami.org](mailto:laurie@humansocietymiami.org).

### Doug Armstrong Joins Town as Assistant Public Works Director

Doug Armstrong recently joined Bay Harbor Islands as the new Assistant Public Works Director. His principle responsibilities will be to supervise the landscaping, streets and parkways, sewer and water crews. He is also involved with customer service and is there to resolve problems as efficiently as possible.

Doug grew up in Illinois, where he attended Eastern Illinois University and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Technology with a concentration in Construction. He served for four years in the Navy as a Petty Officer and worked as a meteorologist. He has a long career in public works and enjoys projects such as waterworks, roads, and sidewalks. “I get great satisfaction in building things that are used every day and have some permanence,” he says.

Doug enjoys water sports and spending time with his family. He loves to dine out and looks forward to visiting a variety of restaurants.

“I love this Town,” he says. “It has such a wonderful sense of community and residents have so much pride in living here. It is very refreshing.”



*Doug Armstrong*

## **“Spooktacular” Halloween Planned for Oct. 28 on Kane Concourse**

### Merchants Group Developing in BHI

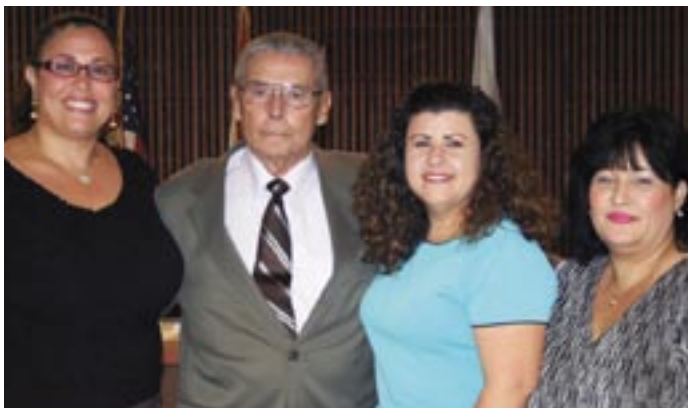
Following the huge success of the Bay Harbor Islands Bark Stroll, which benefited the Humane Society of Greater Miami Adopt-A-Pet program, the merchants in the business area are coming together to plan periodic events on Kane Concourse to bring more people to the street and their businesses. The organizers of the Bark Stroll, Bonnee Binker and Jerry Socherman of Camp Jernee, are planning some great events.

The first is a *Spooktacular Halloween* on October 28 from 5 – 8 p.m. Participants will be invited to come in costume to BHI and trick or treat in the stores. There will be music on the street, costume contests, special discounts, giveaways in stores and a chance to win gift certificates. Each and every monthly event will have a fun, exciting component to involve the participants and expose them to the wonderful BHI community and Kane Concourse.

“In unity there is strength and increased sales. That is why it is so important for all business owners to create a formal organization to continue looking out for the welfare of all of us. We are looking for 100% participation,” said Jackie Abraham, one of the core group who is very enthusiastic about the idea of a Merchants Association. If anyone is interested in learning more about the organization please call Camp Jernee at 305-378-6789.

### New School Leadership Introduced

The 2009-10 school year is underway at Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center and the school recently introduced its talented new leadership team before the Town Council meeting.



(L-R) *Elisa Mitrani-Profeta, Assistant Principal, Mayor Kenneth Weinstein, Dr. Maria T. Rodriguez, Principal, and Dr. Rita J. Mallett, Assistant Principal.*

## **Upcoming Town Meetings**

The Town Council welcomes your attendance at meetings. To confirm all meeting dates and times, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 305-866-6241. All meetings, unless regarding topics specifically exempt by state law, are open to the public.

- Planning and Zoning - Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 7 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting - Monday, Oct. 12 at 7 p.m.
- Planning and Zoning - Tuesday, Oct. 20 at 7 p.m.

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The following meeting dates are scheduled for various Committees and are open to the public. **Dates are subject to change**, therefore, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 305-866-6241 for confirmation of the meeting date and time.

- Environmental Impact - TBA
- Parks & Recreation - Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 7 p.m.
- Education - Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 6:30 p.m.
- Charter & Ordinance Review - TBA

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The following future meeting dates are subject to change. Closer to the date, please contact the Town Clerk's Office or check the Town's website [www.bayharborislands.org](http://www.bayharborislands.org).

- Regular Council Meetings: November 9, December 14 and January 11, 2010
- Planning and Zoning Board Meetings: November 3 & 17, December 1 & 15 and January 5 & 19, 2010
- Environmental Impact Committee - 1st Monday
- Parks & Recreation Committee - 2nd Tuesday
- Education Committee - 3rd Wednesday
- Charter & Ordinance Review Committee - 4th Monday
- Disaster Preparedness Committee - TBA

### **MEETING DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

## **Seniors on the Go**

Seniors on the Go is back for another exciting season. Mark your calendar for these upcoming trips:

- Tuesday, November 17, 2009  
*Legally Blonde* at the Broward Center, \$47
- Wednesday, February 24, 2010  
*39 Steps* at the Broward Center, \$42

For reservations, please contact Ruth Woods, 305-864-9580; Martha Astrella, 305-864-2086 or Bernice McKenney, 305-864-5854.

## Police Beat

### BHI Police Crisis Team Completes Training

The BHI Police Department was recently recognized for participation and support of the South Florida Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) at the Mental Health Transformation in Action Conference. BHI police officers and communication personnel have been trained and certified through the CIT program to recognize and assist those individuals with mental illness.



(L-R) Officer Olga Melendez, Assistant Chief of Police Allan Sjoberg, Miami-Dade County CIT Coordinator Habsi Kaba and Officer Mark Klepser.

### MADD Honors BHI Officers

Members of the Bay Harbor Islands Police Department were honored at the 2009 MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) Awards Ceremony for their performance and commitment to end drunk driving.

Officer Lindsley Noel (R) received the Top Cop DUI Officer Award for the second consecutive year for logging the most DUI arrests. Officer Patrick Munsch (L) was honored with the Unit Achievement Award for his participation with the BHI Police Department CITE (Combined Intensive Traffic Enforcement) unit. Assistant Chief Allan Sjoberg (C) accepted an award for sponsorship and participation in the community Moonlight MADDness walk and event.

### BHI Invited to Attend Moonlight MADDness on Oct. 16

Back for a second year of fun, Bay Harbor Islands and Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center are joining Mothers Against Drunk Driving for the Moonlight MADDness DUI fundraising awareness event on Friday October 16.

Starting at 6 p.m., participants will walk from the school to the beach to enjoy music, food, fireworks, demonstrations and entertainment. Cost is \$8 per person and includes a T-shirt. To register or for more information, call MADD at (305) 273-3744.



## Volunteer Needed!

### Serve BHI on Planning and Zoning Board

The Town is seeking a volunteer to fill a vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Board. The Board reviews and approves new construction, exterior renovations, additions, signage and plan revisions.

If you have been a resident of the Town for a minimum of one year, are interested in participating and feel qualified, please submit a letter of interest and a copy of your resume to Town Clerk Marlene Marante at Town Hall. If you don't have a resume, list your life experiences or qualifications in your letter. Fax to 305-866-4863, or e-mail mmarante@bayharborislands.net. The Town Council will review the applicants and appoint the new member at an upcoming Council meeting. For more information, contact Marlene Marante at 305-866-6241.

### Boy Scout Leads Pledge



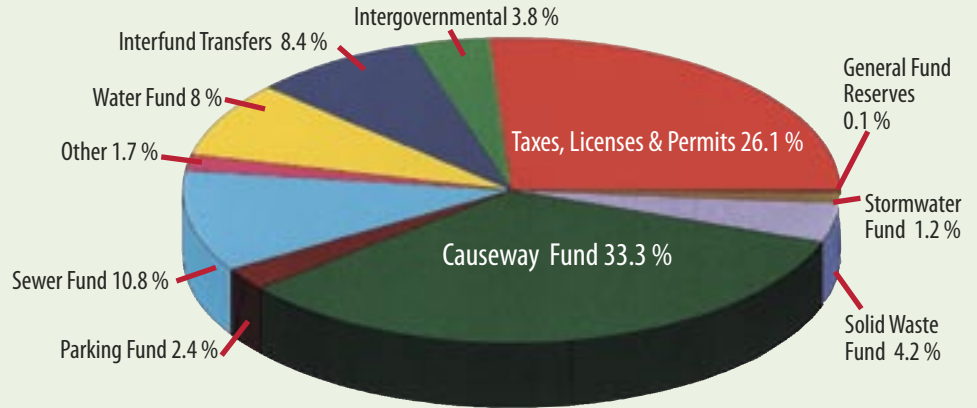
Mayor Kenneth Weinstein thanks Philip Whitman, a BHI native and student at Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center who led the Pledge of Allegiance at the September Council meeting. He is a member of local Scout Troop 305.

### BAY HARBOR ISLANDS Hurricane Preparedness Symposium

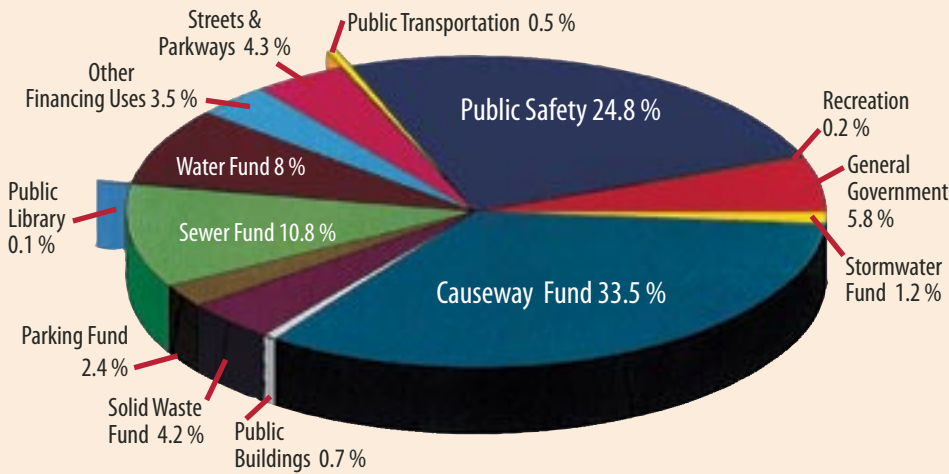
Shown M-F on Channel 77 at 7:55 a.m., 5:55 p.m., 1:55 a.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays at 12:55 p.m. Call Town Hall at (305) 866-6241 for more information.

# Proposed 2009-10 Town Budget

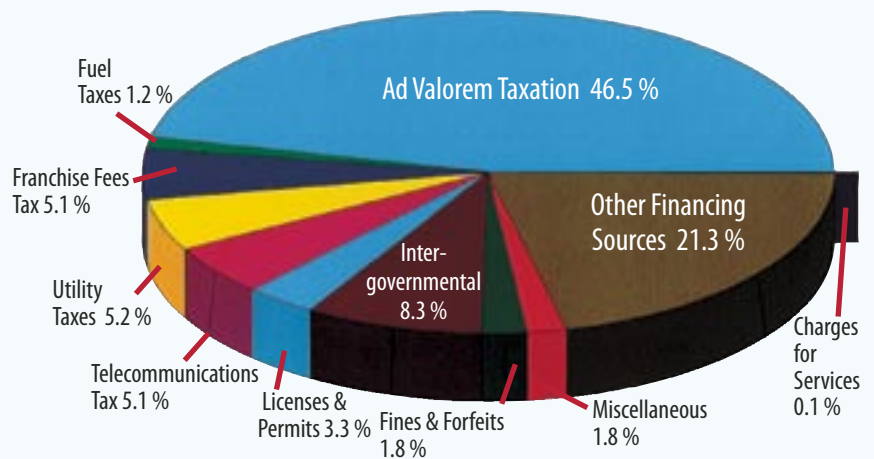
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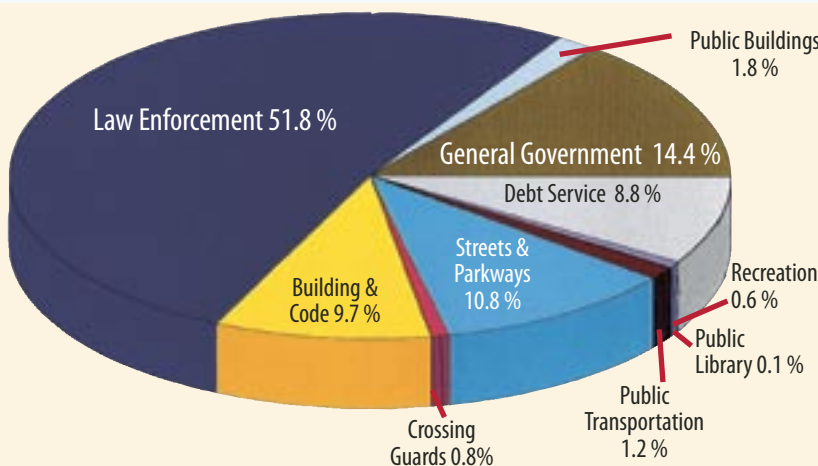
## Estimated Financing Uses *All Funds*



## Estimated Financing Sources *General Fund*



## Estimated Financing Uses *General Fund*



## Town Council

Kenneth Weinstein  
*Mayor*

Ileene S. Wallace  
*Vice Mayor*

Stephanie Bruder  
*Councilwoman*

Jordan W. Leonard  
*Councilman*

Alberto Ruder  
*Councilman*

Isaac Salver  
*Councilman*

Robert H. Yaffe  
*Councilman*

## Town Officials

Ronald J. Wasson  
*Town Manager*

Marlene Marante  
*Town Clerk*

Craig B. Sherman  
*Town Attorney*

Duncan W. Young  
*Chief of Police*

Alan Short  
*Finance Director*



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## Highlights of the September 14 Council Meeting

- **Approved on first** reading a proposed ordinance adopting the proposed millage of 4.4120 which is equal to the rolled back rate.
- **Approved on first** reading a proposed ordinance making appropriations for the General, Water, Sewer, Parking, Solid Waste, Causeway, and Stormwater Funds for the Year beginning October 1, 2009 and ending September 30, 2010, in the sum of \$17,039,870.
- **Approved on second** reading Ordinance #886 amending Sections 20-8 and 20-9 of the Town Code increasing the monthly base and flow charges for sewer service.
- **Approved on second** reading Ordinance #887 amending Sections 20-5 and 20-6 of the Town Code increasing the monthly charge for water service to \$4.19 per one thousand gallons and increasing the minimum monthly service charge for each water meter to \$19.54.
- **Approved on second** reading Ordinance #888 adding Section 24-17 of the Town Code relating to abandoned real and personal property.
- **Approved** the assignment of the Solid Waste Contract to Waste Management, Inc. of Florida.
- **Approved** an extension of the Contract with Limousines of South Florida, Mini Bus service provider, for an additional year at the current rate of \$35.29 per operating hour.
- **Approved** a purchase of a new coin sorter for the Toll Plaza at a cost of \$43,300 from ACS.
- **Approved** Change Order #22 for additional flood panels for the Municipal Parking Garage as required by FEMA in the amount of \$8,331.67 to Dooley Mack Constructors of South Florida.
- **Awarded** a contract for Project BHI-148 Pay By Space Station Parking Control System in the amount of \$115,267 to CTR International, Inc. for the installation of parking control equipment in the Town's Municipal Parking Garage.
- **Approved** Resolution #1099 authorizing the application for a grant from the Safe Neighborhoods Park Bond Program for the 92 Street and 98 Street Parks Development.