

BAL HARBOUR

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OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

LETTER TO COUNCIL

NO. 004-2021

To: Mayor Gabriel Groisman and Members of the Village Council
From: Jorge M. Gonzalez, Village Manager 
Date: January 8, 2021
Subject: **Bal Harbour Police Department Weekly Report for the period of January 8, 2021, through January 14, 2021**

The purpose of this Letter to Council (LTC) is to transmit to you a Weekly Report from the Bal Harbour Police Department that I requested in order to enhance the flow of communication and transparency.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to call Chief Raleigh Flowers or me directly.

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Bal Harbour Police Department Weekly Summary

2021 Week #2: Friday January 8, 2021, through Thursday, January 14, 2021

<i>Calls for Service</i>		<i>Reports</i>		<i>Arrests</i>		<i>Code Enforcement</i>		<i>Traffic Enforcement</i>	
Primary	42	Incident	24	Felony	00	Violations	00	Citations	34
Assist Other Agency	01	Crash	01	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	02	Warnings - Verbal and Written	08	Warnings	16
Total	43	Total	25	Total	02	Investigations	40	Parking	26
								Total	76

2020 Week #1: Friday January 10, through Thursday, January 16, 2020

<i>Calls for Service</i>		<i>Reports</i>		<i>Arrests</i>		<i>Code Enforcement</i>		<i>Traffic Enforcement</i>	
Primary	35	Incident	12	Felony	01	Violations	01	Citations	47
Assist Other Agency	02	Crash	04	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	00	Warnings	00	Warnings	45
Total	37	Total	16	Total	01	Investigations	01	Parking	30
								Total	122

Weekly Marine Patrol Enforcement

Bal Harbour Boat out for Maintenance / On Patrol with Indian Creek Marine Patrol	
Stops	NA
Contacts	NA
AOA	NA
Reports	NA
Citations	NA
Warnings	NA

Enforcement Activity Summary

Friday, January 8		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	07	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	05	04
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	03	02

Saturday, January 9		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	08	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	02	01
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	02	00

Sunday, January 10		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	02	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	04	00
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	03	00

Monday, January 11		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	00	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	00	00
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	01	04

Tuesday, January 12		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	08	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	00	00
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	00	00

Wednesday, January 13		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	00	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	04	01
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	03	00

Thursday, January 14		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	01	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	07	04
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	00	00
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	00	00
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	00	00

Summary of Activities and Events

Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement Officers (CEOs) patrolling the beaches discovered a visitor walking on the beach with a dog. The CEOs intervened and informed the visitor of Village's ordinance regarding the dogs on the beach. The visitor promptly removed the dog from the Bal Harbour Beaches.

Code Officers responded to a complaint of a resident walking his dog off leash at by a condominium on the west side of Collins Avenue. CEOs found no code violation, but met with the resident and reminded the resident of the Village's dog leash requirements.

The Code Enforcement Unit is working with beachside condominiums addressing allegations of improper short-term rentals. CEOs worked with representatives of the condominium buildings and sent reminder notices to the affected home owners informing them of the Village's short-term rental ordinances.

Code Enforcement Officers contacted the owner of a vacant condominium building on the west side of Collins Avenue to ensure the property is properly secured and maintained. The property owner obtained fencing permits and will further secure the vacant property.

Criminal Investigations

The Criminal Investigations Division worked with the Department of Children and Families to secure assistance for an elderly resident at a beachside condominium. The resident filed multiple police reports alleging a variety of thefts involving care takers, family members, or financial institutions. The resident would go on long rants talking about the same incidents but involving different people on each report. Detectives felt the resident's behavior was indicative of deteriorating mental functions and referred the case to DCF for further investigation. The effort led to DCF finding the resident in need of services and seeking guardianship rights to ensure the resident was well served. The resident is now under the care of DCF.

Detectives assisted a Village resident with the process of obtaining a restraining order. The resident was able to gather the necessary documents and successfully obtained a restraining order.

Summary of Noteworthy Calls for Service

01-08-2021	Theft	9700 Collins Avenue
<p>Officers responded to a reported theft that occurred at Saks Fifth Avenue. Loss Prevention associates told officers two unknown females were captured on video entering the Fifth Avenue Club, which is exclusive to members and employees only. The females were recorded attempting to gain entry to several doors until they were intercepted by an employee who advised it was a restricted area. The unknown females returned to the restricted area and exited shortly thereafter. Subsequently, two victims in the area discovered credits cards missing from their purse. This case has been forwarded to the Criminal Investigations Division for further follow-up.</p>		
01-09-2021	Fraud	9700 Collins Avenue
<p>Two unknown males entered the Valentino store located inside the Bal Harbour Shops. The males selected several pieces of merchandise for purchase and completed the transaction with an Apple Pay account. The transaction was successful and the males began selecting more merchandise, during that time store associates discovered the Apple Pay account was fraudulent. The subjects were alerted and left the area immediately. This case has been forwarded to the Criminal Investigations Division for further follow-up.</p>		
01-09-2021	Theft	9700 Collins Avenue
<p>A female victim at a restaurant in the mall tried to pay her tab and discovered her wallet was missing from her purse. A review of the restaurant's video footage revealed a male suspect took her wallet while the victim was distracted. Detectives reviewed the video and are attempting to identify the suspect.</p>		
01-10-2021	Neighbor Dispute	10200 Block of Collins Avenue
<p>Officers responded to a neighbor dispute at a condominium building on the west side of Collins Avenue. The dispute has been on-going. The victim complained the neighbor yelled at her minor son. The victim received information about the process for applying for a restraining order. The victim obtained the restraining order and officers served the injunction on the other neighbor.</p>		
01-11-2021	Suspicious Person	10200 Block of Collins Avenue
<p>Officers responded to a call of an armed suspect at the Haulover Bridge. Upon arriving, officers found the suspect and determined he was in violation of Florida firearms laws. The suspect was taken into custody without incident and charged accordingly.</p>		
01-13-2021	Open Door	10200 Block of Collins Avenue
<p>A resident returned home and discovered her front door was slightly ajar. The resident backed away and contacted the police for assistance. Officers arrived and checked the residence, however, there was no indication of criminal activity.</p>		

01-13-2021

Disturbance

9600 Block of Collins Avenue

The valet at the Bal Harbour Shops reported an intoxicated male was causing a disturbance. When told police were on their way, the man left the mall and headed toward the condominium buildings on the opposite side of Collins Avenue. Officers located the suspect and he was warned that similar incidents will result in the issuance of a trespassing warning from the Bal Harbour Shops.

01-14-2021

Wanted Person

10200 Block of Collins Avenue

While on routine patrol, a Bal Harbour officer received an alert on his License Plate Reader regarding a wanted person. After conducting a traffic stop, the investigation revealed the person had an open fugitive warrant from Monroe County. The male was transported to Miami Dade County Warrants for verification and finally transported to Jail.

Completed by: Raleigh Flowers, Jr., Chief of Police

Date: January 15, 2021

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'R. Flowers', is written below the name of the Chief of Police.