

BAL HARBOUR

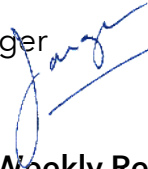
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OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

LETTER TO COUNCIL

NO. 145-2021

To: Mayor Gabriel Groisman and Members of the Village Council

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez, Village Manager 

Date: October 15, 2021

Subject: **Bal Harbour Police Department Weekly Report for the period of October 08 2021, through October 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.

JMG/RF/MH



Bal Harbour Police Department Weekly Summary

2021 Week #41: Friday, October 8, 2021, through Thursday, October 14, 2021

<i>Calls for Service</i>		<i>Reports</i>		<i>Arrests</i>		<i>Code Enforcement</i>		<i>Traffic Enforcement</i>	
Primary	45	Incident	15	Felony	01	Violations	00	Citations	43
Assist Other Agency	04	Crash	01	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	00	Warnings - Verbal and Written	05	Warnings	67
Total	49	Total	16	Total	01	Investigations	54	Parking	27
								Total	137

2020 Week #41: Friday October 09, 2020 through Thursday, October 15, 2020

<i>Calls for Service</i>		<i>Reports</i>		<i>Arrests</i>		<i>Code Enforcement</i>		<i>Traffic Enforcement</i>	
Primary	38	Incident	25	Felony	01	Violations	00	Citations	40
Assist Other Agency	03	Crash	02	Misdemeanor Includes Traffic	01	Warnings	01	Warnings	42
Total	41	Total	27	Total	02	Investigations	84	Parking	24
								Total	106

Enforcement Activity Summary

Friday, October 08		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	00	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	03	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	01	08

Saturday, October 09		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	03	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	01	03
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	06

Sunday, October 10		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	05	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	01	02
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	10	06

Monday, October 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	03	09

Enforcement Activity Summary (continued)

Tuesday, October 12		
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	04	05

Wednesday, October 13		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	07	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	04	04
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	00
Residential 20 MPH is Plenty AM & PM Details	08	08
Harding Avenue & 96 Street / Crosswalk	03	02
All other Collins Avenue Enforcement Results	03	05

Thursday, October 14		
Traffic Enforcement Details		
Location / Detail Type	Citations	Warnings
Parking Enforcement Village Wide	12	00
Radar Enforcement on Collins Avenue	00	03
9700 Collins Avenue / Shops Illegal Right Turns	00	00
North Lot / Frontage Road	00	02
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

The Code Enforcement Unit has been focused on addressing an uptick in non-code compliant signage within the gated community. Code Officers visited three construction sites along Bal Bay Drive and issued warnings to the property owner and contractors for non-compliant signs. Code officers will return to each site to ensure compliance.

Code officers are also addressing the placement of permanent signs at two vacant lots. The signage designates the properties as private property, but fall short of code standards. Code Enforcement Officers developed the warning notices so the property owners can be warned of the potential violations and given a means toward proper compliance.

The Code Enforcement Unit assisted the Patrol Division in monitoring a high school track-and-field event on the hardpack. Participants ran a five-kilometer course from Bal Harbour to Surfside and back.

The use of the Code Enforcement unit allowed Patrol operations to continue functioning without disruption.

Criminal Investigations

The Criminal Investigations Division (CID) assisted Patrol Officers with a case involving theft from mailboxes. Detectives compiled the reports and evidence obtained and coordinated investigative efforts with the USPS Police. Detectives reviewed video from license plate readers (LPR) and located a possible suspect vehicle. Detectives forwarded the video images to FaceLogics, a company used by the CID for enhancements of photos. Agents from the US Postal Service assumed the lead investigative role.

The CID closed a case involving a battery on Bal Harbour officers. The incident developed when officers attempted to take a mentally ill individual into custody for involuntary examination under the State's Baker Act law. The subject resisted and struck officers with his vehicle as he fled. Detectives attempted to obtain an arrest warrant, but the State Attorney's Office determined there was insufficient evidence to prove a criminal case, thus refusing the warrant. The case will be closed due to lack of prosecution by the state.

The CID assisted Police Administration during an FDLE audit of departmental practices and procedures. The Department will provide FDLE with the necessary documentation to remain in full compliance with FDLE standards.

Marine Patrol / Beach Safety Officer Details

Stops	Citations	Warnings	Arrests	Reports	AOA	Contacts
11	00	05	00	01	00	96

Remarks

Marine Patrol

While patrolling the Atlantic waters of our coast, a Bal Harbour marine officer observed a stranded vessel drifting towards the coastline. Due to safety concerns, a four-year-old child was removed from the vessel and placed in the patrol boat. Tow Boat UA responded and towed the stranded vessel to the Haulover Marina. The child was reunited with the family once the vessel was secured at the marina.

Marine patrol conducted directed patrols along the Bal Harbour beach and bayside waters. Additionally, the marine officers assisted patrol and with our Multi-Agency Educational Traffic Detail.

Beach Safety Officer:

While conducting beach area inspections, the BSO discovered a damaged, lighted bollard along the hardpack behind the Majestic Condominium. The area was secured with safety tape and Public Works supervisors were notified.

The BSO encountered one dog on the beach. The owner was advised of our code restrictions and they immediately removed the dog.

Summary of Noteworthy Calls for Service

10/09/2021

Traffic Incident

9 800 Collins Avenue

While conducting traffic enforcement on the Collins Avenue corridor, a Bal Harbour officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle with an expired tag. The investigation revealed the state had issued a seize tag order and the driver had a suspended drivers license. The tag was seized and the driver was issued multiple citations.

10/09/2021

Recovery Stolen Vehicle

10200 Block Collins Avenue

Pursuant to a be-on-the-look-out broadcast, Bal Harbour officers initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle reported stolen out of the City of Miami. The investigation revealed the vehicle had been repossessed, mistakenly reported stolen, and later returned back to the owner. The vehicle alert was removed from the National Crime Information Center's database.

10/10/2021	Suspicious Incident	Collins Avenue
A Bal Harbour officer attempted a traffic stop on a speeding vehicle. The driver refused to stop and fled northbound out of our jurisdiction. The high-end vehicle matched the description of a car used in vehicle burglaries and auto thefts that have occurred in our surrounding communities. A (BOLO) be-on-the-look-out was issued and a situational awareness briefing email was disseminated to all police personnel.		

10/10/2021	Hazardous Conditions	120 Park Drive
The owner reported a strong odor of natural gas inside their residence. Miami Dade County Fire Department and TECO Gas Companies responded. TECO detected the leak and conducted the necessary repairs. No injuries or damages were reported.		

10/11/2021	Assist Other Agency / Postal Police	Collins Avenue Condominiums
Bal Harbour police officers received a call of an individual breaking into mailboxes. The officers conducted an extensive area canvass and followed all leads called in to our communications center. The officers did locate the subjects abandoned backpack which contained stolen mail inside. The case was turned over to the Postal Police. Bal Harbour criminal investigation detectives are assisting Postal Police detectives.		

10/13/2021	Traffic Education and Enforcement Detail	Village Wide
The Bal Harbour Police Department hosted a Florida Department of Transportation Multi-Agency Traffic Education and Enforcement initiative. Agencies from the North East Community Traffic Safety Team distributed 188 informational guides/flyers and issued a combined total of 106 traffic citations.		

10/14/2021	Felony Fraud Arrest	10295 Collins Avenue
Bal Harbour officers were summoned to the Ritz-Carlton regarding a fraud in-progress. The investigation revealed a stolen credit card was used to book a room and incur room service charges in the amount of \$3000.00. Officers arrested the subject and transported him to jail.		

10/14/2021	Special Event	North Lot
The Bal Harbour Police Department assisted the Hebrew Academy and other local private high schools with their annual 5K Race. The competition was comprised of cross county students who ran along the beach hardpack to Surfside and back.		

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

Date: October 15, 2021

