

WILMERDING BOROUGH FIRE CODE ENFORCEMENT & PUBLIC SAFETY ORDINANCES ENFORCEMENT
ACTIVITY FOR OCTOBER 2020 FIRE MARSHAL / CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AL VINCENT HUSSEY

(OCCUPANCY INSPECTIONS FOR OCTOBER 2020)

PASSED INSPECTIONS = 5

FAILED INSPECTIONS = 10

RESCEDULED FAILED INSPECTIONS = 3

FEES COLLECTED = \$ 0.00 SEE OFFICE REPORT

(ORDINANCE AND QUALITY OF LIFE COMPLAINTS)

ISSUE.	TOTAL.
Origin and Cause Fire Investigation.	0
138-2 PERMIT REQUIRED FOR OCCUPANCY.	4
138.3 OCCUPANCY INSPECTION REQUIRED FOR SALE OR TRANSFER	10
145-9 STANDARDS ADOPTED.	0
192-1 LITTERING PROHIBITED.	10
210-2 HEALTH HAZARDS AND NUISANCES PROHIBITED.	5
238-14 WRITTEN RENTAL AGREEMENT.	4
238-30 LICENSE REQUIERMENTS.	1
255-11 STANDARDS FOR STORAGE OF SOLID WASTE.	0
255-13 CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTE.	0
285-36 PARKING OF TRUCKS, BUSES AND CERTAIN OTHER VEHICLES.	3
301.2 RESPONSIBILITY.	0
301.3 VACANT STRUCTURES AND LAND.	10
302.4 WEEDS	3
302.8 MOTOR VEHICLES	2
304.10 STAIRWAYS, DECKS, PORCHES AND BALCONIES.	2
110.1.1 UNSAFE BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES.	23
304.2 PROTECTIVE TREATMENT.	0
307.1 HANDRAILS AND GUARDRAILS.	0
308.1 ACCUMULATION OR RUBBISH OR GARBAGE.	0

308.2 DISPOSAL OF RUBBISH.	10
308.3 DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE.	10
108.1.3 STRUCTURE UNFIT FOR HUMAN OCCUPANCY.	0
1027 Quality of Life ticket / Ordinance issued	8

OCCUPANCY INSPECTION TOTALS FOR WILMERDING BOROUGH FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2020

Total passed occupancy inspections = 5 Failed = 10 Total Temp Occupancy Insp = 15

730 Middle avenue owned by Akinyemi Akinsbras 10/1/2020 at 16:00 pm 1st inspection failed on this date and time.

520 Airbrake Avenue owned by Heather Rose AKA Heather Wise 10/15/2020 at 11:00 am 1st inspection failed on this date and time.

138 Card Avenue owned by Brad Geisen 10/15/2020 at 10:00 am 1st inspection failed on this date and time. For sale or transfer of this property, Owner occupied.

269 Welsh Avenue owned by Red-Not life AKA Sonnie Kim 10/16/2020 at 17:30 pm 1st inspection failed on this date and time. For sale or transfer of this property. Owner occupied.

309 Welsh Avenue owned by Red-Not life AKA Sonnie Kim 10/16/2020 at 18:00 pm 1st inspection failed on this date and time. For sale or transfer of this property.

248 Lilac Alley owned by Red-Not life AKA Sonnie Kim 10/26/2020 at 07:00 am 1st inspection failed on this date and time. For sale or transfer of this property.

319 Patton Street owned by Red-Not Life AKA Sonnie Kim 10/26/2020 at 07:30 am 1st inspection failed on this date and time. For sale or transfer of this property.

411 Commerce Street apartment # 23 owned by Admiral Place Property management 10/28/2020 at 14:00 pm 1st inspection of this apartment failed on this date and time.

411 Commerce Street apartment # 24 owned by Admiral Place Property management 10/28/2020 at 14:35 pm 1st inspection of this apartment failed on this date and time.

411 Commerce Street apartment #26 owned by Admiral Place Property management 10/28/2020 at 15:05 pm 1st inspection of this apartment failed on this date and time.

428 Westinghouse avenue owned by Admiral Place Property management 10/20/2020 at 11:45 am 1st inspection of this property failed on this date and time.

518 Airbrake avenue owned by Toby Yorke 10/9/2020 at 08:55 am 1st inspection of this property failed on this date and time.

730 Middle avenue owned by Akinyemi Akinbras 10/8/2020 at 15:30 pm 2nd inspection of this property passed on this date and time.

430 Caldwell Avenue Floor # 1 owned by Steve Volpe 10/9/2020 at 11:30 am 1st inspection of this property passed on this date and time.

618 Lydia Street owned by Steve Voipe 10/9/2020 at 12:30 pm 1st inspection passed on this date and time.

539 Westinghouse avenue owned by Mr. Liscio 10/7/2020 at 13:00 pm 2nd inspection passed on this date and time.

428 Westinghouse Avenue owned by Admiral Place Property management 10/30/2020 at 13:30 pm 2nd inspection passed on this date and time.

EVENTS AND CODE VIOLATIONS FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER 2020 WILMERDING BOROUGH.

Magistrate court hearings 10/21/2020

Magistrate court hearings 10/28/2020

Common pleas court hearing 10/22/2020 as a Commonwealth fact witness for Assistant District Attorney office in a case from last year.

900 Middle Avenue, owned by Bob Coddington, Ongoing Building project inspections and guidance 10/21/2020 at 10:30 am Required fire protection equipment and alarms. Emergency Exit signs and lighting.

318 Middle Avenue, owned by Amit and Mario Constable, Ongoing remodeling project inspections and guidance 10/26/2020 at 7:30 am Scaffolding delivery and install by contractor.

118 Middle avenue received a dumpster permit application for ongoing property addressed remodeling 10/08/2020 at 08:00 am reviewed proposed application site inspection. Permit was approved and granted.

411 Caldwell avenue received a dumpster permit application for ongoing property addresses remodeling 10/21/2020 at 15:00 pm reviewed proposed application site inspection. Permit was approved and granted.

Received a small project building permit for 520 Airbrake Avenue 10/1/2020 at 15:30 pm for replacement of a wooden deck located on this property front entrance. Inspected job site for compliance with (IBC) international Building Code and local adopted zoning codes. Subsequently project complies and building permit was issued on this date and time.

Received a request for footer inspections from last months building permit application posted at 413 Deborah Drive 10/27/2020 at 16:00 pm footers were inspected and in compliance with the required depth and width for this project.

Received a complaint about 626 Middle avenue from tenant about a hole in the roof that property owner has failed to fix. 10/19/2020 at 15:00 pm attempted contact with complainant on this date and time and contact was made with listed tenant. I took a statement from tenant about the aforementioned hole in the roof and information surrounding her attempts to fix the issue herself. I then contacted property owner and issued a notice to correct the code violation. I will follow up on this issue within 10 days to trust but verify the issue has been corrected.

730 Middle avenue self-witnessed a vehicle with flat tires last month with no movement or corrective actions on tire. 10/29/2020 at 08:00 am issued a borough parking longer than permitted tag # 3110. Will turn into ACPD if ticket is not paid after required compliance date. Cleared the call without incident

120 Middle avenue self-witnessed improper disposal of rubbish and garbage 10/7/2020 at 08:30 am attempted contact with tenant on this date and time. No contact was made during this attempt. Posted a quality of life ticket # 0165 and an orange curtesy notice outlining violations. Later in the day the issues were abated. Cleared the call without incident.

10/9/2020 at 07:30 am Card avenue stop sign self-witnessed Rain Roofing van parked at stop sign with no one around and workers working on roof up along Morningside avenue property. Issued a borough parking within 20 feet of a stop sign tag #2439 while I was issuing the parking tag the workers seen me and ran down to move the van. Ticket was withdrawn at time of issuance and I cleared the call without issue.

10/23/2020 at 10:00 am Westinghouse and Commerce Street stop sign next to the bank self-witnessed a vehicle parked at stop sign for the bulk of the morning issued borough parking tag # 2440 for parking within 20 feet of stop sign. Cleared the call without incident.

660 Middle Avenue 1st floor received a 979 complaint from police department 10/26/2020 at 17:00 pm attempted contact with tenant on this date and time. Contact was made with tenant. Issued a quality of life ticket # 0178 and an orange curtesy notice to tenant. I also explained the disruptive behavior and negative police contact local borough ordinance to tenant with his acceptance signature for later court prosecution should this behavior continue. Cleared the call without incident.

660 Middle Avenue 2nd floor received a 979 complaint from police department 10/26/2020 at 17:45 pm attempted contact with 2nd floor tenant on this date and time. Contact was also made with this tenant. Issued a quality of life ticket # 0179 and an orange curtesy notice to this tenant as well. I also explained the disruptive behavior and negative police contact local borough ordinance to tenant with his acceptance signature for later court prosecution should this behavior continue between these two tenants. Cleared the call without incident.

121 Watkins avenue 10/19/2020 at 07:00 am self-witnessed roof that needed repair had been removed since the last posting of the Orange curtesy notice. Still working on the existing code violations for this property. I have been having some difficulties locating the owner.

700 Middle avenue 10/9/2020 at 07:30 am self-witnessed a dryer placed on the public borough property hillside. Subsequently legally giving up their right of ownership to this dryer. Attempted contact on this date and time with residents of the commercial building and no one would claim to know who put the dryer there or who owned the dryer. I called the scrap man, and the dryer was removed on this date and time. Issue abated with my involvement and I cleared the call without incident.

672 Middle avenue 10/02/2020 at 08:30 am self-witnessed trash set out after regular scheduled pick up. On this date and time, I attempted contact with tenant on this date and time. Contact was made during this attempt and tenant was advised of the violation along with the hazards that come along with setting out garbage and trash this early. Quality of life ticket #0161 was issued to document the encounter along with an orange curtesy notice. Garbage and trash were removed, and the code violation was abated on this date and time. Cleared the call without incident.

114 Laurel Square 10/5/2020 at 15:00 pm self-witnessed with the help of video surveillance provided by Johnny's restaurant video surveillance system tenant of 114 Laurel Square illegally dumping trash and garbage into Johnny's restaurant commercial dumpster filling up the dumpster leaving no room in the dumpster for Johnny's restaurant commercial garbage and trash. Attempted contact on this date and time with 114 laurel square tenants. Contact was made during this attempt on this date and time. I showed the video to the accused tenant. Tenant apologized to me and had her brother go out and remove the bags out of Johnny's dumpster. A quality of life ticket # 0174 was issued and signed for by tenant to document the call for later prosecution if this behavior continues. Tenant thanked me for the way the borough handled this issue. Cleared the call without incident.

408 Middle avenue 10/01/2020 at 08:00 am 1st floor self-witnessed food and garbage and trash all over the sidewalk and maliciously thrown all over the parked vehicle in front of this address and front yard. Attempted contact on this date and time. No contact was made during this attempt. A quality of life ticket # 0173 was issued with an orange curtesy notice. Property owner was also contacted to clean up the code violations and improve our community quality of life. Drove back around a few hours later and everything was cleaned up. Cleared the call without incident.

408 Middle avenue 10/01/2020 at 08:15 am 2nd floor self-witnessed food and garbage and trash all over the sidewalk and maliciously thrown all over the parked vehicle in front of this address and front yard. Attempted contact on this date and time. No contact was made during this attempt. A quality of life ticket # 0172 was issued with an orange curtesy notice. Property owner was also contacted to clean up the code violations and improve our community quality of life. Drove back around a few hours later and everything was cleaned up. Cleared the call without incident.

222 Westinghouse avenue 10/14/2020 at 09:30 am self-witnessed a large amount of household items placed outside of an apartment window in the rear yard along Caldwell Avenue. Attempted contact with the responsible apartment associated with the window the items were set out in front of. Contact was made on this date and time with tenant. Tenant was questioned as to what was going on with the items outside their window. Tenant advised me that it was from a recent argument with another occupant of the apartment and that the items would be brought back in. I thanked tenant and cleared the call without incident. Items were brought back into the apartment a few days later after this initial contact.

221 Card avenue AKA poplar alley 10/06/2020 at 08:00 am received a complaint about a brand-new wall that was built. Complaint was questioning if a permit was obtained for this new wall project built in the alley. On this date and time, I checked the property file and building permit was obtained by the owner of 221 Card avenue. 35x25 = 700 square feet or 26 cubic yards, Wall was under 5,000 square feet and no grading permit was needed. Cleared the call without incident.

530 and 532 Westinghouse avenue 10/19/2020 at 17:30 pm received a complaint about household remodeling items set out along the side of this duplex building. Attempted contact on this date and time no contact was made during this attempt. The duplex is vacant on both sides of the apartments. Remodeling of the apartments is occurring. An orange curtesy notice was issued on side screen door. I have yet to receive any correspondence from property owner or the contractor. I will continue to stop by the apartments to try and catch the contractor while they are at the apartment to advise them of a dumpster or bagster to comply to the local sanitation Quality of life ordinances.

430 Caldwell avenue 10/08/2020 at 08:30 am received a complaint about illegal tenant moving into this address. On this date and time, I attempted contact with possible tenant. No contact was made during this attempt. Apartment appeared to be vacant. Posted an orange curtesy notice on the rear screen door and later that day I received a phone call from the owner who had an occupancy application and check for this address made payable to the Borough of Wilmerding. Cleared the call without incident

107 Laurel Square 10/08/2020 at 13:30 pm received a complaint about tenant's yard located on Caldwell avenue side. On this date and time, I attempted contact with tenant. Contact was made during this attempt with tenant. I spoke to tenant about the lawn furniture and chairs in her yard. No violation was observed on this date and at this time of inspection. Cleared the call without incident.

450 Caldwell avenue / Brown street and polar alley 10/06/2020 at 07:35 am received a complaint about a metal chain link fence that was falling. Attempted contact with owner on this date and time by phone call. Contact was made during this attempt and the fence was removed over the weekend. Cleared the call without incident.

200 block of Caldwell avenue 10/06/2020 at 07:00 am received a complaint about a piece of furniture on sidewalk. Attempted to locate this piece of furniture on this date and time. Furniture was gone on my arrival on scene. Cleared the call without incident.

212 4th street rear garage of single-family dwelling 10/23/2020 at 17:30 pm attempted contact with occupant of the garage at the time of my stop. Contact was made with a person performing some work on a car inside of the garage. I informed the occupant of the reason for my stop. Occupant was very transparent and honest with me during my visit and invited me into the garage to speak with him in more detail. Occupant did inform me that he uses the garage for fixing some cars and he also does maintain the property (IE) grass cutting, got rid of the boats for the Owner that the Borough required the owner to remove, fixing up the apartment for the owner so the owner can apply for an occupancy permit so he could rent the apartment in the future. At the time of my stop I observed no code violations on this date and time. The garage was being used to fix one car. Cleared the call without incident. I will keep an eye out on this property to see if any other developments occur and may need further attention.

400 block Middle avenue 10/16/2020 at 16:00 pm received a complaint about a garage that the roof was falling in. Further investigation uncovered that the garage actual belongs to the abandoned house located on Airbrake Avenue with no address. I will further investigate this to see what the actual address is to see if we have a responsible owner. To be continued.

This Concludes Fire Marshal Hussey monthly code enforcement activity to date as of 10/31/2020