



# PINE HILL POLICE DEPARTMENT MEDIA RELEASE



<b>INCIDENT:</b>	Tax Clerk Guilty Plea – Theft by failure to make proper disposition	<b>DATE/TIME:</b>	04/25/2012
<b>LOCATION:</b>		<b>CASE #:</b>	
<p>On April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Dawn Gordon, 44 years of age and former Tax Clerk for the Borough of Pine Hill plead guilty in Camden County Superior Court to Theft by Failure to Make Proper Disposition. Dawn Gordon was arrested on February 9, 2010 by the Pine Hill Police Department after confessing to stealing cash tax payments made by property owners at the Pine Hill Tax Office. The investigation revealed Gordon failed to post cash payments she received to the proper tax accounts and applied larger payments received to past due accounts. She applied the payments to both principal and accrued interest to prevent property owners from being notified of the past due accounts. Pine Hill Detectives recovered a shoebox from under Gordon’s desk in the Tax Office that contained postdated tax payment receipts for accounts to which she had failed to post cash payments she had received. The investigation confirmed Gordon had stolen at least \$5,903.33 in cash tax payments and the figure was estimated to be much higher. The thefts took place in 2009 while she was working in the Tax Office. Gordon is scheduled to be sentenced in Superior Court on June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012. The thefts took place while she was working at the Tax Office in 2009.</p>			
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