

Agenda
Revised: Dec. 21, 2010

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In Attendance:

President of Council	Al Gabriel*	Council Member	Jeff Silver
Council Member	John Bendel	Council Member	Brian Taboada
Council Member	Greg Heizler*	Mayor	James Biggs
Council Member	Joe Rogalski	Borough Attorney	William Hiering, Jr.

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights was called to order following the caucus session held at the Island Heights Municipal Building, Wanamaker Complex, Island Heights, New Jersey.

Mayor Biggs read the notice of the meeting in accordance with the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT P.L. 1975 Chapter 231 (Section 10:4-10). Notice of the Meeting dates were faxed to the Asbury Park Press on December 11, 2009, notice is also posted on the bulletin board and in the municipal building.

Pledge to the flag and a moment of silence.

Roll Call:

President of Council	Al Gabriel *	Council Member	Jeff Silver
Council Member	John Bendel	Council Member	Brian Taboada
Council Member	Greg Heizler*	Mayor	James Biggs
Council Member	Joe Rogalski	Borough Attorney	William Hiering, Jr.

*Absent

Motion by Mr. Taboada second Mr. Silver to adopt on second reading and adoption of Ordinance 2010 – 10 entitled, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE VI ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS” CREATING SECTION 2 – 44 ENTITLED “RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR THE SAME”.

Mayor Biggs opened the Public Hearing Ordinance 2010 – 10, there being no comments or questions, motion made by Mr. Bendel second Mr. Rogalski to close the public hearing, unanimous voice vote.

Adoption Ordinance 2010 -10.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Gabriel	Absent	Mr. Rogalski	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Mr. Silver	Yes
Mr. Heizler	Absent	Mr. Taboada	Yes
		Mayor Biggs	Yes

Motion by Mr. Taboada second Mr. Rogalski to approve payment of obligations chargeable to the 2009 and 2010 operating budgets as presented:

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Gabriel	Absent	Mr. Rogalski	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Mr. Silver	Yes
Mr. Heizler	Absent	Mr. Taboada	Yes
		Mayor Biggs	Yes

Motion by Mr. Taboada second Mr. Rogalski approve payment of the vouchers held at the meeting of December 07, 2010 to Birsdall Services Group in the amount of \$12,089.73.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Gabriel	Absent	Mr. Rogalski	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Mr. Silver	Yes
Mr. Heizler	Absent	Mr. Taboada	Yes
		Mayor Biggs	Yes

The following items will be acted on as a consent agenda:

Motion by Mr. Taboada second Mr. Rogalski to approve the following purchase order requests:

Requesting Dept: Public Works
 Vendor: AISH Fire Protection Co.
 Item/Service: Fire Extinguisher Maintenance
Total: \$933.25

Requesting Dept: Police
 Vendor: GTBM, Inc.
 Item/Service: 1 – Info Cop Device License GSA Renewal
Total: \$1,050.00

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Gabriel	Absent	Mr. Rogalski	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Mr. Silver	Yes*
Mr. Heizler	Absent	Mr. Taboada	Yes
		Mayor Biggs	Yes

*Abstain on GTBM, Inc.

Motion by Mr. Taboada second Mr. Bendel to approve request from Elizabeth Leahey, for use of the Courtroom for Mock Trial Competition on Friday, January 21, 2011 between 2:45PM – 6:00 PM.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Gabriel	Absent	Mr. Rogalski	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Mr. Silver	Yes
Mr. Heizler	Absent	Mr. Taboada	Yes
		Mayor Biggs	Yes

Motion by Mr. Taboada second Mr. Bendel to approve minutes from the following meeting(s):
Oct. 26th and Nov, 06th, 2010.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Gabriel	Absent	Mr. Rogalski	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Mr. Silver	Yes
Mr. Heizler	Absent	Mr. Taboada	Yes
		Mayor Biggs	Yes

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Gabriel was absent.

Mr. Bendel delivered a report from Betsy Hyle who works with the Senior Advisory Committee as well as Trustees / Friends of the Library: Betsy reports that the last Senior Get-Together for this year was another great event; she thanks Ocean Ride representatives, Director Kathleen Edmond and Laurette Gabriel, who explained what's available through Ocean Ride and how to access these services. Flyers with all the information are available at borough hall. Senior Get-Together will take a break until March. Further information will appear on the Island Heights website. Betsy reminds us to drop off supplies for our troops serving overseas. There is a bin at borough hall and information on what's needed is on the senior page on the borough website. Packages will be sent to Island Heights resident Tyler Anderson who is currently serving our country in the Middle East. On behalf of Friends of the Library, Betsy thanks everyone who helped with the Library Open House. Folks in town for the annual House Tour stopped for refreshments and to shop the used-book sale and our annual homemade candy sale. Betsy offers special thanks to trustee Jayne Baumann for her homemade coffee cake and brownies and to former trustees Nancy Baker and Barbara Owens for their incredible chocolate bark candy, lollipops and chocolate covered pretzels, which will be on sale throughout the holiday. You'll find great holiday gifts and a great way to support the Friends of the Library. Betsy reported that Island Heights will be losing librarian Melissa Ernst to the Plumsted branch. This is a promotion for Melissa, Betsy said, and we wish her great success. During her four years in Island Heights use of the library grew enormously thanks to Melissa's initiatives and hard work. Until Island Heights is assigned a new librarian, hopefully early in 2011, Melissa will split her duties. So Betsy urges you to stop by and wish her well.

Mr. Heizler was absent.

MR. Rogalski reported that the Island Heights Police Department wishes all residents happy holiday's and reminds everyone to drive safely.

Mr. Silver reported that the Energy Efficiency and Conversation Block Grant (EECBG) Rebate Program provides supplemental funding for eligible New Jersey local government entities to lower the cost of installing energy conservation measures. Funding for the EECBG Rebate Program is provided through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). Mary Judge, who has been working tirelessly for the Environmental & Green Team Committees, has gotten the first step completed for the Energy Block Grant for our town. Way to go Mary. More December Safety Tips: December is the peak month for home candle fires, with Christmas Eve

and Christmas Day representing two of the five top days for associated fires. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) statistics show that more than half of all candle fires start when placing them too close to things that can burn. For additional resources and information about holiday fire safety, including audio clips, videos, and additional safety hints, visit NFPA's website at www.nfpa.org/holiday. Next month, more New Jersey Clean Energy tips for homeowners.

Mr. Taboada reported that public works had a Chlorine leak at the water treatment plant on Monday, December 20th. The plant was immediately shut down and emergency services were contacted as was the borough's licensed water treatment plant operator. This caused a temporary lockdown of the Island Heights Grade School to ensure the health, safety and welfare of everyone in the vicinity. Chlorine cylinders have a fusible lead plug in case of fires to prevent a cylinder explosion. A defect in this plug is what allowed the gas inside the cylinder to escape. The bad cylinder had been secured and the supply company replaced it at no cost to the borough as it is a manufacturer defect/failure. Our water license operator had been in contact with operations throughout this event. The plant is backing up and running on a new cylinder. Chlorine gas is dangerous. This is why our new treatment plant is designed to utilize calcium hypochlorite (dry, food grade HTH tablets) for disinfection purposes. The State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection was on hand as well. No violations were issued nor were operational concerns noted. I would like to thank all who were involved, particularly the Island Heights Police Department and the Island Heights Volunteer Fire Company for their professionalism and timely response.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Extended to Mr. Marvin: Inquired as to any updates on the Bay Avenue easement.

Adopt Resolution 2010 – 95 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. There being no items for executive session therefore this resolution was not acted on.

Motion by Mr. Bendel second Mr. Rogalski to adjourn the meeting, unanimous voice vote.


Respectfully submitted, Ellie Rogalski, RMC/CMC