

**Minutes**

**February 14, 2012**

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	Wm. Hierung, Jr., Esq.

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights was called to order the meeting was 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 appeared in the Asbury Park Press on December 25, 2011, 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	Wm. Hierung, Jr., Esq.

Second reading and adoption Ordinance 2012 – 01 entitled, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLANDHEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IDENTIFYING AND NAMING EAST CAMP WALK AND A PORTION OF WEST CAMP WALK.

Motion: Mr. Taboada second Mr. Heizler

Roll Call Vote:

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

Public Hearing Ordinance 2012 – 01. Mayor Biggs opened the public hearing there being no questions, motion was made by Mr. Gabriel second by Mr. Taboada, unanimous voice vote.

Adopt Resolution 2012-10 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER 2012 TAXES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$623.80 FOR BLOCK 41, LOT 4 IN THE NAME OF CHARLES MCBURNIE DUE TO OVERPAYMENT BY OWNER AND THE CREDIT OF THE HOMESTEAD REBATE.

Motion: Mr. Silver second Mr. Rogalski

Roll Call Vote:

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

Adopt Resolution 2012 – 11 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING ASSESSOR TO CANCEL THE CURRENT VALUES ON BLOCK 32 – LOT 1 FOR THE TAX YEAR 2011.

Resolution was tabled.

Adopt Resolution 2012 – 12 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE OCEAN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT COMMITTEE.

Motion: Mr. Bendel second Mr. Rogalski

Roll Call Vote:

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

Adopt Resolution 2012 – 13 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SCHEDULE “C” AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF OCEAN FOR 2012.

Motion: Mr. Taboada second Mr. Silver

Roll Call Vote:

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

Approve obligations chargeable to the 2011 operating budget and the 2012 temporary operating budget as presented.

Motion: Mr. Rogalski second Mr. Gabriel

Roll Call Vote:

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

The following will be acted on as a consent agenda.

1. Approve the following Purchase Order Requests.

Requesting Depart: Public Works W/S

Vendor: Point Bay Fuel

Item/Service: ULSD CLR NTX 142.4 GAL @3.5520  
1 FEDERAL LUST TAX

**TOTAL: \$505.94**

Requesting Depart: Public Works W/S

Vendor: AISH FIRE PROTECTION

Item/Service: Fire Extinguisher Maintenance for Public Works,

**TOTAL:** Fire House, Police Dept., Boro Hall & First Aid.  
**\$733.40**

Requesting Depart: Public Works  
Vendor: GILES & RENSONE  
Item/Service: Oil Leaking From Machine Repair not Covered Under  
Warranty due to External Damage  
**TOTAL: \$760.58**

Requesting Depart: Central Supply  
Vendor: DELAGE LANDEN FINANCIAL SERVICES  
Item/Service: Toshiba Copier Lease (Borough Hall)  
1/1/2012 – 2/14/2013  
**TOTAL: \$3,864.00**

Motion: Bendel second Silver.

Roll Call Vote:

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

2. Approve the following application for a Special Permit for Social Affair (ABC) for the following:

Applicant: Central Regional Foundation  
Location: Island Heights Fire Co. #1  
Date of Event: April 27, 2012 between the hours of 6:00PM – 9:00PM

Motion: Mr. Heizler second Mr. Bendel.

Roll Call Vote:

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

3. Approve the following Special Events Application:

Applicant: Toms River Kiwanis 5 K River to Bay Run  
Date of Event: May 05, 2012  
Certificate of Ins. Supplied

Motion: Mr. Heizler second Mr. Silver.

Roll Call Vote:

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

4. Approve request from the following for use of the Pavilion.

Applicant: Island Heights Cultural & Heritage Association  
Location: Central Avenue Pavilion  
Date of Event: June 23 & 24 2012

Motion: Mr. Silver second Mr. Heizler.

Roll Call Vote:

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

NEW BUSINESS: Accept with regrets the resignation of Albert R. Gabriel, Jr. as a member of council effective February 21, 2012.

Motion: Mr. Rogalski second Mr. Silver.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Award the proposal for Receptor Evaluation from EWMA location; Island Heights Borough Garage, Block 38.03, Lot 24,, Lake & Laurel Avenues in the amount of \$2,750.00.

Motion: Mr. Taboada second Mr. Rogalski.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Appoint Kenneth Kukfa to act as conflict attorney in the Central Regional litigation.

Motion: Mr. Bendel second Mr. Heizler.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Approve the following Purchase Order request:

Requesting Dept:	Police Dept.
Vendor:	Midas Muffler
Repairs to Ford F150	\$1,425.73
Dodge Durango	\$ 701.42
Total	\$2,127.15

Motion: Mr. Silver second Mr. Taboada.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Approve the exploration to determine whether the borough should/could sell the vehicles which were purchased from the county.

Motion: Mr. Heizler second Mr. Bendel. Unanimous voice vote.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Rogalski – no report.

Mr. Bendel –reported on behalf of Betsy Hyle of the Senior Advisory Committee that Senior Get-togethers are scheduled for Wednesday April 18th and Wednesday May 16th. Watch the newsletter and the post office window for details. There is no get-together in March, but Ocean County College is hosting the Senior Living Expo on Thursday March 15th in the College Gymnasium (Building #19). Doors open at 10:00 AM Expo closes at 2:00 PM. Among the highlights: and wellness screenings. Free samplings from area restaurants (the list is updated daily at [www.ocean.edutalumni/exhibitors](http://www.ocean.edutalumni/exhibitors)). Door prizes, free giveaways, and free parking.

On behalf of Island Heights Friends of the Library, Betsy said the trustees thank the Mayor and Council and public works for the mid-week library cleaning. The library continues to host record numbers of people each week. Betsy thanked all who supported the holiday candy sale, especially Nancy Baker, Barbara Owens and Jayne Baumann who contributed handmade chocolates. The next book club discussion will be Tuesday April 10th at 11:00 AM at the library.

The book, "Out Stealing Horses", and can be picked up March 13th at the library help desk. As always, excellent programs for children and adults are scheduled each month. The "Talk of the Town" series will return in the spring with Island Heights neighbors sharing their hobbies and interests. Stop by the library for a calendar or check them out on line.

Continuing, Bendel read a report from Peggy Bendel for the Green Team of the Environmental Committee: "The Green Team has arranged for a free energy audit of borough hall and the police station. Dr. Patrick Hossay and his student, Jared, of Stockton State College, came to Island Heights this past Thursday for an orientation, to take preliminary measurements, and to devise a plan. They will be visiting the two buildings a number of times in the months to come to collect data. The audit will be very detailed and include monitors of energy use by computers, refrigerators, and other equipment; studies of wind leaks around doors and windows; recommendations for conservation measures and projected savings; reports on air quality are also part of the energy audit. In a future phase, the audit will include the public works, library, and post office buildings. It's worth noting that sources for free and grant-subsidized energy audits have dried up, and audits are now priced on a per-square-foot basis. This arrangement with Stockton's experts is worth thousands of dollars to our borough."

Finally, Council Person Bendel commented on remarks at a meeting of the Ocean County Mayors Association that was addressed by Bill Dressel, Executive Director of the New Jersey League of Municipalities. Bendel said that in the not-too-distant future Island Heights needs to have a very serious discussion of ways to control taxes and maintain the borough's independence.

Mr. Taboada – no report.

Mr. Heizler - stated that he respectfully extend his heartfelt thanks to Gabe for his selfless service to this community. He is Island Heights. Mr. Heizler will miss him at council meetings but look forward to him cruising around town. Thanks Gabel?

Mr. Silver – no report

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

There was no public participation.

Adopt Resolution 2012 – 14 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. This resolution was not needed therefore it was not acted on.

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Bendel second Mr. Heizler, unanimous voice vote.

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Ellie Rogalski, RMC/CMC