

BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
April 25, 2017
7:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights is hereby called to order. Notice of this meeting is in accordance with the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 (Section 10:4-10). Notice of the meeting was advertised in the Asbury Park Press on December 21, 2016 and was also posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.

Pledge to the flag and moment of silence.

1. ROLL CALL

Councilmember Asay	Councilmember Snow
Councilmember Bendel	Councilmember Thompson
Council President Berglund	Councilmember Wudzki
Mayor Silver	

	Asay	Bendel	Berglund	Snow	Thompson	Wudzki	Mayor Silver	Atty O'Connell
Present	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Absent								

2. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

3. PRESENTATION

- A. Robert Rizzolo of Shore Outdoor Design, LLC to Appear Regarding the Maintenance of Memorial Field's Infield.

Mr. Rizzolo has offered, free of charge, to re-till and line the baseball field. Starting on June 10th he will go down to the baseball field and take a rototiller to the infield and break up the ground. He will then smooth and level the ground with a rake. He will also put foul lines down in the infield and the outfield. This will take approximately 4 to 6 hours.

Mr. Rizzolo would then do once-a-month upkeep to the baseball field by raking and relining the field. He would continue the upkeep until the first weekend in September. No upkeep would be done during the off-season and he would resume at the beginning of the next season.

Mr. Rizzolo provided the Acting Borough Clerk with Certificate of Liability Insurance. The Borough Attorney asked him to provide a waiver of liability.

A motion was made by Council President Berglund that the Borough accepts the offer by Shore Outdoor Design for the maintenance of the Memorial Field infield which includes smoothing, leveling and painting of lines and maintaining it throughout the summer. Councilmember Snow seconded the motion. All members of the governing body were in favor.

4. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

- A. Changing the Municipal Court Liaison from Councilmember Melissa Wudzki to Councilmember Sean Asay.
- B. Adding Councilmember Sean Asay as the Public Defender liaison.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2017

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Asay	X			
		Bendel	X			
X		Berglund	X			
		Snow			X	
	X	Thompson	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

6. RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2017-66 Accepting the Resignation of Timothy Geoghegan of the Island Heights Police Department

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF TIMOTHY GEOGHEGAN
OF THE ISLAND HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, Timothy Geoghegan has tendered his resignation as a patrol officer with the Island Heights Police Department effective April 14, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights hereby accepts Timothy Geoghegan’s resignation as patrol officer.

Councilmember Asay commented that the governing body and the Borough thanks Officer Geoghegan for his four years of service. He was an excellent Police Officer. Councilmember Asay recalled that one Christmas Eve, Officer Geoghegan disarmed a deranged man without use of force.

Public Comment - None

Roll Call

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		Asay	X			
	X	Bendel	X			
		Berglund	X			

		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

Resolution 2017-67 Discontinuing Postal Mailings of Municipal Newsletter

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
DISCONTINUING POSTAL MAILINGS OF MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Island Heights distributes a bimonthly newsletter, based on the official meeting minutes of the Borough Council, via email, posting on the Borough’s official website, personal pick-up at the Borough Hall and U.S. Postal mailing to individuals who express interest in receiving said newsletters; and

WHEREAS, the mailing of the newsletters via the US Postal Service has become financially burdensome to the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the newsletters are available to the public, via email, on the Borough’s official website and at Borough Hall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Island Heights, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, that effective immediately, the municipal newsletter will no longer be mailed via the US Postal Service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the newsletter will continue to be sent to those individuals who request to be sent the newsletter via email; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the newsletter will continue to be posted to the Borough’s official website, www.islandheightsboro.com in a timely manner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that hard copies of the newsletter may be obtained at Borough Hall, during regular operating hours.

Councilmember Asay commented that a form was mailed out and residents had two weeks to claim a hardship to keep receiving mailings. No hardships were claimed.

Public Comment - None
Roll Call

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Asay	X			
X		Bendel	X			
		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
	X	Thompson	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

Resolution 2017-68 Authorizing Change Order Number 1 for a Net Decrease of \$3,636.13 for Simpson Avenue Road Improvements and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the NJ Department of Transportation Payment Voucher

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1 FOR A NET DECREASE OF \$3,636.13
FOR SIMPSON AVENUE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AND
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION PAYMENT VOUCHER**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Island Heights entered into a contract with Earle Asphalt Company for Simpson Avenue Road Improvements; and

WHEREAS, Change Order Number 1 Final is required to decrease the final payment amount by \$3,636.13 as set forth in the attached Change Order Number 1 Final; and

WHEREAS, Payment Application Number 1 Final has been submitted for final payment and attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the attached Change Order Number 1 Final results in a net decrease of \$3,636.13 to the original price of \$125,213.13 for a total contract price of \$121,577.00; and

WHEREAS, said Change Order Number 1 Final and Payment Application Number 1 Final have been reviewed and approved by O'Donnell Stanton & Associates, Project Engineer; and

WHEREAS, an original copy of the State of New Jersey Final Payment Voucher in the amount of \$34,842.61, which represents the final reimbursement for the project must be signed by the Mayor of the Borough of Island Heights.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Island Heights, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the attached Change Order Number 1 Final; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Borough of Island Heights hereby authorize the Mayor to execute the original copy of the State of New Jersey Final Payment Voucher in the amount of \$34,842.61, which represents the final reimbursement for the project.

Public Comment - None
 Roll Call

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Asay	X			
	X	Bendel	X			
X		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

Resolution 2017-70 Approving a Study of Reed’s Cove from Long Point to Boy Scout Island to Gather Data to Support Future Grant Requests for Living Shoreline Projects

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS
 COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
 APPROVING OF A STUDY OF REED’S COVE FROM LONG POINT TO BOY SCOUT ISLAND
 TO GATHER DATA TO SUPPORT FUTURE GRANT REQUESTS FOR LIVING SHORELINE PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, a past council supported an initiative for portions of Reed’s Cove in a resolution entitled “Island Heights Shoreline Stabilization Demonstration Project (1996); and

WHEREAS, the project stopped shoreline degradation and produced significant increased shoreline width by using passive measures (plantings and fiber logs) at minimal cost to the Borough (The success was documented in the January 2000 report, titled “Barnegat Bay Enhancement and Restoration Project” which also included similar projects in Beachwood and Cattus Island.); and

WHEREAS, the initial data will be collected over several months by school students as volunteer projects, under parental supervision; and

WHEREAS, the long term value of the collected data dovetails with similar local initiatives feeding regional studies being considered by Stockton University for the DEP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights hereby supports measures to enhance the Borough’s shoreline and to stop further loss of valuable shoreline, and supports student initiatives to collect shoreline data which may lead to future grants to protect our shoreline.

Mayor Silver explained to Council President Berglund that his resolution 2017-72, which relates to this resolution, is only getting permit work done by Maser Consulting, the Borough Engineer. There will be no bulkheading or other work done. The resolution would begin the permit process for the erosion on Boy Scout Island.

Council President Berglund explained that this resolution, 2017-70, is an outgrowth of some research made available to him of work that was done on Reed’s Cove. Reed’s Cove is the cove that goes from Boy Scout Island out to Long Point. In 1996 there was a Council-supported resolution to create a living shoreline. They received a grant that allowed for remediation along a section towards the end of Long Point which involved fiber logs being staked in and some plantings. Over the course of four years, in conjunction with

work on Cattus Island and Beachwood, our section gained about 20 feet of additional sand that built up as a result of the work done on this project. Unfortunately, the project didn't have funding for maintenance. When Superstorm Sandy came, we lost all of the sand. The shoreline is back to what it was about 20 years ago.

Council President Berglund's proposal is to create a data resource of measuring what happens in the water in Long Point and at Boy Scout Island by taking measurement of high tide, low tide, storm tides, wind directions and all the different things needed for universities to take our data and go with other data sources from around the bay. This would create a better understanding of what is happening on the bay. This would make data available for grants that could be applied for in hope of being able to rehabilitate the rest of the beach or portions of the beach and bring the cove back to what it was. If this works, and the data gathered fits in with the universities doing the work, we would be able to create barriers naturally, without having to pay for engineering studies at this time.

Mayor Silver said that Maser's proposal would still need to be modified. There are drawings they still need to do. Betsy Hyle said that they would like to see this as a school project later on. Barnegat Bay Partnership is supporting this. Using the expertise, they are doing a lot of work already with many scientists on living shorelines. She said that the Mayor will never get a bulkhead on Boy Scout Island. Mayor Silver replied that the engineer misunderstood what he asked him to do previously. The Mayor wants to keep it a living shoreline and stop the erosion process by stabilizing it. The Mayor said he is for the proposal that is before the Council. However, it took seven months to get the permit to fix a piece of bulkhead at the boat ramp. So he would like to get the permit process going for stabilization as a living shoreline.

Richard Yetman, 6 Ocean Bend, asked if permits would be needed to put trap rock behind the existing concrete on Boy Scout Island. The answer was that if the rock is put in the water, it would need a permit.

Councilmember Thompson said that she went to Boy Scout Island last week and found that quite a bit of the ground has been lost. She thinks there is some urgency. She called the DEP about putting in a bulkhead and they said they would allow a vertical retaining wall. The wall would have to be at the spring high tide mark. That means it would be significantly inland and it would erode up to that point. So a significant amount of ground would be lost. This is not an attractive option. Councilmember Thompson mentioned that Maser should alter their proposal to include a living shoreline. Betsy Hyle suggested that you can't have a living shoreline without making a plan for maintenance of the shoreline which should be considered at Boy Scout Island.

Don Roberts said that Superstorm Sandy exposed the tree roots on the island. He asked that part of the plan would include putting dirt on the exposed roots.

Councilmember Snow mentioned that there were some free compressed leaf bails that could be used to prevent erosion. Mayor Silver said that anything that is done in the water needs a permit.

Councilmember Thompson asked to change the part of Resolution 2017-70 that says "studies were being conducted by Stockton" to "studies are being considered." Betsy Hyle agreed since they are looking for university support but don't as yet have it. Betsy Hyle said that she will be back before Council when they have fleshed out what they will be doing.

Mayor Silver said he will clarify the Borough's intentions with Maser and have them draft another proposal.

Roll call was taken on the resolution as amended by Councilmember Thompson.

Roll Call

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Asay	X			
		Bendel	X			
		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
X		Thompson	X			
	X	Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

Resolution 2017-71 Approving Armando Riccio, Esq. as Labor Counsel for CY 2017

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING ARMANDO RICCIO, ESQ. AS
LABOR COUNSEL FOR CY 2017

WHEREAS, Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et. seq., authorizes the award of contracts without competitive bids, for a term of 24 months, in circumstances where the contract does not exceed the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, et. seq., authorizes the award of “Professional Contracts” without competitive bids, for a term of 12 months, in circumstances where the contract exceeds the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i), requires a statement of supporting reasons as set forth herein; one publication in the official newspaper stating the nature, duration, services, and amount; and that such contract remain available for inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Mayor and Council previously awarded the Labor Counsel contract to Armando Riccio, Esq., pursuant to Resolution 2106-127, dated May 23, 2016; and

WHEREAS, there are ongoing labor matters in the Borough of Island Heights requiring the continued services of Armando Riccio, Esq.; and retention of new counsel would disrupt the continuity of ongoing matters, as well as prove financially irresponsible; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of the Borough of Island Heights to retain the services of current Labor Counsel, Armando Riccio, Esq. for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and the Acting Clerk to attest to the hiring of Armando Riccio, Esq., as Labor Counsel for CY 2017, and to publish such award as statutorily required and maintain same for inspection.

Public Comment - None

Roll Call

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		Asay	X			
		Bendel	X			
	X	Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

Resolution 2017-72 Accepting Proposal for Professional Services for Boy Scout Island Beachfront Protection by Maser Consulting, P.A.

Public Comment - None

MOTION MADE TO TABLE THIS ITEM PENDING FURTHER INFORMATION.

Roll Call

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		Asay	X			
	X	Bendel	X			
		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

Resolution 2017-73 Appointing NW Financial Group, LLC for Continuing Disclosure Services for 2017.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS,
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
APPOINTING NW FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC FOR
CONTINUING DISCLOSURE SERVICES FOR 2017**

WHEREAS, the Securities and Exchange Commission implemented the Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation (MCDC) Initiative, on March 10, 2014, addressed alleged widespread violations of the federal securities laws by municipal issuers and underwriters relating to disclosures and bond offering; and

WHEREAS, municipalities which self-report through the MCDC Initiative to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) receive recommended favorable settlement terms from the SEC in the event of violations; and

WHEREAS, NW Financial Group, LLC, is a registered Municipal Financial Advisor currently serving municipalities, counties, and authorities in New Jersey and wishes to provide ongoing monitoring and continuing disclosure services to the Borough of Island Heights; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Island Height wishes to remain in compliance with all federal rules and act in sound financial manner; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3, the purchasing agent of the Borough of Island Heights is authorized to award a similarly termed contract under Ordinance or Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That NW Financial Group, LLC will be appointed for Continuing Disclosure Services for the Borough of Island Heights with compensation of a flat fee of \$2,000.
2. That NW Financial Group, LLC will be named the Borough of Island Heights Financial Advisor of record.
3. The appointment is effective immediately and last through December 31, 2017.

Public Comment - None

Roll Call

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
	X	Asay	X			
		Bendel	X			
X		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

7. BILL LIST

Public Comment – No Comment

Roll Call

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Asay	X			
		Bendel	X			
X		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
	X	Thompson	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

8. PURCHASE ORDERS

A. Approving the Following Purchase Order:

Vendor: Pashman Stein Walder Hayden, P.C.

Item: Settlement payment in the matter of Richard Rivera and Gwenda R. Davis, vs.

Borough of Island Heights
Amount: \$1,750.00

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Asay	X			
		Bendel	X			
X		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
	X	Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

- B. Approving the Following Purchase Order:
Vendor: SENSUS
Item: Software Support for Reading Meters
Amount: \$1,715.95

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Asay	X			
	X	Bendel	X			
X		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

- C. Approving the Following Purchase Order:
Vendor: Edmunds & Associates
Item: SS Tax Collection, SS Financial Accounting, SS Utility Billing
Amount: \$7,829.00

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Asay	X			
		Bendel	X			
X		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
	X	Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

- D. Approving the Following Purchase Order:
Vendor: AC Schultes
Item: New Water Pump Motor for Well Number 9
Amount: \$8,400.00

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
	X	Asay	X			

		Bendel	X			
X		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Silver	X			

9. ITEM FOR DISCUSSION

A. Airbnb Ordinance

Mayor Silver referred to the Toms River Airbnb ordinance which says short term rentals are prohibited. No dwelling or segment may be rented or leased for a term of less than 30 days, except on the Barrier Island. Councilmember Asay said he has read Toms River’s ordinance and he has read in the newspaper they are already looking to amend the ordinance because they have been threatened with litigation. Airbnb has litigated in a number of communities and they have deep pockets. This is not something that Councilmember Asay wants to litigate.

Councilmember Asay would like to impose a 7% occupancy tax for rentals that are less than 30 days in the Borough. The Borough Attorney has said that it can be done. Airbnb and other providers would collect the tax for the Borough. There are parts of the situation that would need to be regulated and some parts outlawed. Revenue could be generated at no cost to the Borough but there needs to be regulations.

Mayor Silver said that there would need to be a registration process and inspections. Councilmember Asay said multiple ordinances would need to be amended, as some are already in conflict. He thinks a tax is the best way to go.

Councilmember Snow asked who would oversee if the Airbnbs are up to code? The answer was that the Code Enforcement Officer would be responsible for seeing that all buildings were compliant. Councilmember Asay suggested that the home must be owner-occupied, which would avoid flop houses. He said that we could extract some good ideas from Toms River’s Ordinance.

Councilmember Thompson said she doesn’t want to see the Borough get into litigation with Airbnb but this is a quality of life issue. She wouldn’t be very happy if this was a residence next to her. She thinks a lot of people who live in residential areas do not expect this type of abuse to occur next to them. She thinks that the Borough needs to find a solution that discourages or prohibits this type of use. She does not think this is an appropriate thing for a residential town like Island Heights. Mayor Silver said it is going on right now. Councilmember Thompson said that the Borough is very challenged as far as code enforcement right now and this would require a full time code enforcement position to deal with it. She would like to have further discussions regarding this.

Councilmember Bendel asked if there were complaints regarding that actual Airbnb that have actually been rented. Several Council members answered that there have been complaints of noise, traffic and people coming and going.

B. Farmers Market Ordinance

Councilmember Wudzki said that the Acting Borough Clerk reached out to the surrounding towns that have farmers' markets run by the town and found that none actually have ordinances to govern their fees. Most are done through a fee schedule in the recreation departments. There are examples of vendor application forms. Councilmember Wudzki suggested taking the best parts of those applications to make up one for the Borough. The applications have the requirements for food establishments and health department and liability.

Councilmember Wudzki spoke with Lt. Arnold of the Police Department who said that he could have his staff walk through the area periodically to monitor the farmers' market.

Mayor Silver asked the Borough Attorney if an ordinance should be established. Michael O'Connell, Borough Attorney, said that with the time constraints, a resolution would be best. The Borough does a lot of things with fees by resolution.

Councilmember Wudzki commented that we have a lot of good examples from other towns, but we need to remain flexible as we go along so we can shift things as we see how it works and what the flow is. A resolution gives the Borough leeway throughout the summer to work things out.

Also, Councilmember Wudzki would like additional fees to be included in a fee schedule, maybe for next year, to establish fees for Summit Avenue Beach, Camp Meeting grounds and other Borough spaces that do not currently have usage fees.

Mayor Silver asked how each member of the Council felt about the Farmers' Market. Councilmember Thompsons asked who will actually be taking the applications, lay out the area, and make sure it is clean? Councilmember Wudzki said the applications would go through Borough offices to make sure insurance and permits are verified. Councilmember Wudzki said she is the type of person who would personally be there running it. She would make the commitment to be there and get it off the ground, build up a volunteer base and run it.

Councilmember Snow asked if there was any feeling from the public that there might be some neighbors who might complain about a Farmers' Market. Mayor Silver said that the size of the market would be limited.

Don Roberts asked if there would be vendors preparing food or just selling produce? Councilmember Wudzki said that vendors would be selling produce, but she has also looked at possibly having food trucks and maybe some seafood items. A mixture of things works best for drawing people in. Mayor Silver said he wants to limit the footprint. He doesn't want it the size of a flea market or as big as Sailfest.

Betsy Hyle said that she goes to a lot of the surrounding Farmers' Markets and most vendors will say that one afternoon a week is not going to make them enough money to come out for something like that. So we won't get the 'junky' stuff.

Councilmember Wudzki said that Monday seems to be a good day for people to go to a Farmers' Market because there aren't many operating on that day. The best hours seem to be evenings, maybe from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. She also noted that, at peak season, very successful Farmers' Markets usually have 8 to 10 vendors. There is a system to picking the vendors to ensure you have a good variety.

Mayor Silver said that he would like to get this started in July. Lt. Arnold pointed out that port-o-johns would be needed.

Councilmember Wudzki addressed the fee range which would be charged to vendors. She said the highest fee she has seen for a food truck was \$100.00. Food trucks at Farmers' Markets are not charged as much as at other events. She believes a \$25 to \$100 charge would be adequate for vendors and food trucks.

Councilman Bendel suggested starting out at a low fee and increasing the fee if it is successful.

Councilmember Wudzki suggested that charging a lower cost, around \$25, the first 4 weeks in order to provide an incentive for the vendors to commit to the Farmers' Market. Lt. Arnold suggested stipulating the vendors permit for the Farmers' Market will be different than a vendors' permit to solicit in the entire town.

10. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Asay reported that he spoke to the Borough Engineer to prepare a proposal for engineering services to fix the second floor of the pavilion. This will make use of the \$30,000 in Shore Access Improvement Funds that the Borough has in an account. He will provide the proposal as soon as he can.

Councilmember Asay commented on the Purchase Order for SENSUS software for meter reading. Currently when water meters fail they bring them back to the Public Works shop and bench repair them. A repair kit is obtained by the manufacturer and the meter is repaired at the shop. When the next meter fails, there is a meter waiting at the shop that has been repaired. They use a repaired meter to replace the meter that has failed. He said we are just recycling the same meter equipment. It is economical but we are now 3 or 4 generations behind what is state-of-the-art in water meters.

Councilmember Asay referenced a page from the SENSUS website regarding their latest water meter that can do several things. It can report water use to a monitoring station and you can go grab the data from the monitoring station. It can report the data over a wireless network directly to you. You can turn customers water on and off remotely. Currently public works employees are sent around town to turn water on and off when people don't pay. The new meters can also alert you to scenarios such as when people's water is running constantly. The meter would alert the Borough that it is happening.

When Councilmember Asay spoke to the Chief Financial Officer about these meters, she said that it could be addressed as an operating cost by buying a few new meters and replacing the old ones over time. Another option, if there would be significant savings, would be a capital water and sewer project and just replace all of the meters. It would be a matter of deciding what the efficiency would be. You would need to quantify what the savings would be if no one had to go around and read meters and turn them on and off. Councilmember Asay said he wanted this on everyone's radar.

Councilmember Asay reported on an Asbury Park Press article about Ryan Donnelly, who was in the Special Forces, United States Navy, who unfortunately got into drugs and fell on hard times. Years later he got himself back up on his feet and a local filmmaker made a documentary about Mr. Donnelly's struggle to get himself back on his feet. One of the ways he decided to get back on his feet was by running 184 miles across New Jersey with his friends. The documentary has been shown at film festivals and is on YouTube. It is called "Running the 184." The article had a still photo from the film depicting the Island Heights Pavilion. Some of the documentary was filmed in Island Heights. Councilmember Asay suggested seeing

the film. Council President Berglund said his daughter was filmed in the same spot at the pavilion for the same movie.

Councilmember Bendel has no report.

Council President Berglund reported that there was an incident collecting recycling. One of the local establishments put in materials that were illegal and couldn't be recycled. It was plate glass and it was so sharp it cut through one of our employee's gloves and injured him. There was a police incident report written about it. The Borough needs to be more vigilant in policing the recycling rules. Incidents like this will go away, hopefully, as the rules become enforced.

Council President Berglund reported that services are now being installed to the homes on Jaynes Avenue. We are well on our way to making our mid-May time frame for releasing the street to be paved.

15 Simpson Avenue had some problems with a reoccurring root problem with clogs and backups. Council President Berglund would like to speak with the Mayor to see if we are financially capable of getting the Borough Engineer to get a plastic sleeve and blowing it up inside the pipe where it is clogged, instead of replacing the sewer and installing new pipes.

Councilmember Wudzki reported that Island Heights and Central Regional have their school budget hearings coming up. Island Heights' is Wednesday, May 3rd at 7:00 p.m. Central Regional's is Thursday, April 27th at 7:00 p.m. She did speak to Central Regional's liaison, Sue Cowdrick, and there may be a decrease from Central Regional.

Councilmember Wudzki also wanted to report that she was very pleased with Vollers Construction Company. Her family had a tree that was very dear to them and it was about 1 ½ feet from where the water connection is. They worked very hard to save their tree. It meant a lot to her children and she is very grateful to them.

Councilmember Thompson clarified that revaluation was put out to bid, but now she understands that there will be a reassessment conducted instead of a revaluation. A reassessment will move along more quickly because the County will not be involved approving tax maps.

Councilmember Bendel asked how it changed. The Acting Borough Clerk explained that the County originally ordered a revaluation. However, the County told the Assessor that she could apply for a reassessment, which she did. The County approved the request and the Borough now only needs to do a reassessment.

Councilmember Thompson says a reassessment will be less expensive. There are also legacy problems with assessments that currently exist, so some of the inequitable things will be straightened out by this reassessment.

Councilmember Thompson mentioned a flyer that the Camp Meeting Ground group put together. They are applying for a \$50,000 grant to USA Today. Go to ACT.USATODAY.COM and vote for them. You can vote once every day from as many email accounts as you have through May 12th.



WE NEED YOU TO VOTE!

- **HELP 'CMRA' WIN A \$50,000 GRANT**
- **TO CONTINUE CAMP MTG. GROUND RESTORATION**
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- **TYPE IN 'ISLAND HEIGHTS CAMP MEETING'**
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- **TELL ALL YOUR FRIENDS, PUT IT ON FACEBOOK, TWITTER IT....**
- **SHOW THEM ISLAND HEIGHTS HAS THE POWER TO WIN !!!**

Councilmember Thompson discussed zoning enforcement with the Mayor. One of the problems in Island Heights is derelict vehicles on private property. This includes watercrafts. We need to enforce ordinances on the book regarding this. There are many watercrafts in Island Heights. The operable ones are fine. The problem begins when they are left to rot. They are a blight on the neighborhood. The police department will be utilizing their tools to get enforcement done.

Councilmember Snow reported that the website has one more detail that needs to be ironed out before the contract award and the new website is built. Her understanding is the old website will be kept up and maintained until the new website is tested and any changes are made.

Councilmember Snow reported that she received a letter regarding a tour of the Ocean County Recycling Center on April 29th. The recycling coordinators meeting in May is also offering a tour. One way or another she will be getting to the recycling center to do a tour. Council President Berglund and Councilmember Bendel are doing the April 29th tour. Councilmember Asay asked to be supplied the meeting date in May.

Councilmember Snow is working to get the summer recreation program together. It will be slightly shorter. The same individual should be running the program for sports.

Councilmember Snow also reported that the sunrise service for the Methodist Church was extremely well attended. There were at least 82 people in attendance, which is one of the largest services they have had.

Councilmember Snow commented that we are getting more requests for weddings at the Camp Meeting Grounds so we will be looking into adding fees to use the grounds as well as Summit Avenue Beach and Boy Scout Island.

Mayor Silver asked Councilmember Snow about reducing the summer recreation program to once a week. Councilmember Snow said that she was looking at cutting it down from 6 weeks to 4 weeks. Also, it would be from Monday through Thursday, eliminating Friday, but it could be less than that. The program would start after July 4th and end in the beginning of August.

Mayor Silver asked Council President Berglund to speak to Public Works about prepping the lifeguard stand. It is in bad structural condition, so it needs to be rebuilt, reinforced or a new one made. The pipe needs to be larger in diameter so it can hold a 9 foot umbrella.

Mayor Silver reported that he had some proofs made up for the main sign coming into the municipal complex. It will have the address on it and the zip code. He will have another sign with arrows pointing to the police department, municipal court, borough offices and post office. Also, new post office signs with arrows were just delivered. The signs will be put throughout the town to show the way to the post office.

Mayor Silver spoke about working with a resident in town about crafting a flag for Island Heights. He was interested in coming up with a silhouette flag encompassing the waterfront, pavilion and shoreline. He also mentioned that there is a current community logo with a triangle and a different logo with a sailboat and stars on it. Councilmember Bendel said it was a nice logo developed by someone in the Borough. However, a resident came and advised that the current logo with the triangle was the result of contest in town to design a Borough Logo. Everyone had participated in deciding that this was the Borough's logo and she strongly objected to throwing it out and using a new one. Mayor Silver said he would like to get some feedback about a new community logo.

Councilmember Thompson asked if the sign coming into Wanamaker Complex would be a carved, wood, sign. Mayor Silver said it wouldn't be carved but it would be three dimensional with the letters placed on top of composite board.

11. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Lt. Arnold said that an extended barrier would be needed to prevent people from driving into the water at Boy Scout Island.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR CONTRACT AND PERSONNEL MATTERS AT 8:43 P.M.

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Roll call to go into closed session:

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Asay	X			
	X	Bendel	X			
X		Berglund	X			
		Snow	X			

