

Mayor and Council Newsletter

Borough of Island Heights
Council Meeting
October 9, 2012
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Agenda items are listed in the order that they were acted upon. Each agenda item is summarized. The mayor and/or council member familiar with the action is listed along with a telephone number.

*Mayor – Jim Biggs - Present
Council President - Jeffrey B. Silver – Present
Council Members present: John Bendel, Greg Heizler, Peter Kier, Joe Rogalski and Brian Taboada
Council members absent: None*

1. Second reading and adoption Ordinance 2012 - 06 entitled, ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER XVI (WATER AND SEWER) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH TO REVISE THE WATER AND SEWER RATE SCHEDULE FOR VARIOUS FEES AND CHARGES AND THE COLLECTION THEREOF.

2. Public Hearing Ordinance 2012 – 06.

Summary: After the public hearing on ordinance 2012 – 06, with two (2) no votes the Mayor and Council Members approved an ordinance amending Chapter XVI (water and sewer) of the code of the Borough to revise the water and sewer rate schedule for various fees and charges and the collection thereof. For details contact: Louis Palazzo – Chief Financial Officer (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

3. Second reading and adoption Ordinance 2012 - 07 entitled, ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING ORDINANCE 2012-04 AS IT AFFECTS CHAPTER XIX ENTITLED, "PARKS, RECREATION AREAS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES."

4. Public Hearing Ordinance 2012 – 07.

Summary: After the public hearing on ordinance 2012 – 07, the Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved amending ordinance 2012-04 as it affects Chapter XIX entitled, "Parks, Recreation Areas and Other Public Places." For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

5. Approve obligations chargeable to the 2012 operating budget as presented.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved the obligations chargeable to the 2012 operating budgets. For details contact: Louis Palazzo – Chief Financial Officer (732) 270-6415, Greg Heizler - Council Member Liaison, John Bendel – Council Member Liaison

The following was acted on as a consent agenda.

6. Approve the following Purchase Order requests:

**Requesting Dept: Beaches
Vendor: Alva Plastics
Item/Service: 1000-2013 Seasonal Badges @.50=\$500.00
700-2013 Daily Badges @.50 =\$350.00
50-2013 Tennis Badges @.50=\$25.00
50-2013 Weekly Badges @.50-\$25.00
Plus shipping & handling \$915.00**

TOTAL:

**Requesting Dept: Insurance
Vendor: Summit Risk Services
Item/Service: Reimbursement due insurance per deductible (\$20,000)
Executrix of the Estate of Mary Tavares
Legal Services June 2012 through July 2012 \$735.93**

TOTAL:

**Requesting Dept: Police Vehicle Maintenance
Vendor: Motorworks
Item/Service: 10-07 Ford F150
Additional work to replace engine \$537.20**

TOTAL:

**Requesting Dept: Police Vehicle Maintenance
Vendor: Midas Auto Service Experts
Item/Service: 10-04 White Durango
Metallic Brake Pads @\$84.99
R Disc Brake Rotor @\$84.99
Metallic Brake Pads @\$84.99
R Disc Brake Rotor @\$84.99
Install @\$92.00
TOTAL: \$346.97**

TOTAL:

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved the issuance of purchase orders for all items listed above. For details on item 1 contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor; for details on items 2 contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, John Bendel – Council Member Liaison; for details on items 3 and 4 contact: Lt. Kevin Arnold (732) 270-3006, Jeff Silver – Council President Liaison

7. Approve the following:

**Raffle license: R2012 – 09
Applicant: Island Heights PTO
DOE: November 6, 2012**

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved raffle license R2012 – 09 for the Island Heights PTO; date of event is November 6, 2012. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

8. Adopt Resolution 2012 – 58 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved a resolution to enter into executive session. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

Liaison Reports

Council Member John Bendel had no report.
Council Member Greg Heizler had no report.
Council Member Peter Kier reported that the Recreation Committee **Annual Bonfire** shall be held on October 20, 2012.

Council Member Joe Rogalski on behalf of the Police Department, the **annual Halloween 8:00 PM curfew will be in effect October 29, 2012 through October 31, 2012.**

Council President Jeffrey B. Silver reported that the hold up for **demolition of our old Fire House aka String Band Building** is the State of New Jersey requesting another independent inspection for hazardous material. Once we have the all clear from the State the structure will come down. All parties are standing by to do so.

Council Member Brian Taboada reported that new grass has been planted at **Long Point** and we ask residents to please stay off the seeded area for the next few weeks and allow the grass to grow.

Privilege of the Floor

These subjects were discussed during Privilege of the Floor, for additional details please see the approved minutes retained by Borough Clerk.

- Public Works facility and the surrounding area
- Recycling asphalt that is being stored in front of the borough garage
- Clothes line
- Garden Avenue roadway
- River Avenue boardwalk
- Boardwalk “carry on carry off” program for garbage

Other Borough Actions

Approve Single Stream Recycling as of Wednesday, November 7, 2012.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved single stream recycling as of Wednesday, November 7, 2012. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

Approve the payment to Mr. Marczak for a rental car in the amount not to exceed \$40.00 per day for four days for a mid-size vehicle.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved a payment to Mr. Marczak for a rental car in the amount not to exceed \$40.00 per day for four days for a mid-size vehicle. Mr. Marczak’s car was damaged by a public works vehicle. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

Approve the Stipulation of Settlement which resulted from a direct appeal to the New Jersey Tax Court of the 2011 and 2012 property tax assessment for block 56, lot 6. The settlement results in a reduction of the total assessment value (both land and improvements) of \$250,000.

Summary: With three (3) abstentions, the Mayor and council Members approved the stipulation of settlement which resulted from a direct tax appeal to the New Jersey Tax Court of the 2011 and 2012 property tax assessment for block 56, lot 6. The settlement results in a reduction of the total assessment value (both land and improvements) of \$250,000. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

Approve the proposal from Nextel to terminate the cell tower lease agreement as of December 7, 2012, with a payout of \$10,000. for the abandoned equipment, contingent upon the removal costs not to exceed \$5,000.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved a Nextel proposal to terminate the cell tower lease agreement as of December 7, 2012, with a payout of \$10,000. for the abandoned equipment; contingent upon the removal costs not to exceed \$5,000.00. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

Other Items of Interest

□ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.

□ The **Island Heights Annual Halloween Parade** shall be held on Saturday, October 27, 2012 at 10:00 AM; Letter Park, Ocean Avenue, and River Avenue. Please note, all children must be accompanied by an adult. The rain date is scheduled for Sunday, October 28, 2012 at 1:00 PM.

□ The **Island Heights Recreation Committee** regularly scheduled meeting is Monday, October 29, 2012 at 7:30 PM held at the borough hall.

The Municipal Clerk’s Office, Tax Collector & Water/Sewer Office, Finance & Purchasing, are open Monday – Friday 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM and Monday evening 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Building & Fire Departments, Tax Assessor and Municipal Court are open Monday evening 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Please call the borough hall at (732) 270-6415 for days and times of offices not listed above.

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Council President Jeff Silver
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Mayors’ Corner....

Mayor Biggs announced that the borough will be implementing **single stream recycling** starting on Wednesday, November 7, 2012.