

Mayor and Council Newsletter

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Official Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights was called to order by Mayor Silver. Mayor Silver 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 appeared in the Asbury Park Press on December 20, 2014 notice is also posted on the bulletin board and in the municipal building.

After the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence roll call was taken.

Council President Asay	Present	Councilmember Snow	Present
Councilmember Bendel	Present	Councilmember Thompson	Present
Councilmember Berglund	Present	Mayor Silver	Present
Councilmember Pillion	Present	Attorney O'Connell	Present

Betsy Hyle introduced the new librarian Christine Maloney. Ms. Maloney explained the different programs and resources that are available at the Library and how helpful the Friends of the Library are with raising money to provide items that are needed.

Mayor Silver read the Proclamations for Friends of Libraries Week; National Health Education Week October 19-23; Month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness; Month of October as National Breast Cancer Awareness and the Week of October 23-31 as Red Ribbon Week. A Motion was made to accept these Proclamations by Mr. Bendel second by Mr. Berglund. Unanimous Voice Vote.

Motion to approve the minutes from September 8, 2015; Resolution 2015-98 was made by Mr. Asay second by Mr. Bendel.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Motion to approve the minutes from September 22, 2015 both Regular and Executive Session; Resolution 2015-99 was made by Mr. Asay second by Mr. Bendel.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Abstain	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Public Hearing for second reading of Ordinance 15-10, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 12 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE" was opened on a motion by Mr. Asay second by Mr. Pillion. Unanimous Voice Vote.

Mr. Platt asked what exactly the change to this ordinance is. Mayor Silver stated that they are removing the Appeals Board section.

Motion to close the Public Hearing for Ordinance 15-10 was made by Mr. Bendel second by Mr. Asay. Unanimous Voice Vote.

Motion to approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance 15-10 was made by Ms. Thompson second by Mr. Asay.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Mr. Asay stated that Resolution 2015-100, Certifying Review of the 2015 Best Practices Checklist, that he was emailed but he had questions and some items were not completed. Mr. Pillion agreed that the Council was not fully informed on this issue. Ms. Thompson felt that it should be tabled until the next meeting. Motion to table Resolution 2015-100 was made by Ms. Thompson second by Mr. Asay. Unanimous Voice Vote.

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-101, Authorizing the Solicitation of Request for Professionals for 2016 was made by Mr. Bendel second by Mr. Asay. Mr. Pillion had two changes to the actual RFP's; one was to change the wording of benefits to clarify exactly what they were and the second was to change the wording from annual salary to hourly salary.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-102, Authorizing the hiring of Gary Dye and Jennifer Wainwright as permanent part-time employees, not to exceed 28 hours a week effective September 27, 2015, at a rate of \$12.50/hour was made by Mr. Asay second by Mr. Berglund.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-103 Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement, Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Program was made by Mr. Asay second by Mr. Bendel. Lt. Arnold explained that this allows Island Heights Police Officers to go and work at DUI checkpoints outside of town such as Route 37 or Fischer Blvd. to aid the County. Mr. MacNeal asked if there is any expense to the Borough. Lt. Arnold said it is covered by the County. Ms. Thompson asked if this is in addition to hours worked at the Borough and not OT. Lt. Arnold said yes it is paid for out of the DDEF Fund and there is no disruption to the Police Department Schedule.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-104, Raffle License #2015-08 for the Island Heights Grade School PTO date of event is November 3, 2105 was made by Mr. Asay second by Ms. Snow.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-105, Authorizing a Dedication by Rider for Donations – Wanamaker Playground (Construction and Maintenance) as required by NJS 40A:5-29 was made by Mr. Asay second by Mr. Berglund. Mr. DeFonzo asked who is the Director of Local Finance and Mr. Asay explained that is was at the State level in the Division of Local Government Services. Ms. Thompson asked if this will comply with all insurance regulations and Mayor Silver said yes.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-108 to increase the Schedule C allocation by \$15,000 was made by Mr. Asay second by Mr. Pillion.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-106 a Purchase Order Request for G.P. Jager & Associates for 71629 Longza Constant Chlor Briquettes 50# Pail in the amount of \$2,857.44 was made by Mr. Berglund second by Mr. Asay. Mr. MacNeal asked if they could not find a cheaper vender. Mayor Silver explained that due to the warranty we had to go with this specific briquette but now that the warranty is done we will be looking for a cheaper vendor. Mr. MacNeal asked if the bid threshold is being followed. Mayor Silver said yes that in this case it is a sole source due to the warranty.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-109, October 13, 2015 Bill List was made by Mr. Asay second by Mr. Berglund.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Committee Reports

Mr. Bendel had none.

Mr. Berglund stated that they would need to research the bidding of Jaynes Ave. process since we only have two meetings left to get the Resolution done. Further discussion was held on whether or not the money needed to be in the 2015 budget in order to go to bid.

Mr. Asay stated that he spoke to Toms River Code Enforcement regarding the bulkhead by Dillon's Creek which Gilford Park Yacht Club has signed a contract with a contractor and have submitted the permits to get the work done hopefully by the spring.

Mayor Silver stated that the paving for Simpson Avenue from Ocean to River Avenue's will start on October 15th, 2015. Mr. MacNeal asked how far down on Simpson it will go. Mr. Berglund stated it would stop about 20-30 feet from the new fire hydrant. Mayor Silver said the next project will be the area that floods down there with the raising of the road and boardwalk.

Mr. Pillion stated that the Island Heights Fire Dept. had a successful 50/50 with both winners being local residents of Island Heights; first place to Nick Durovich and second to Linda Palladino. Mr. Pillion said that the EOC had a successful live FEMA exercise on September 29, 2015 regarding an attack on the Power Plant. Mr. Platt stated that they do exercises every year in September with the State Police and every other year it is with FEMA.

Ms. Snow stated that the school referendum did not pass and encourages everyone to attend the next Board of Education meeting to see how they are going to proceed. Ms. Snow reminded everyone that the fundraiser Spaghetti Dinner is November 3, 2015, 4:30PM-7:30PM at the Island Heights Grade School Gymnasium to benefit the 6th Grade Class Trip. Ms. Snow said she is still waiting to hear if the PTO will be doing the Trunk or Treat here at the parking lot.

Mayor Silver stated that assistance should be given to the School to find funding from alternate sources such as other grants similar to the ones in the Asbury Park Press article. Melissa Wudzki of 108 Jaynes Ave. explained that those grants in the article are the same as the one that they had received but due to the referendum not passing will not be receiving. Mayor Silver said CDBG is also available to schools and Ms. Hyle has volunteered to help research for other grants and monies. Ms. Thompson stated that after the tour of the school there are improvements that are needed and some classes have the smell of mold. It would be productive to find other sources of funding.

Ms. Thompson asked residents to be mindful to keep storm drains clear since it is Fall and there are many leaves falling. It complicates flooding issues when the storm drains are blocked.

Privilege of the Floor:

Ms. Wudzki stated that she thought she would be too late to get permission to have the Trunk or Treat which is sponsored by the PTO.

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-110 allowing Trunk or Treat in the municipal parking lot the last week of October was made by Mr. Asay second by Mr. Pillion. Unanimous Voice Vote.

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-111 to enter into Executive Session for contractual discussion was made by Mr. Asay second by Ms. Thompson.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Asay	Yes	Ms. Snow	Yes
Mr. Bendel	Yes	Ms. Thompson	Yes
Mr. Berglund	Yes	Mayor Silver	Yes
Mr. Pillion	Yes		

Motion to enter the regular meeting was made by Mr. Asay second by Mr. Bendel. Unanimous Voice Vote.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Bendel second by Mr. Berglund. Unanimous Voice Vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy J. Prior, Deputy Clerk

Items of Interest:

- ❑ **All borough offices** will be **closed** on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 in observance of Election Day.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Planning Board** regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 6:30 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Board of Health** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 9:00 AM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ **All borough offices** will be **closed** on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 in observance of Veterans Day.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Board of Education** regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at 6:15 PM held at the Island Heights Grade School, 115 Summit Avenue, Island Heights.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Environmental Committee** regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 18, 2015 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Central Regional School Board** regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, November 19, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Board of Education building, Forest Hills Parkway, Bayville.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, November 24, 2015 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ **All borough offices** will be **closed** on Thursday, November 26, 2015 and Friday, November 27, 2015 in observance of Thanksgiving
- ❑ The **Island Heights Board of Health** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 9:00 AM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Board of Education** regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 6:15 PM held at the Island Heights Grade School, 115 Summit Avenue, Island Heights.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Central Regional School Board** regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, December 17, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Board of Education building, Forest Hills Parkway, Bayville.
- ❑ **All borough offices** will be **closed** on Friday, December 25, 2015 in observance of Christmas.

The Municipal Clerk's Office, Tax Collector & Water/Sewer Office, are open Monday – Friday 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM and Monday evening 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Finance & Purchasing are open Wednesday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Building Department & Fire Official, 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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