

Mayor and Council Newsletter

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Council Meeting

November 28, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights was 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.

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENTATIONS

Tanara Hall of the IH Environmental Committee and Green Team presented a brief overview of a Sustainable Jersey initiative entitled, *Island Heights Goes Wild*. This initiative requests homeowners to enhance their natural environment, encouraging participation with the National Wildlife Federation. Each homeowner would receive a certificate as a National Wildlife Federation Habitat home, and if a certain amount of homes in Island Heights achieve this, then the Borough would be listed as a National Wildlife Federation Habitat Community.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Resolution 2017-194 Approving Council Minutes of November 8, 2017

ASK FOR MOTION TO TABLE

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

APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Silver appointed Kara Lovell and Maureen DeSanto to the Recreation Committee

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 2017- 5

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2005-08, 2006 – 11A, 2007 – 03, 2013-05 AND 2015-05, FIXING AND DETERMINING ANNUAL SALARY AND HOURLY WAGE OF CERTAIN OFFICERS OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS. (Second Reading)

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: 1ST: Berglund 2ND: Snow

No comments

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING :1ST: Bendel 2ND: Berglund

Motion to approve ordinance 2017-5

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

ORDINANCE 2017-6

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, REGULATING THE GROWTH OF VEGETATION, PLANTS, AND NON-INDIGENOUS GRASSES BEYOND THE PROPERTY LINE AND AMENDING CHAPTER XII, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES (Second Reading)

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: 1ST: Bendel 2ND: Snow

Mary Judge, 225 Van Sant Ave: requested an explanation of the ordinance.

Councilwoman Snow stated that this was created for a more generalized and simplified ordinance, to cover most of the property maintenance so that what may be considered invasive may not be considered presently, but may be in the future. This ordinance addresses this issue in more general terms for any future potential changes in plant species.

Mayor Silver: any vegetation not kept in-check will be monitored by zoning and code enforcement.

Councilwoman Thompson: We encourage residents to speak with their neighbors if there is a problem, before contacting the Borough to handle these issues.

Brian Gabriel, 185 Summit: Expressed hesitation on the ordinance, questioning the code enforcement history on property maintenance matters.

Councilman Asay: Neighbors can come and issue their own complaint.

Bob McNeil, 237 Ocean Ave: confirmed if this was in-place of the old property maintenance code.

Mayor Silver stated that the original maintenance code is still in place.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING :1ST: Bendel 2ND: Thompson

TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2017-6 :

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

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2017-186

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER BETWEEN APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS IN THE 2017 BUDGET

Roll Call

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

Motion to table both ordinances as Consent:

Resolution 2017-187

Authorizing the Hiring of Alec Mazzaccaro as a T-180 Seasonal Employee

Resolution 2017-188

Authorizing the Hiring of Daniel Conti as Full-time Department of Public Works Laborer, Effective December 1, 2017

MOTION TO TABLE

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

Resolution 2017-189 Authorizing Maser Consulting P.A to provide Professional Services for Preparation and Administration Services for the Application of Root Control Chemical Foam Into Sanitary Sewer and Laterals in the amount of \$4,750.00

Roll Call

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

Resolution 2017-190

Authorizing Maser Consulting P.A to Provide Professional Services for Cured-In-Place Pipe Lining for Simpson and Sassafras in the Amount of \$17,750.00

Public Comment

Councilwoman Thompson: Is using an engineer a requirement for this project?

Councilman Berglund: These bid specs are drafted so that the engineer and borough can use these specs for these projects going forward in the future.

Brian Gabriel confirmed with Councilman Berglund that the pipes are structurally sound for re-lining.

Roll Call

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

BILL LIST

Resolution 2017-191 Approving the November Bill List
 Public Comment
 Roll Call

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

Resolution 2017-192 Approving the Purchase of Brick from Kline Brothers
 Landscaping for Pavers at Island Heights Post Office in the
 amount of \$4,800.00
 Public Comment

Councilwoman Snow inquired if this includes installation

Mayor Silver provided an overview of the project, elaborating that this is a more expansive improvement, including outside bike rack area. He further added his yearly request to council, asking they donate a portion of their salaries for this project.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 2017-193 Authorizing the Purchase of Handheld Meter Reading
 Device from SENSUS in the amount of \$6,295.00
 Public Comment

Roll Call

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

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

COUNCIL REPORTS

BERGLUND: Leaves are still being brought to the DPW facility. Flower garden has 100 Asiatics added with perennial blooms.

ASAY : Police Department Tow Drive continues. The Fire Company painted the front doors of the bays and look great. First Aid Squad has a new, above ground oil line and abandoned the old line.

BENDEL: the Master Plan is complete, with an added element for historic preservation; other than that, there are no substantial changes.

SNOW: The Recreation Committee has increased from one to nine people. There are plans for more decorations for the Tree Lighting, and encouraged residents to take part on December 3rd at 6pm. The Environment Committee membership is increasing.

THOMPSON: During the Master Plan Hearing, there was a recommendation that the Council address the Historic Preservation elements; Camp meeting ground has beautiful new additions; stated her vote “no” on Maser was due to a lot of new work and is expensive. She further asked if there was an engineering pool to have more competition with professional services.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No comments

Motion to Adjourn: 1st: Bendel 2nd: Asay, and full Council consent.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted,

Municipal Clerk

Mayor Silver

Items of Interest:

- ❑ The **Island Heights Board of Education** regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 6:15 PM held at the Island Heights Grade School, 115 Summit Avenue, Island Heights.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Planning Board** regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Central Regional School Board** regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, December 21, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Board of Education building, Forest Hills Parkway, Bayville.
- ❑ **All municipal offices will be closed** on Monday, December 25, 2017 in observance of Christmas.
- ❑ **All municipal offices will be closed** on Monday, January 1, 2018 in observance of New Year’s.

The **Municipal Clerk’s Office, Tax Collector & Water/Sewer Office**, are open Monday – Thursday 8:00 AM until 3:00 PM (**closed Friday**) 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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