

Mayor and Council Newsletter

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Official Council Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2018

Mayor Silver opened the Council Meeting of January 23, 2018, and read the following notice: 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 November 16, 2017 and was also posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.

Mayor Silver led the Pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

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

Appointments

Mayor Silver appointed Christine Gabriel to the Recreation Committee.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Resolution 2018-17

Approving Council Minutes of January 2nd, 2018 Reorganization and Regular Meetings as amended.

Public Comment:

Councilman Gabriel asked if Councilwoman Thompson's request to revisit the Council assignments, was correct since that is not what he recalls.

Councilwoman Thompson confirmed her statement of wishing to revisit the assignments.

Roll Call

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

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2018-18 Authorizing Payment Application No.4/Final for Jaynes, River and Lake Avenue Water & Sanitary Sewer Improvements

Public Comment:

Jim Jablonski, 227 Ocean Avenue, asked about the cost of improvements.

Mayor Silver stated the improvements cost \$11,777.41, and the Borough saved over \$105,000, and that money will be utilized on one of the next water-sewer projects.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 2018-19 Awarding a Contract for Root control herbicide throughout approximately 3,850 linear feet of main and 57 sanitary sewer laterals in the Borough of Island Heights to Dukes Root Control, Inc. 1020 Hiawatha Boulevard West, Syracuse, New York 13204, in the amount of \$7,580.70.

Public Comment

Mayor Silver stated that the lining is the next step in these improvements.

Council President Berglund stated this chemical starts working in a matter of hours. The connector from Simpson to Central is flat and stops the water. We designated this and other area to etch out the roots from the inside, and the herbicide should keep roots from destroying the pipe.

Councilman Gabriel confirmed with Mayor Silver that the pipes are tv'd to confirm their deterioration.

Mayor Silver responded to Councilman Asay on how long it takes to breakdown the root, by stating this starts to work within a matter of hours. It all breaks down and biodegradable. We spent about \$15,000 from Brick MUA, and this is part of the process to maintain our sanitary sewer. He anticipates this lining to last about 50 years.

Councilwoman Snow asked about the lasting of the lining in addition to pollution liability.

Mayor Silver state all vendors require insurance. The other vendor did not provide proof of insurance. As long as they provide the proper paperwork, the Borough is covered.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 2018-25 Appointing Joseph Kostecki as Municipal Registrar

Public Comment: none

Roll Call

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

Mayor Silver requested the Borough Clerk to provide a quick definition of the Registrar, and the Borough Clerk stated this position is the guardian and producer of Vital Records.

BILL LIST

Resolution 2018-20 Approving an Emergency Purchase of PSI Injection Pump and Fuel Injectors with ERS Fleet Repair in the amount of \$5,250.00

Public Comment:

Bob McNeil, 237 Ocean Avenue asked about the need for this purchase.

Mayor Silver stated that the replacement is due to age, and wear and tear.

Councilwoman Snow asked about the warranty for this.

Mayor Silver stated ERS has a 12 month warranty.

Councilwoman Thompson stated her understanding for the truck to be repaired but asked Mayor Silver what makes this an emergency?

Mayor Silver stated this was a need for emergency salting. I authorized the purchase so that funds can be allocated, and stressed the need to make funds available.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 2018-21 Approving an Emergency Purchase Order for ERS Fleet Repair for Sterling Garbage Truck Turbo Replacement in the amount of \$3,272.13

Public Comment:

Jim Jablonski, 227 Ocean Avenue, stated that the truck can run without turbo and that DPW may not need it; although it adds more power and assistance. He further asked if there was more than one bid received?

Councilman Asay stated they previously discussed selling this vehicle, however it does have some utility.

Councilwoman Snow stated this is not a heavily used truck and confirmed its usefulness with the Governing Body.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 2018-22

Authorizing the Annual Licensing Agreement of the Financial Software Application with Edmunds & Associates in the Amount not to Exceed \$7,829.00

Public Comment: none

Roll Call

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

Resolution 2018-23

Authorizing the Annual Licensing Agreement with CSI Computers LLC for 2018 Covering both Borough Officers and Police Department, in the Amount not to Exceed \$4,780.00

Public Comment:

The Governing Body amended the Resolution, authorizing the first quarter to be paid, in the amount of \$1,195, with their stated interest to possibly pursue additional quotes for IT Services.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 2018-24 Approving the Bill List for January 23, 2018

Roll Call

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

Resolution 2018-26 Authorizing the Animal Licensing Module with Edmunds & Associates in the Amount Not to Exceed \$3,500.00

Public Comment:

Bob McNeil, 237 Ocean Avenue, stated his displeasure in the cost of the licensing program due to the low amount of licensed animals in the Borough.

Jim Jablonski, 227 Ocean Avenue, asked if the Borough can send out robocalls to inform residents to license their animals.

Mayor Silver stated that robo calls are not used for this type of service, however would look into it more.

COUNCIL REPORTS

ASAY:

The Councilman joined DPW and Councilman Gabriel at the pavilion to review the project, and stated the area looks better; the benches are back and site has rewired electrical. Painting is the next phase, and the Borough will need some type of deterrent to keep the birds out. Mr. Asay stated his concern over the legal battle ensuing with Dillon’s Creek, and the need to fix the groin. Several agencies are now involved with countersuits. With regard to Park Avenue, Mr. Worthington plans to repair the end of the road and provide public access; with a meeting with his engineer in the future. Mr. Asay stated Maser Consulting conducted a speed analysis of the Borough roads to determine appropriate speed. He stated most streets list 25 mph as the appropriate speed, with a few streets slightly differing.

GABRIEL

The Councilman asked if the Borough has a long range plan to address building improvements.

Mayor Silver stated that Council President Berglund completed a three year plan, but did not address individual buildings.

Mr. Gabriel stated his interest in pursuing this and plans to speak with the Governing Body to initiate a plan for budget purposes.

Mayor Silver thanked him and stated the Borough plans on conducting an energy audit through a state program that will pay 70% of the audit; and further plan to focus on one project at a time

BERGLUND

The Borough received its latest Tax Assessor report covering the Revaluation/Reassessment, reflecting 400 homes already completed. The Council President further stated he received communication from Congressman MacAruthur’s office regarding grants. He plans to review the most recent notification on a matching cultural grant with Borough Engineer firm Grants Administrator, Kelsey Howard.

THOMPSON

Councilwoman complemented the completed work in relation to the pavilion project. The Island Heights Grade School’s next meeting is February 13th at 6:15pm. They are currently working on the budget. The Central Regional budget meeting will be on February 16th. The School also plans on a dodgeball tournament. The Councilwoman further mentioned the shellfish restriction in the area, from Island Heights to Ocean Gate.

SNOW

The Councilwoman thanked Council President Berglund for the grant information. She added that the Historic Preservation meeting went well, and was well attended in addition to being very informative. The Christmas Tree is now taken down at Camp Walk. She ended her report stated that they are looking further at IT Solutions, and welcomed information from the Borough Clerk.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mayor Silver opened the Privilege of the Floor portion of the agenda.

Ms. Kempton River, 76 Avenue, expressed a need for the Borough to monitor foul feeding, and the public’s disregard to abide by the posted signs which state to not feed the foul.

Jim Jablonski, 227 Ocean Avenue, asked if there was any chance to recoup the \$500 bill related to the trucking company.

Mayor silver stated that everything will be processed through insurance.

Resolution 2018-27 Authorizing Executive Session for Attorney-Client Privilege

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

Motion to enter back into Public Session: 1st: Gabriel 2nd: Berglund, and full Council consent.

Seeing no other questions or comments, Councilman Asay motioned to Adjourn; Seconded by Council President Berglund, and full Council consent.

ADJOURNMENT @ 9:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Borough Clerk

Mayor Silver

Items of Interest:

- ❑ The **Island Heights Planning Board** regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ **All borough offices** will be **closed** on Monday, February 12, 2018 in observance of Lincoln's Birthday.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Board of Education** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, February 13, 2018 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, February 13, 2018 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Central Regional Board of Education** re-organization meeting is Thursday, February 15, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Board of Education building, Forest Hills Parkway, Bayville.
- ❑ **All borough offices** will be **closed** on Monday, February 19, 2018 in observance of Presidents' Day .
- ❑ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 has been **canceled**.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Planning Board** regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
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- ❑ **All municipal offices will be closed** on Friday, March 30, 2018 in observance of Good Friday.

DOG & CAT LICENSES ARE TO BE RENEWED JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR

*** Proof of Current Rabies Required, Spaying/Neutering Certificate to obtain \$3.00 discount
Cat & Dog Fee: \$10.00 Proof Spayed/Neutered: \$7.00**

In addition, a Late Fee of \$5.00 will be imposed February 1 and an additional \$1.00 each month late thereafter.

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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