

Mayor and Council Newsletter

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Official Council Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights is hereby called to order. Notice of this meeting was issued in accordance with the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 (Section 10:4-10). Notice of this meeting was advertised in the Asbury Park Press on December 27, 2018 and was also posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.

Mayor Doyle proceeded to lead in the Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Doyle asked those in attendance to have a Moment of Silence in remembrance of Ray McKelvey. Mr. McKelvey was 94 years old; a lifelong resident of Island Heights, a founding member of the String Band in Island Heights, a school bus driver, very active in Borough Council, School-Board at one time, and will be sorely missed.

Mayor Doyle requested Roll Call, and the Municipal Clerk provided the following Roll Call

	Asay	Gabriel	Snow	Thompson	Weber	Wudzki	Mayor Doyle	Atty
Present	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Absent								

Mayor Doyle asked for Police Officer Dominique D'Amico-Violante to step forward. Officer D'Amico-Violante is a Member of the 106th Graduating Class of the Ocean County Police Academy and Recipient of the Police Training Commission Merit Award. Husband and son joined in the Oath of Office.

Mayor Doyle recognized Colorectal Cancer Awareness month

Mayor Doyle recognized Frank Parisi. As a local photographer, he presented the Mayor with a picture of Island Heights from his personal collection, to hang in his office.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Resolution 2019-51

Approving the Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes
 of February 19, 2019
 Motion
 Second

Roll Call Vote

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CP Asay	X			
X		Gabriel	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
	X	Weber	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Doyle	X			

ORDINANCES

The Municipal Clerk read the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 19-1

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS WATER AND SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING FOUR HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$408,000) THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$386,000) BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING THE COST THEREOF (2ND Reading)

The Municipal Clerk opened the public hearing.

Mayor Doyle stated this includes projects such as completing Maple and Sassafras.

Seeing no comments or questions, the Municipal Clerk asked for a motion to close Public Hearing.

Close Public Hearing 1st: Council President Asay; 2nd: Councilman Gabriel, and Council consent.

ROLL CALL FOR PASSAGE

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		CP Asay	X			
		Gabriel	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
	X	Weber	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Doyle	X			

The Municipal Clerk read the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE 19-2

CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS RECREATION IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY AND APPROPRIATING THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$34,500) THEREFORE (2ND Reading)

The Municipal Clerk opened the public hearing.

Mayor Doyle stated this includes projects such as completing Maple and Sassafras.

Seeing no comments or questions, the Municipal Clerk asked for a motion to close Public Hearing.

Close Public Hearing 1st Council President Asay; 2nd: Councilman Weber, and Council consent.

ROLL CALL FOR PASSAGE

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CP Asay	X			
		Gabriel	X			
	X	Snow	X			
X		Thompson	X			
		Weber	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Doyle	X			

The Municipal Clerk read the following ordinance, stating that it is by Title Only.

ORDINANCE 19-3

AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER HOUSING CODE FOR AIR BED AND BREAKFAST (By Title Only)

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		CP Asay	X			
		Gabriel	X			
		Snow	X			
	X	Thompson	X			
		Weber	X			
		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Doyle	X			

The Municipal Clerk read the following ordinance, stating that it is by Title Only.

ORDINANCE 19-4

AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 32-12, ENTITLED, PERMIT REQUIREMENT, UNDER THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS (By Title Only)

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		CP Asay	X			
		Gabriel	X			
		Snow	X			
		Thompson	X			
		Weber	X			
	X	Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Doyle	X			

The Municipal Clerk read the following ordinance, stating that it is by Title Only.

ORDINANCE 19-5

AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 12-1, ENTITLED, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS (By Title Only)

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CP Asay	X			
		Gabriel	X			
		Snow	X			
	X	Thompson	X			
		Weber	X			
X		Wudzki	X			
		Mayor Doyle	X			

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RESOLUTIONS (CONSENT AGENDA)

Resolution 2019-52

Authorizing Use Of Memorial Field on Wednesday, March to (Dan Bartlow) to AAA TRLL East Baseball Practice from 5:30pm to 7pm
 Motion: Thompson
 Second: Weber
 Council Member Discussion/Comments

- Resolution 2019-53 Save the Date Town Wide Yard Sale for 6/15 with a rain date of 6/16 (By Title Only)
Motion: Thompson
Second: Snow
Council Member Discussion/Comments
- Resolution 2019-54 Appointing Jacquelyn M. Theile to the Environmental Committee
Motion: Thompson
Second: Asay
Council Member Discussion/Comments
- Resolution 2019-56 Approving the following Purchase Order Request
Vendor: Edmunds
Amount: \$8,222.75
Motion: Thompson
Second: Asay
Council Member Discussion/Comments
- Mayor Doyle requested the Municipal Clerk to explain this program. Mr. Kostecki stated that this is the financial program the Borough uses for its operations.
- Resolution 2019-57 Approving the following Purchase Order Request
Vendor: CSI Computers
Amount: \$1,195.00
Motion: Wudzki
Second: Snow
Council Member Discussion/Comments
- Resolution 2019-58 Providing for Amendments to Temporary Appropriations Approved Prior to The Final Adoption of the 2018 Municipal Budget
Motion: Asay
Second: Thompson
Council Member Discussion/Comments
- Resolution 2019-59 Authorizing the Issuance of Estimated Property Tax Bills
Motion: Weber
Second: Snow
Council Member Discussion/Comments
- Resolution 2019-60 Authorizing Toms River Little League (Michael O'Donnell) to Utilize Memorial Field for Tuesday from 4:30-7pm
Motion: Weber
Second: Asay
Council Member Discussion/Comments
- Resolution 2019-62 Authorizing IH Fire Dept for Use of Wanamaker Field for IH Fire Department Trucktoberfest for October 12, 2019

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

Resolution 2019-61

MOTION	SECOND	NAME
		CP Asay
		Gabriel
		Snow
		Thompson
x		Weber
	x	Wudzki
		Mayor Doyle

Mayor Doyle opened the floor to the public:

Jim Jablonski, 227 Ocean Avenue

Linda Grinfield, 2 Lake Avenue requested information on yard sales.

Mayor Doyle stated to go through a process with Betsy if she would like to organize having another one.

Seeing no other questions, the Municipal Clerk proceeded with Roll Call

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CP Asay	x			
Gabriel	x			
Snow	x			
Thompson	x			
Weber	x			
Wudzki	x			
Mayor Doyle	x			

DISCUSSION & PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Barbara Parisi thanked and recognized Officer Anthony and the Fire Department for saving her life. She stated they were quick.

Mayor Doyle stated she was trapped in the Elementary School Elevator.

John Bendel, Summit Avenue, stated his pleasure with the way in which meetings are now held, and confirmed a procedural question. He requested one additional public comment prior to the final roll call.

Mayor Doyle stated that was a great idea, and that we will do that.

Council President ASay stated the ordinance was to increase a review fee from \$50 to \$100. The second was regarding the Property Maintenance Code to update from 2006. Our reference point will be to adopt a 2018 Code, if adopted.

Linda Grinfield, 2 Lake Avenue requested robo cans.

Mayor Doyle stated the Borough is looking into it. The

Linda Grinfield, 2 Lake Avenue. Stated multiple matters regarding minutes and confirmed with the Mayor, the organizational chart.

Jim Jablonski, 227 Ocean Ave, requested plastic bag collectors at Public Works, and stated the new Goodwill bin should be turned since it looks like the entrance side is on the backside. Mr. Jablonski also proposed an idea on copiers to save money.

Council Member Snow stated she and the Council are always looking for alternative recycling programs and will look into this. She further stated that this is the new E Waste container and she will go look at the container.

Mayor Doyle thanked Mr. Jablonski for his ideas and that he was knowledgeable of this topic from the corporate world.

The Municipal Clerk stated the current contract is on state contract and saves money in bulk.

Bob McNeil, 237 Ocean Avenue. Mr. McNeil stated his pleasure of the new Code reports - hats off to him. He then stated there is running water down a curb along Long Point.

Council Member Snow and Asay stated they are looking it this. They checked this out; there is no leak and that it is ground water. They are looking into the flow of the water.

He asked if the Bond ordinance was approved and if the money can be used. The expectation is to do the job in-house except for the paint, which will be contracted out. The first step is demolition, and clean up. Mr. McNeil further stated there are spots on the Schools five year plan committee and stated people should call the Secretary at the school.

Mayor Doyle asked if there were any further comments? Seeing none, he asked for a motion to close Public Comments. 1st: Gabriel 2nd: Snow, and full Governing Body consent.

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS

WUDZSKI: Stated she will be involved in the school meetings, and March 21st is the first meeting. I've been involved with the school the last 9 years and stated it was wasn't done with the community before. This was a great committee to get the community involved in the long term aspects of the school. Many of the schools are seeing reduced funding, and the Island Heights school is seeing a minimal reduction. 1.24%.

A minimal lose on State funding. Lastly, the school is having their S.T.E.A.M fair on March 28th, and is a great opportunity for youths to received volunteer hours.

WEBER: no report

THOMPSON: formally recognized Gary Stocco as the Code Enforcement Officer. She stated he is doing a great job, the communication with Mayor and Council members is excellent, it is delicate work, and it is appreciated. Secondly, negotiations proceed with the Postal Service contract. There is brokerage for negotiations, which are close to completion. It is a five year contract through 2024, and the price is driven on the commercial real estate market. They've agreed to an annual increase of 11.3%, and options for 2, 5 year renewals. Each renewal brings 5% increase. Then they typically offload their brokerage to the lease holder. They waived the commission, which was a \$10,000 savings to the town.

MAYOR DOYLE: Mayor Doyle commended Ms. Thompson on her work. He stated that April 2nd will be a regular meeting, and one in which the Borough will be introducing the budget. We have a very aggressive repair schedule in town for the next two years. Just about every building needs significant repair. We have some grants for our boardwalk, cleaning our water tower. We passed several items today on water infrastructure. The first item everyone needs to have is clean and proper drinking water.

ASAY: I was privileged to attend our new officer's Graduation Ceremony which was great. He confirmed its been 15 years since an officer in Island Heights graduated the Police Academy, and it was a great thing to see. As Spring breaks out, he asks residents have patience as repairs in town take place.

GABRIEL: Water infrastructure projects hope to start in April and be complete by summer. He hopes inconvenience will be minimal. The Borough lost a part-time employee in the Public Works garage. We hope to address this by the next meeting. There is a laundry list of things to do in the Borough. Public Works is doing a great job with the limited staff they have.

SNOW: Working with a limited staff at DPW, we have an agreement with the county to pick up our bins and take them to the County facility for processing. Council Member further encouraged everyone to attend the S.T.E.A.M fair, which is helpful for recycling information. Additionally, the website is on track to be up and running for everyone to use.

Mayor Doyle mentioned that Recreation Badges are available for purchase to use borough facilities, fields, parks, and public access space. They are \$20. If you go every week, it is .40 cents. We ask our police officers and Code Officer to enforce the rules of the town.

ADJOURNMENT @ 7:56PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph Kostecki, Borough Clerk

Edward John Doyle, Mayor

Items of Interest:

- ❑ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, April 9, 2019 has been *cancelled*.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Board of Education** regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, April 10, 2019 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, April 11, 2019 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Central Regional Board of Education** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Board of Education building, Forest Hills Parkway, Bayville.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Environmental Committee** regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, April 23, 2019 has been *cancelled*.

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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