

Mayor and Council Newsletter

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Official Council Meeting Minutes

September 1, 2020

Mayor Doyle read the following statement:

“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 (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12) Notice of this meeting was advertised in the Asbury Park Press on December 16, 2019 and was also posted on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building and on the Borough Website.”

Mayor Doyle led all in the:

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Mr. Asay conducted the:

ROLL CALL OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Council Member Baxter	Present	X	Absent_____
Council Member Gabriel	Present	X	Absent_____
Council Member Pendleton	Present	X	Absent_____
Council President Thompson	Present	X	Absent_____
Council Member Weber	Present	X	Absent_____
Council Member Wudzki	Present		Absent - Excused
Mayor Doyle	Present	X	Absent_____
Borough Attorney Mr. Zabarsky	Present	X	Absent_____

Mayor Doyle entertained a Motion for:

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Resolution 2020-128 Approving the Minutes for the Meeting Conducted on August 11, 2020 (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Baxter
Second: Mr. Gabriel

Discussion/Comments: None

Voting Record:

Baxter	Gabriel	Pendleton	Thompson	Weber	Wudzki	Doyle
<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	Yes/No	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance 2020-03

An Ordinance of the Borough of Island Heights, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Island Heights Code Chapter 4 – Police Regulations – Section 4-4 - Noise

(Second Reading)

Synopsis: If adopted, this Ordinance Amendment and Supplement would prohibit noise producing construction activity and commercial landscaping activity in the Borough between the hours of 6 PM and 8 AM, Monday thru Saturday and all day on Sunday and Federal Holidays.

Mayor Doyle read the following:

“The Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2020-03 is now open, any persons wishing to comment please ask to be recognized and state your name for the record”

Hearing no comments on the Proposed Ordinance, Mayor Doyle entertained a Motion:

To Close Public Hearing:

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Mr. Weber

Voting Record:

Baxter	Gabriel	Pendleton	Thompson	Weber	Wudzki	Doyle
<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No	Yes/No	<u>Yes</u> /No
Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

Chapter 4, Section 4-4 of the Code of the Borough of Island Heights concerning “Noise”, shall be amended as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights, County of Ocean and State of New Jersey as follows:

NOISE

POLICE REGULATIONS

CHAPTER 4

SECTION 1. Chapter 4 of the Code of the Borough of Island Heights is hereby amended and supplemented to read as follows:

4-4.5 Operating Hours for Construction

a. The operation of any equipment used in construction, repair, alteration or demolition work on buildings, structures, streets or appurtenances thereto in residential or commercial land use zones shall be prohibited on weekdays and Saturdays between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.; and shall be prohibited from 6:00 p.m. on Saturdays through Monday mornings at 8:00 a.m.; and shall be prohibited on official national holidays except in the case of urgent necessity and in the interest of public health and safety. These construction-work hour restrictions shall be applicable to all public and private construction and commercially operated lawn and tree care and maintenance services.

b. Violations and Penalties:

1. Any person who violates any provision of this Section shall be fined for each offense not more than \$100.00.
2. Any person who willfully violates any provision of this Section shall be fined for each offense the sum of not less than \$100.00 and not more than \$1,000.00.
3. Each day a violation of any provision of this Section shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance repeals any inconsistent ordinance or ordinances or part or parts thereof.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication as required by law.

Mayor Doyle entertained a Motion:

Adopting the Ordinance as Introduced:

Motion: Ms. Thompson
 Second: Mr. Baxter

Discussion/Comments: None

Voting Record:

Baxter	Gabriel	Pendleton	Thompson	Weber	Wudzki	Doyle
<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	Yes/No	<u>Yes/No</u>
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FIRST READING: August 11, 2020

PUBLICATION: August 18, 2020

SECOND READING: September 1, 2020

PUBLICATION: September ___, 2020

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

The Ordinance published herewith was duly introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Governing Body held on August 11, 2020 in the Borough. It will be further considered for final passage, after a public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the Governing Body to be held on September 1, 2020, at 7 PM at the Island Heights Camp Meeting Ground. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk’s office located in the Island Heights Borough Hall at One Wanamaker Municipal Complex, Island Heights, New Jersey for the members of the general public who shall request the same.

Sean Asay

Borough Clerk

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

The Ordinance published herewith has been finally adopted by the Borough of Island Heights, in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, on September 1, 2020, and is effective upon the date of publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Borough Clerk’s office for members of the general public who request the same.

Sean Asay
Borough Clerk

Publication Date: September _____, 2020

Mayor Doyle introduced the:

RESOLUTIONS on the CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 2020-129 Approving a Town Wide Yard Sale to take place on September 26, 2020 (Rain Date September 27, 2020) Between the Hours of 8 AM and 2 PM with Yard Sale Permits to be Obtained from the Office of the Borough Clerk by All Participating Property Owners (By Title)

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Ms. Thompson

Discussion/Comments: None

Resolution 2020-130 Approving the Use of the Central Avenue Pavilion by Kristen Hankins for a Wedding Ceremony on September 19, 2020 Between the Hours of 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Baxter
Second: Ms. Pendleton
Discussion/Comments: None

Resolution 2020-131 Accepting the Resignation of Kyle Seehausen from the Police Department Effective on September 5, 2020 (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Weber
Second: Ms. Thompson

Discussion/Comments: Mayor Doyle commented that he is a fine officer and we are sorry to see him go.

Resolution 2020-132 Approving Lien Redemptions 16 – 00007, 16 – 00008 and 16 – 00010 for Block 38.02, Lots 10.03, 11 and 13 (175 Lake Avenue, 187 Lake Avenue and 191 Lake Avenue) payable to; Carol Baron in a total amount of \$101,238.47.

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Ms. Thompson

Discussion/Comments: None

Resolution 2020-133 Approving the Appointment of Jonathan Brodbeck as Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator

Motion: Mr. Gabriel
Second: Mr. Baxter

Discussion/Comments: Mayor Doyle commented that this position became vacant upon the retirement of Capt. Arnold and that Mr. Brodbeck has agreed to take on these duties at no additional cost to the Borough.

Mayor Doyle entertained a Motion for:

Adoption of all of the Resolutions on the Consent Agenda:

Motion: Mr. Baxter
Second: Ms. Pendleton
Discussion/Comments: None

Voting Record:

Baxter	Gabriel	Pendleton	Thompson	Weber	Wudzki	Doyle
<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	Yes/No	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

Mayor Doyle entertained a Motion to Approve the:

BILL LIST

Resolution 2020-134

Approving the Bill List

Motion: Ms. Thompson
Second: Ms. Pendleton

Discussion/Comments: None

Voting Record:

Baxter	Gabriel	Pendleton	Thompson	Weber	Wudzki	Doyle
<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	Yes/No	<u>Yes/No</u>
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Mayor Doyle opened the:

DISCUSSION & PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Linda Grinfelds – Confirmed the date of the Town Wide Yard Sale as 9/26/20, suggested that an ad be placed in the newspaper and said signs should be erected to advertise the sale. The Borough should coordinate our yard sale date with other towns in the area. Noted that she is pleased that the Construction Office is now back in the Borough.

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS

Mayor Doyle – The Mayor noted that work on River Ave. continues to improve the road surface and mitigate the flooding during storms and very high tides. Several sections of sidewalk and curbing are being replaced as well. We expect the County to complete the paving of Central Ave. (end to end) and West End Ave. (to the Highway) before winter. In 2021, the Borough plans to complete the paving of Lake Ave. and begin work on Camp Walk, Highland Ave. and

Bend. In 2022, the Borough plans to complete the paving of Bay Ave., East End Ave., Dirmitt Ave. and Thomas Ave. DPW will be working at the Memorial Playground installing new swings and a new climbing wall.

Mr. Gabriel – DPW has been busy with storm clean up and will make one more loop through town picking up yard debris. Work continues on the boardwalk replacement and installation of several new water services around the Borough as new homes are nearing completion.

Mr. Baxter – Letters are going out to owners of rental properties in the Borough advising them of the new Ordinance on short term rentals. The new Construction Office has already completed 99 inspections since July 1st and residents have commended the level of service they are providing. Recreation badges continue to sell briskly and well over 1,000 have been sold. Code Enforcement has been working with our Police and Conservation Officers to assure that sport fishing limits and size minimums are being enforced at fishing and crabbing locations throughout the Borough.

Ms. Pendleton – Many thanks to the IH Boy Scouts for the great cleanup work they did at the Camp Meeting Ground. They trimmed and weeded and spread mulch that was donated. The sprinklers are working again at Camp Meeting thanks to Mr. Brodbeck. On August 21st the Peto Museum had a free concert at the Wanamaker Field and about 200 people turned out for a beautiful evening of music; it was good for the town to get together, at a distance.

Work continues on a historical sign that will be erected on the site of the former Wanamaker Hall to explain the great history of the site. She thanked the IH Police for their program to reward youngsters who wear bike helmets.

Ms. Thompson – Commended the First Aid Squad for the heartfelt and very well attended Memorial Service for their member Stacey Spotts who passed away recently. It was her honor to have attended on behalf of the Mayor and Council. Thank you to all of our first responders who continue to protect us during these difficult times, I have such great respect for all that they do for all of us.

Our Post Office service counter is back to being open for the entire work day, no closure for lunch. Thank you to everyone who raised the issue with the Postal Service and our Representatives in Washington.

Mr. Weber – The Labor Day Races normally put on by the Fire Co. are canceled but they will be around town on Labor Day to hand out bags of peanuts. OEM is staying prepared and Mr. Platt is making sure that supplies are on hand in case COVID has a resurgence in the fall. The First Aid Squad had a recent vehicle extraction drill with our Fire Co. and other local agencies, they report receiving 127 calls for service so far this year. The PD has taken delivery of a new pickup truck that will go into the patrol rotation.

Mayor Doyle reminded everyone that help is available to those families and individuals who are having difficulty during the Health Emergency. He urged those who need help to reach out to

him, help is available and many residents have already received food and other assistance, there is no shame in asking for help, please look out for your neighbors.

He reminded everyone of the recent passing of Jon Nordheimer; he was a longtime resident and had a successful career as a reporter, editor and writer, having served in several locations as a New York Times Bureau Chief. The Mayor asked that the meeting be adjourned in his memory.

A Motion for ADJOURNMENT was made by Mr. Gabriel, second by Ms. Pendleton, adjournment was approved by a unanimous voice vote at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Sean Asay
Borough Clerk**

PLEASE CALL TO CONFIRM MEETINGS

Items of Interest:

- ❑ **All borough offices** will be **closed** on Monday, October 12, 2020 in observance of Columbus Day.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Board of Education** regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, October 14, 2020 at 6:15 PM at the Island Heights Grade School, 115 Summit Avenue, Island Heights.
- ❑ The **Central Regional Board of Education** regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Board of Education building, Forest Hills Parkway, Bayville.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Environmental Committee** regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.
- ❑ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.

AT THIS TIME PLEASE CALL TO CONFIRM OFFICE HOURS.

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; Fire Official, Construction and Municipal Court are open Monday evening 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. The Tax Assessor is available by appointment only. Please call the borough hall at (732) 270-6415 for days and times of offices not listed above.

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