

Mayor and Council Newsletter

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Official Council Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2022

MAYOR DOYLE READ THE FOLLOWING:

This Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights is Hereby Called to Order. Notice of this Meeting was Provided in Accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by Publication in the Asbury Park Press and the Star Ledger on December 15, 2021 and Notice was Also Posted on the Bulletin Board at the Municipal Building, on the Borough Television Channel and the Borough Website.

MAYOR DOYLE LED ALL IN THE:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

MAYOR DOYLE REQUESTED THE:

ROLL CALL OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL AND BOROUGH PROFESSIONALS:

Council Member Baxter	Present X	Absent_____
Council Member Fumo	Present X	Absent_____
Council Member Gabriel	Present_____	Absent X (excused)
Council Member Pendleton	Present X	Absent_____
Council President Thompson	Present X	Absent_____
Council Member Weber	Present X	Absent_____
Mayor Doyle	Present X	Absent_____
Borough Attorney Mr. Zabarsky	Present X	Absent_____

Mayor Doyle requested a moment of silence in memory of recently deceased residents of The Borough; Clark Brick and Mary Wert.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED:

**ORDINANCE 2022-07: FINAL READING
PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED ADOPTION**

AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 19 OF THE BOROUGH CODE – PARKS, RECREATION AREAS AND OTHER PUBLIC SPACES

The Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2022-07 is now open, persons who wish to be heard, please ask to be recognized and state your name for the Record.

Public Comments:

None

Motion to Close Public Hearing:

Motion: Mr. Weber
Second: Ms. Thompson

Voice Vote: Yes: Unanimous No_____

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 2022-07 as Introduced:

Motion: Mr. Weber
Second: Ms. Pendleton

Voting Record:

Mr. Baxter	Mr. Fumo	Mr. Gabriel	Ms. Pendleton	Ms. Thompson	Mr. Weber	Mayor Doyle
<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	Yes/No	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	<u>Abs.</u>	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

ORDINANCE 2022-07

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 19 OF THE BOROUGH CODE – PARKS, RECREATION AREAS AND OTHER PUBLIC SPACES

ITEMS IN BOLD AND ITALICS ARE NEW LANGUAGE

ITEMS IN [BRACKETS] ARE TO BE DELETED

§ 19-3

TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL COURTS.

§ 19-3.1

Hours of Use.

The hours of the use of the tennis *and pickleball* courts at Memorial Field shall be from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily, or as authorized by resolution of the Mayor and Council.

§ 19-3.2

[Tennis Court] *Recreation* Badges – *Daily Recreation Permits*

[Tennis court] *Recreation* badges or a *Daily Recreation Permit* [tags] to permit the use of the tennis *and pickleball* courts must be obtained pursuant to subsection 19-2.2 of the Borough Code. [Only a Borough resident or their guest (a maximum of three (3) guests per resident for doubles on the same court) shall be permitted to use the Borough tennis courts as long as the resident possess a badge or tag. For a guest to play he or she must be accompanied by a resident holding the appropriate badge or tag.]

[§ 19-3.3

Fees.

Fees for the tennis court badge or key shall be established within the range of \$30 to \$40 per season. Request for additional badges by an individual purchasing a key shall be between \$5 and \$8. Fees shall apply to residents twelve (12) years of age or older.

The Mayor and Council shall establish fees within the above ranges by resolution adopted yearly.

§ 19-3.4

Lost Keys.

Any person who loses his or her key to the tennis courts shall pay \$3 for a replacement key.]

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED:

ORDINANCE 2022-09: FINAL READING

PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED ADOPTION

**A CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF POLICE
RADIOS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AND APPROPRIATING THIRTY-FIVE
THOUSAND DOLLARS₃ (\$35,000.00) THEREFORE**

The Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2022-09 is now open, persons who wish to be heard, please ask to be recognized and state your name for the Record.

Public Comments:

None

Motion to Close Public Hearing:

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Ms. Thompson

Voice Vote: Yes: Unanimous No_____

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 2022-09 as Introduced:

Motion: Ms. Thompson
Second: Mr. Baxter

Voting Record:

Mr. Baxter	Mr. Fumo	Mr. Gabriel	Ms. Pendleton	Ms. Thompson	Mr. Weber	Mayor Doyle
<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No	Yes/No	<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No
Abs.	Abs.	<u>Abs.</u>	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

ORDINANCE 2022-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY. A CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF POLICE RADIOS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AND APPROPRIATING THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$35,000.00) THEREFORE

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of the full membership thereof affirmatively concurring), DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Borough of Island Heights, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey (the “Borough”), as general capital improvements. For the improvements or purposes described in Section 2, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$35,000.00 as required by the Local Bond Law. The total sum is now available by virtue of surplus funds available within the Capital Improvement Fund.

SECTION 2.

The Borough hereby authorizes the appropriation of \$35,000.00 from the Capital

Improvement Fund for the purchase of police radios and related equipment, including all materials and work necessary or incidental thereto and further including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.

SECTION 3.

The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements or purposes that the Borough may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

SECTION 4.

Any grant moneys received for the purposes described in Section 2 hereof shall be applied to the direct payment of the cost of the improvements.

SECTION 5.

The Borough hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget will be filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

SECTION 6.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication as required by law.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE:

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Resolution 2022-111 Approving the Proposed Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council Conducted on June 14, 2022 (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Weber
Second: Ms. Thompson

Comments/Discussion: None

Voting Record:

Mr. Baxter	Mr. Fumo	Mr. Gabriel	Ms. Pendleton	Ms. Thompson	Mr. Weber	Mayor Doyle
<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No	Yes/No	<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No	<u>Yes</u> /No
Abs.	Abs.	<u>Abs.</u>	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

**MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE:
RESOLUTIONS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Resolution 2022-112

Approving the Use of the Wanamaker Gazebo by Ken Franklin for a Wedding Ceremony on August 12, 2022, Between the Hours of 3:00 PM and 4:00 PM (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Weber
Second: Mr. Fumo

Resolution 2022-113

Approving the Submission of the 2023 New Jersey Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Grant Application Requesting a Total Grant of \$517,000.00 for the Garden Avenue, Garfield Avenue and Maple Avenue Road Improvements

Motion: Ms. Thompson
Second: Mr. Baxter

Resolution 2022-114

Approving the Date for the Town Wide Yard Sale to be September 24, 2022 (Rain Date September 25, 2022) Between the Hours of 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM (By Title)

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Mr. Fumo

Resolution 2022-115

Approving the Awarding of a Contract for an Access Door Security System for the Island Heights Police Station to B Safe Security of Wilmington, Delaware as a Proprietary Vendor in keeping with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(39) in an Amount Not to Exceed \$6994.54

Motion: Mr. Weber
Second: Ms. Thompson

Resolution 2022-116

Authorizing the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to Enter Into an Agreement with Jobs 4 Blue of Freehold, New Jersey for the Provision of Services Related to the Scheduling of Police Special Duty Assignments (By Title)

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Mr. Fumo

Comments/Discussion by Council Members of Items on the Consent Agenda:

None

Comments/Discussion from the Floor on Items on the Consent Agenda:

Luis Taveras – Requested an explanation of Resolution 2022-115 which was provided by the Mayor and Mr. Asay.

Motion for Adoption of all of the Resolutions on the Consent Agenda:

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Mr. Weber

Voting Record:

Mr. Baxter	Mr. Fumo	Mr. Gabriel	Ms. Pendleton	Ms. Thompson	Mr. Weber	Mayor Doyle
<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	Yes/No	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	<u>Abs.</u>	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

MAYOR DOYLE:

BILL LIST AND PROCUREMENTS

Resolution 2022-117

Approving Payment of all of the Items on the Bill List Submitted by the Purchasing Agent (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Weber
Second: Ms. Thompson

Discussion/Comments: None

Voting Record:

Mr. Baxter	Mr. Fumo	Mr. Gabriel	Ms. Pendleton	Ms. Thompson	Mr. Weber	Mayor Doyle
<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	Yes/No	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
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MAYOR DOYLE:

DISCUSSION & PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (Public Comment):

Andrea Arevalo – We would like to use this meeting room for yoga classes.

Mayor Doyle – Because of the return of the Construction Office to the Borough this room is being used routinely for meetings and plan reviews so it is not available for such activities.

Susan Kelly – Thank you for the paving and curb work that was done on our street, it is a great improvement. Can we find out more about the plans for the path through the Camp Meeting Grounds where the asphalt was removed. The vegetation at the south end of the Camp Meeting Ground is tall and thick and it obscures the view of the River.

Gail Cudia – Will there be one way or two way traffic through the Camp Meeting Grounds once the work is done.

Mayor Doyle – The work at the Camp Meeting Grounds is ongoing and that is why the area has been closed to traffic. The path through the grounds was never intended to be a road, it was designed as a walking path and later paved to provide access to the parking when the Pavilion was restored. The asphalt was negatively impacting the trees and increasing runoff so it was removed and replaced with a porous surface of river rock. The path is being narrowed to an appropriate size and the rock will be compressed so that vehicles can access the parking and the particularly the handicapped parking spots on the west side of the pavilion. The vegetation on the bluff at the south end of the grounds helps to hold the soil and reduce erosion, we cannot remove it.

MAYOR DOYLE:

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Fumo – In these summer months please try to avoid putting out your garbage early as it can be unpleasant to smell in the heat.

You will see that some off season construction is going on at our Elementary School, they are making some improvements to the walkways and playground area. The Sea Devil Academy is underway with strong attendance.

We will be launching a tennis clinic for our children at the tennis courts, please check the Borough website or contact the office for more information.

We will be installing a Mobi-Mat at the Park Avenue termination to make it easier to walk there and to launch non-motorized watercraft.

Mr. Weber – Third quarter estimated property tax bills are out and are due by August 10th.

The Borough took delivery of our Polaris Gem electric vehicle and residents will see it out being used for code enforcement and construction inspections.

Ms. Thompson – As you pass by you will see that progress is being made on the foundation for our new Fire Station. The Fire Company has sent out their fund drive letter and your donations during this construction project would be greatly appreciated.

Our First Aid Squad is in great need of volunteers to serve as drivers or EMTs. The Squad will provide training and to serve as a driver the training can be done in just a few hours.

Ms. Pendleton – Our DPW has been spending hours servicing our waste water pump stations. They asked that I remind all residents to not flush wipes down their toilets. Even wipes which are sold as “flushable” cannot be processed in our waste water system and the spun material that is used to make them becomes entangled in the impellers in our pumps and causes them to overheat and shut down. Such events can cause waste water backups into our homes.

Please be sure to place all of your household garbage into proper containers when you place it at the curb. Garbage that is put out only in bags can be pulled open by animals and may not be picked up by our provider.

Mr. Baxter – Our staff has sold over 1,000 recreation badges so far this year and one of our Code Enforcement Officers intercepted person using counterfeit badges and the matter was referred to our Police Department for investigation.

Our Construction Office remains busy having processed over \$38,000.00 in permits this year.

I encourage everyone to attend the Peto Cup fundraiser at the Island Heights Yacht Club on August 5th. This is a very important fund raiser for our Peto Museum.

Mayor Doyle - I thank everyone who is here this evening as well as our Council Members for the interest that you all take in the affairs of the Borough and for the volunteer work that so many of you do to make our community such a wonderful place to live.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:45 PM BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Sean Asay
Borough Clerk**