

Mayor and Council Newsletter

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Official Council Meeting Minutes

April 25, 2023

MAYOR DOYLE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AND 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 November 19, 2022 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	<u>Present</u>	Absent
Council Member Fumo	<u>Present</u>	Absent
Council Member Gabriel	<u>Present</u>	Absent
Council Member Pendleton	<u>Present</u>	Absent
Council Member Thompson	<u>Present</u>	Absent
Council Member Weber	<u>Present</u>	Absent
Mayor Doyle	<u>Present</u>	Absent
Borough Attorney Mr. Zabarsky	<u>Present</u>	Absent

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED:

ORDINANCE – 2023-04 – Final Reading – Public Hearing – Proposed Adoption

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK IN KEEPING WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14.

The Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2023-04 is now open, persons who wish

To comment, please ask to be recognized and state your name for the record:

Public Comments:

No Comments

Mayor Doyle entertained a:

Motion to Close Public Hearing:

Motion: Mr. Gabriel

Second: Ms. Pendleton

Voice Vote: Yes: Unanimous No:

Mayor Doyle entertained a:

Motion to Waive Reading and Adopt Proposed Ordinance 2023-04 as Introduced:

Motion: Ms. Thompson

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>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

ORDINANCE 2023-04

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK IN KEEPING WITH
N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A:4-45.14 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to the cost of living adjustment declared by the State of New Jersey (2.5%) unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and;

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15 provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2023 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council hereby determine that a 1.0% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$25,218.26 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Island Heights, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2023 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Island Heights shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 1.00%, amounting to \$25,218.26, and that the CY 2023 municipal budget for the Borough of Island Heights be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED:

ORDINANCE – 2023-05 – Final Reading – Public Hearing – Proposed Adoption

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, HEREBY RESCINDING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 5 – SECTION 3 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “LEGALIZED GAMES OF CHANCE”

The Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2023-05 is now open, persons who wish

To comment, please ask to be recognized and state your name for the record:

Public Comments:

No Comments

Mayor Doyle entertained a:

Motion to Close Public Hearing:

Motion: Mr. Weber

Second: Ms. Pendleton

Voice Vote: Yes: Unanimous No:

Mayor Doyle entertained a:

Motion to Waive Reading and Adopt Proposed Ordinance 2023-05 as Introduced:

Motion: Ms. Thompson

Second: Mr. Fumo

Voting Record:

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

ORDINANCE 2023-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, HEREBY RESCINDING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 5 – SECTION 3 OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED “LEGALIZED GAMES OF CHANCE”

5-3. LEGALIZED GAMES OF CHANCE

5-3.1 Introduction

This chapter is for the purpose of regulating all games of chance held, operated or conducted within the Borough, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:8-24 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 5:8-50 et seq., and in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission in the Department of Law and Public Safety of the State of New Jersey. All applications, licenses and proceedings in connection therewith shall be subject to the provisions of such Acts and the rules and regulations and any laws, rules and regulations hereafter enacted and shall be further subject to the provisions of this chapter.

5-3.2 Issuing Authority

The Issuing Authority, as defined in N.J.S.A. 5:8-24 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 5:8-50 et seq., responsible for approving bingo and raffle licenses shall be the Municipal (Borough) Clerk.

5-3.3 Conduct of Games on Sunday

Licenses authorized by law to conduct any games of chance, including raffles and bingo, shall be permitted to conduct the same on any day of the week, including Sundays as provided by N.J.S.A. 5:8-31 and N.J.S.A. 5:8-58.

5-3.4 License Application

The issuing authority shall approve or deny all applications for bingo or raffle licenses within thirty (30) days after the filing of the application. Applications must be filed with the Municipal (Borough) Clerk together with the required fees pursuant to law. The applicant shall demonstrate in writing compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws and regulations.

5-3.5 Organizations Eligible for License

No license to conduct a game of chance as authorized by law shall be issued to any organization not having bona fide sites established in good faith within the State of New Jersey and actively engaged in serving one or more of the authorized purposes as defined by the rules and regulations of the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

5-3.6 Suspension or Revocation of License

The governing body, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:8-30 and N.J.S.A. 5:8-57, may suspend or revoke any issued bingo or raffle license, after a hearing, for any violation of this chapter or state law. The governing body may suspend the operation of a licensed bingo or raffle pending a hearing, in which case a hearing must be held within five (5) days after such action. Notice of a hearing shall be served personally upon an officer of the licensee or the member in charge of the conduct of the bingo or raffle or sent by registered mail or certified mail to the licensee at the address shown on the license. All decisions and findings by the governing body regarding the suspension or revocation of a bingo or raffle license shall be in writing.

5-3.7 Licensing Fees

A. All licensing fees due and payable to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission shall be collected by the Municipal (Borough) Clerk at the time that an application is submitted and shall be submitted by the applicant on an instrument (check or money order) made payable to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

- B. The licensing fee due and payable to the Borough shall be the same as the fee paid by the applicant to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.
- C. The Borough licensing fee shall be waived for qualified organizations which are domiciled or have their primary place of business within the Borough.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED:

ORDINANCE 2023-06 – First Reading – Proposed Introduction

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, ENTITLED “EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES”

Motion to Waive Reading and Introduce Ordinance 2023-06 as Proposed:

Motion: Mr. Baxter
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>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

ORDINANCE 2023-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, ENTITLED “EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES”

WHEREAS, patient care facilities have engaged in a practice of placing emergency calls for transportation of patients in non-emergency situations to the Borough’s emergency medical services (“EMS”); and

WHEREAS, the use of the Borough’s first responders for non-emergency medical care is injurious to the health, safety, and welfare of the Borough’s residents, in that it deprives first responders of the ability to respond to true emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to discourage such practices by requiring private care facilities to have available private ambulance providers for non-emergency calls and requiring reimbursement in the form of a fee for the dispatch of the Borough’s EMS (Island Heights Volunteer First Aid Squad) for non-emergency medical care calls made to patient facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Island Heights is a body politic and corporate in law pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:60-1 et seq.; and

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

SECTION I.

A. A new Chapter 14 of the Borough Code, entitled “Emergency Medical Services,” is hereby established to provide as follows:

ARTICLE I. Emergency Medical Services for Patient Care Facilities

§ 14-1. Purpose and Scope; Definitions.

- A. The purpose of this article is to preserve and enhance the availability of emergency medical services for legitimate medical emergency situations in the Borough by regulating the use of emergency medical services in certain non-emergency situations.
- B. For the purpose of this article, “patient care facilities” are defined as all state-licensed nursing homes, rest homes, health maintenance organizations, assisted living facilities, health-care facilities providing in-patient services, and other licensed or unlicensed medical care providers with the capacity to treat outpatients.

§ 14-2. Requirements for Private Ambulance Services.

- A. All patient care facilities located in the Borough are required to own, lease, rent or have promptly available by contract sufficient, appropriately staffed private ambulance services for the treatment and transport of patients in need of non-emergency medical care. Such ambulance services shall be available three hundred and sixty five (365) days per year and twenty four (24) hours per day.
- B. Each patient care facilityg subject to this article shall file proof of compliance with subsection (A) within sixty (60)

days of the effective date of this article and thereafter annually on or before January 1.

1. The required proof must consist of a written contract with no less than two private ambulance service providers under which such providers are obligated to respond promptly to the patient care facility.
2. Alternatively, if the patient care facility elects to own, operate, and provide its own ambulance service, then the required proof must consist of written documentation identifying the make, model, year, color, serial number, license plate number, location, and staffing of each ambulance.
3. The required proofs must be timely submitted to the Borough Clerk along with a certification signed by the resident director, manager, or other authorized corporate officer of the patient care facility affirming: (a) that adequate private ambulance services are available; and (b) that all agents and employees of the facility have been apprised of and trained in the use of such private ambulance services.

§ 14-3. Violations; Penalties.

- A. The failure of a patient care facility to comply with the requirements of 14-2(A) and (B) constitutes a violation of this Article. Both the patient care facility and its resident director, manager, or authorized corporate officer are liable for such violations, which are subject to the maximum fines and penalties established under Section 1-5 of the Municipal Code.
- B. In the event that an employee or agent of a patient care facility located in the Borough takes actions resulting in the dispatch of an emergency medical services (EMS) (Island Heights Volunteer First Aid Squad) and the responding EMS (Island Heights Volunteer First Aid Squad), in its sole discretion, determines that the dispatch did not involve circumstances requiring the use of an advanced life support or paramedic unit, the Island Heights Volunteer First Aid Squad shall provide the Borough written certification to that effect and the patient care facility shall be subject to a dispatch fee of \$750.00, payable to the Borough. Any such fees collected by the Borough shall be remitted to the appropriate EMS (Island Heights Volunteer First Aid Squad) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:5-2.
- C. In the event that any fine, penalty, or fee imposed by this Chapter is not paid as and when due by a patient care facility, its resident director, manager, authorized corporate officer, employee, or agent of a patient care facility, the Borough may seek to collect and enforce said penalties and unpaid fees in Municipal Court and collect such penalties and unpaid fees consistent in the manner prescribed by law.

SECTION II.

All ordinances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistencies.

SECTION III.

In the event any section, part or provision of this Ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid by any Court, such holding shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance or any remaining part of this Ordinance other than the part held unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION IV.

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

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED:

ORDINANCE 2023-07 – First Reading – Proposed Introduction

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING BOROUGH CODE CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED - TRAFFIC

Motion to Waive Reading and Introduce Ordinance 2023-07 as Proposed:

Motion: Ms. Thompson
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>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING BOROUGH CODE
CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED - TRAFFIC**

Chapter 7-3.4 Shall be Supplemented as Follows:

7-3.4 Parking Prohibited During Certain Hours on Certain Streets

The following parking location shall be added:

Name of Street	Side	Hours	Location
Van Sant Avenue	South	10:00 P.M. – 6:00 A.M.	The Handicapped Parking Spot Adjacent to Van Sant Park

Chapter 7-6.2 Shall be Supplemented as Follows:

7-6.2

Stop Intersections

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-140, the following described intersections are hereby designated as stop intersections. Stop signs shall be installed as provided therein.

Intersection	Stop Sign(s) On
Ensor Place and Park Avenue	Park Avenue

Chapter 7-13 Shall be Supplemented as Follows:

7-13 Handicapped Parking

The following Handicapped Parking locations shall be added:

Name of Street	Side(s)	Location
East Camp Walk	North	Adjacent to the Camp Meeting Pavilion
Lake Avenue	North	Memorial Field and Park, Adjacent to the Playground
Lake Drive	All	Adjacent to the Boy Scout Island Park
Ocean Avenue	South	Adjacent to Long Point Park
River Avenue	South	Adjacent to the Boardwalk And Central Avenue Pavilion
Summit Avenue	All	Adjacent to the Wanamaker Beach
Van Sant Avenue	South	Adjacent to Van Sant Park

Wanamaker Complex

All

Adjacent to Borough Hall,
Adjacent to the Headquarters
of the Island Heights Police
Department, Adjacent to the
Island Heights Post Office,
Adjacent to the Playground
and Workout Area

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE:

MUNICIPAL BUDGET – PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Doyle provided a budget summary; the Municipal tax rate will increase by one cent driven by large increases in the cost of health insurance for full time Borough employees and retirees, pension contributions and the premiums that the Borough pays for insurance.

Mayor Doyle read the following:

The Public Hearing on the Proposed Municipal Budget Introduced on March 28, 2023 is now open. Persons who wish to comment, please ask to be recognized and state your name for the record:

Public Comments:

No Comments

Mayor Doyle entertained a:

Motion to Close Public Hearing:

Motion: Mr. Gabriel
Second: Mr. Weber

Voice Vote:

Yes: Unanimous

No:

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE:

MUNICIPAL BUDGET – RESOLUTION APPROVING CERTAIN AMENDMENTS

Resolution 2023-52 Approving Certain Amendments to the Municipal Budget
that

Was Introduced on March 28, 2023 and Approving the
Scheduling of a Public Hearing on the Budget Amendments
On May 9, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

Motion: Mr. Baxter
Second: Mr. Fumo

Comments/Discussion: 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>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED:

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Resolution 2023-53 Approving the Proposed Minutes Regular Meeting of the
Mayor and Council Conducted on March 28, 2023 (By
Title)

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Ms. Thompson

Comments/Discussion: 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>
Abs.	Abs.	<u>Abs.</u>	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE RESOLUTIONS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution 2023-54

Approving the Hiring of Timothy Seaman as a Part Time Laborer in the Department of Public Works at an Hourly Rate of \$16.00 with an Effective Date of April 29, 2023

Motion: Ms. Thompson

Second: Mr. Fumo

Resolution 2023-55

Approving the Resolution Recognizing and Supporting National Library Week, April 23-29, 2023

Motion: Mr. Baxter

Second: Ms. Pendleton

Resolution 2023-56

Authorizing the Mayor, the Borough Clerk and the Borough Recycling Coordinator to Apply for the 2022 Recycling Tonnage Grant on Behalf of the Borough

Motion: Ms. Pendleton

Second: Mr. Weber

Resolution 2023-57

Authorizing the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to Enter into a Contract with Michael Winch to Serve as Deputy Construction Official and Sub Code Official For the Borough with an Annual Salary of \$8,000.00 And an Effective Date of April 1, 2023

Motion: Mr. Weber

Second: Mr. Fumo

Resolution 2023-58

Approving the Proposal from the Borough Engineer For the Preparation and Submission of the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Annual Report in an Amount Not to Exceed \$3,500.00 (By Title)

Motion: Ms. Pendleton

Second: Ms. Thompson

Relution 2023-68

Approving a Social Affair Permit for the Island Heights Education Foundation at the Island Heights Yacht Club On June 3, 2023 (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Baxter
Second: Ms. Thompson

Resolution 2023-69

Authorizing the Tax Collector to Issue Estimated Property Tax Bills

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Mr. Fumo

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

Mr. Fumo – Commented on the ongoing maintenance of the water tower.

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

No Comments

Mayor Doyle entertained a:

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

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Mr. Fumo

Voting Record:

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

Note: Mayor abstains as to Resolution 2023-60

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE:

BILL LIST AND PROCUREMENTS

Resolution 2023-65

Approving Payment of all of the Items on the Bill List and the Invoice from Citta, Holzapfel and Zabarsky dated April 18, 2023 in the Amount of \$4,220.46 (By Title)

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
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>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE:

Council Member Reports

Mayor Doyle – Introduced our new Librarian (Chris Maloney) accompanied by Betsy Hyle, the Chair of our Library Trustees.

Ms. Maloney discussed all of the spring and summer activities planned at the Library and encouraged everyone to visit our Library. She thanked the Mayor and Council for recognizing National Library Week.

Mayor Doyle thanked Ms. Maloney for attending the meeting and Betsy Hyle for her years of work in support of the Island Heights Library.

Mayor Doyle continued:

The Gazebo at Wanamaker Beach will be cleaned and painted in May.

The light posts on our boardwalk will be scraped and painted.

We will be planting new hardwood trees throughout the Borough on our property.

Our Post Office will be repaired and painted to match the other Borough buildings.

We will be purchasing a new police vehicle using cash, no debt.

We have asked the County to finish the paving of Ocean Avenue from Central Avenue east to the end and we believe that this will be done over the summer.

Mr. Fumo – Our Fire Company is now operating out of their new building and enjoying the extra operational space. The building signage is up and they hope to host an open house in the near future.

Mr. Weber – Our Elementary School has just completed their State Assessment testing. At Central Regional they will be having their spring concert on May 11th. Our thanks to the Boy Scouts led by Mr. Fumo for their help in painting the sign at the Elementary School.
Welcome to our new Librarian, we look forward to working with you.

Mr. Gabriel – Through the end of March 2023, our Police Department has responded to 1,450 calls for service, completed 491 motor vehicle stops and issued 270 summons.

Mr. Baxter – The Planning Board will meet next on May 11th at the Elementary School and applications continue to come in for Board Action at a steady pace.
Our Municipal Court activity and receipts are seeing a return to pre-covid levels.

Ms. Pendleton – Our DPW is working on hydrant flushing this week along with meter readings at each property for water usage. They have placing new storm drain placards and planting new hardwood trees around the Borough.
Our Cultural and Heritage Association will be having their annual Garden Tour on June 24th and their speaker series will be starting at the Ocean County Artist Guild Building on the third Monday of each month.

Ms. Thompson – Our Post Office has a new Officer in Charge – Jeanine Lapi – she has asked that our residents add their PO Box # at the end of their street address when dealing with vendors to help them to get the mail into the right boxes.
Earth Day on April 22nd was a great success with a very strong turnout of residents and volunteers who engaged in clean ups and plantings around the Borough, thank you to the Boy Scouts and Alan Fumo for their help.
The Community Garden is up and running with beds being cleaned out and filled with new plants for the season.
Our Construction Office has issued permits totaling \$40,000.00 to date.
Our Code Enforcement Office has sold 470 Recreation Badges and reviewed ten tree removal permits, eighteen certificate of occupancy applications and seven zoning applications.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE:

DISCUSSION & PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (Public Comment):

John Pendleton – Commented on handicapped parking spaces at public facilities in the Borough.

Linda Lane – Commented on the use of parking permits to control visitor parking in the Borough.

Bob MacNeal - Commented on handicapped parking spaces at public facilities in the Borough.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE:

Executive (Closed) Session

Resolution 2023-66

Authorizing the Mayor and Council to Enter Into Executive (Closed) Session to Discuss Certain Matters that are Exempt from the Open Public Meetings Act

Motion: Mr. Weber

Second: Mr. Fumo

Voting Record:

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

Motion to Exit Executive (Closed) Session

Motion: Mr. Gabriel

Second: Mr. Weber

Voice Vote: Yes: Unanimous No

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED:

Resolution 2023-67

Approving the Proposal of the Borough Engineer for Phase 1 Services for the Removal and Replacement of Potable Water Meters in an Amount Not to Exceed \$10,700.00 (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Gabriel

Second: Mr. Baxter

Comments/Discussion: 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>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M. by Unanimous Consent.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sean Asay