

Mayor and Council Newsletter

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Official Council Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2024

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 22, 2023 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:

SALUTE 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	Present	<u>Absent</u> (excused)
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 2024-04 – Proposed Introduction

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, A CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND PROJECTS OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS AND APPROPRIATING TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000.00) THEREFORE

Mayor Doyle entertained a:

Motion to Waive Reading and Introduced Proposed Ordinance 2024-04

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

ORDINANCE 2024-04

SECTION 1.

The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Borough of Island Heights (the “Borough”), as general capital improvements. For the improvements or purposes described in Section 2, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$250,000.00 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 \$250,000.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the following purposes (including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto):

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| <i>1. Boardwalk Replacement</i> | <i>\$50,000.00</i> |
| <i>2. Fencing - Memorial Field - Basketball and Tennis Courts</i> | <i>\$80,000.00</i> |
| <i>3. Baseball Field Restoration</i> | <i>\$10,000.00</i> |
| <i>4. Boom Lift</i> | <i>\$50,000.00</i> |
| <i>5. Police Vehicle</i> | <i>\$60,000.00</i> |

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 having a period of usefulness of at least five (5) years, 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.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED:

ORDINANCE 2024-05 – 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

Mayor Doyle entertained a:

Motion to Waive Reading and Introduce Proposed Ordinance 2024-05

Motion: 3Ms. 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>	Yes/No	<u>Yes/No</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	Abs.	<u>Abs.</u>	Abs.	Abs.

ORDINANCE 2024-05

Chapter 7-3.6 is hereby repealed and replaced with the following:

7-3.6 Parking Time Limited on Certain Streets

No person shall park a vehicle for longer than the time limit shown below at any time between the hours listed on any day, except Sundays and Borough Holidays, upon any of the following described streets or parts of streets:

Name of Street	Sides	Hours	Time Limit	Location
Summit Avenue	North	9 AM to 5 PM	One Hour	From the Westerly Curbline at Central Avenue to a Point One Hundred Ten Feet West Thereof

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

Resolution 2024-86

Approving the Proposed Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council Conducted on April 23, 2024 (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Fumo
Second: Ms. Pendleton

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

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE RESOLUTIONS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution 2024-87

Approving the Issuance of a Social Affair Permit to the Island Heights Education Foundation for a Casino Night to be Conducted at the Island Heights Yacht Club on June 8, 2024 (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Baxter
Second: Mr. Weber

Resolution 2024-88

Approving the Issuance of a Social Affair Permit to the Island Heights Volunteer Fire Company for Summerbrew to be Conducted at the Island Heights Fire House on June 29, 2024 (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Fumo
Second: Mr. Weber

Resolution 2024-89

Authorizing the Cancellation of Unspent Balances of Various Improvement Authorizations within the Borough Capital Fund

Motion: Ms. Pendleton
Second: Mr. Weber

Resolution 2024-90

Authorizing the Filing of an Application for a Short-Term Construction Loan from the New Jersey I-Bank Under the Construction Financing Program and Authorizing the Issuance of a Construction Loan Note in Connection with the Borough Municipal Potable Water Meter Replacement Project

Motion: Mr. Gabriel
Second: Mr. Fumo

Resolution 2024-91

Approving and Determining the Form and other Details of the Note Relating to the Construction Financing Program of the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank to be Issued in the Principal Amount of up to \$1,200,000.00 and Providing for the Issuance and Sale of Such Note to the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank and Authorizing the

Execution and Delivery of Such Note by the
Borough of Island Heights in Favor of the New
Jersey Infrastructure Bank

Motion: Mr. Fumo
Second: Ms. Pendleton

Resolution 2024-92

Approving the Redemption of Property Tax Sale
Certificate # 23-00002 in the Amount of
\$25,509.16, Payable to Christiana TC/F First Trust
of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Motion: Mr. Weber
Second: Ms. Pendleton

Resolution 2024-93

Approving the Use of Wanamaker Beach by Sherri
Paris for the New Logic Marine Science Camp –
July 29 thru August 2nd – Between the Hours of 9
AM and 2 PM (By Title)

Motion: Mr. Gabriel
Second: Mr. Baxter

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

None

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

None

Mayor Doyle entertained a:

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

Motion: Mr. Weber
Second: Mr. Baxter

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

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE BILL LIST AND PROCUREMENTS:

Resolution 2024-94

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

Motion: Mr. Baxter

Second: Mr. Gabriel

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

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

Mr. Gabriel – One of our Class II Officers (Officer Rosario) will be leaving us later this summer to accept a full time opportunity in another town. We have already hired in our Police Department in expectation of a departure so staffing should be sound for the summer.

Mr. Baxter – Our Planning Board will be meeting this Thursday and the Bord has gotten busy again with new applications.

A thanks from the Kiwanis to everyone in town who helped with the River to Bay 5K, it was a great success.

Mr. Weber – Our Elementary School students are participating in their end of year assessments to make sure they are on track for the next school year.

As Mr. Baxter said, the River to Bay 5K was a great success and many students and teachers from our school participated.

On June 8th, there will be a Casino Night at the Island Heights Yacht Club to benefit the Island Heights Education Foundation, it is great fun for a great cause. You can purchase tickets at the door.

Ms. Pendleton – Our DPW is now busy mulching, weeding and mowing to get our Borough properties ready for the summer.

The bioswale at Wanamaker was cleaned and weeded and it is working well collecting storm water.

Some upcoming events in the Borough:

On the morning of Friday, May 17th - the Borough spring bulk (item) garbage pickup will occur with the assistance of Toms River DPW. Please place your bulk items at the curb after 4 PM on Thursday, May 16th, no reservations are required. Please no hazardous materials or construction debris.

On Monday, May 20th at 7 PM in the Ocean County Artists Guild Meeting Room, the Island Heights Cultural Heritage Association presents, "Our Waterfront History." The event is free and no tickets are required.

On Thursday, May 23rd at 7 PM, at the John F. Peto Museum, they will be hosting a free outdoor concert featuring the Pat Roddy Band. Please bring your own lawn chairs, your donations are appreciated.

On Sunday, May 26th at 9 AM, at Letter Park, the Island Heights Volunteer Fire Company will present their annual Memorial Day Service recognizing all of our departed heroes. All are welcome to attend.

On Friday, June 7th at 7 PM, at the Wanamaker Complex Gazebo, our Recreation Committee will be hosting a free concert featuring "Nobody You'd Know." Please bring your own lawn chairs.

On Saturday, June 8th at 5 PM, at the Island Heights Yacht Club, the Island Heights Education Foundation will be hosting a "Casino Night." Advance tickets are available from Committee Members and will also be sold at the door.

On Friday, June 14th at 9:30 AM, the Island Heights Elementary School will host their annual "Flag Day Celebration" in front of the school on Summit Avenue. All are welcome to attend.

On Saturday, June 15th at 7 PM at the Cultural and Heritage Museum Cottage, the Association will present a Free Concert featuring Starboard to Sunset. Please bring your own chair and donations are appreciated.

On Monday, June 17th at 7 PM, in the Ocean County Artists Guild Meeting Room, the Island Heights Cultural Heritage Association presents, "New Jersey Shipwrecks: 350 Years in the Graveyard of the Atlantic." The event is free and no tickets are required.

On Saturday, June 29th at 5 PM, at the Island Heights Fire House, our Fire Company presents "Summerbrew" featuring live music, food and curated beverages. This event is for adults age 21 and over and tickets are available now from any firefighter or on their website.

Mr. Fumo – Our First Aid Squad recently conducted a joint trauma drill with the Rowan University Medical School. The Squad is always seeking new members and they will provide free training. They have responded to ninety one calls for service so far this year.

Our Fire Company has conducted sixteen training drills and responded to fifty nine calls for service so far this year.

Mayor Doyle – Our Holly and Lake Avenues water main replacement project is well underway and will be finished before Memorial Day Weekend.

We will have two paving projects in the fall including Garden, Garfield, Holly, Lake and Maple Avenues, this work will start after Sailfest.

We have appropriated funds in our Capital Budget to continue our Boardwalk replacement project, DPW is moving south now from the north end of the Boardwalk.

Our thanks to all of our volunteers who are assisting with the planting of new hardwood trees throughout the Borough to protect our tree canopy.

Ocean County has awarded us a grant of over \$500,000.00 in stimulus funds to be used to fund our water and sewer infrastructure improvements.

We are working with our First Aid Squad and Fire Company on a plan to move the Squad to the annex building next to the Fire House.

Bids are being solicited and we are starting the work to undertake the purchase of a new fire truck, once an order is placed it can take up to four years to receive the truck so we have to plan ahead to keep everyone protected.

MAYOR DOYLE INTRODUCED THE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (PUBLIC COMMENT):

John Pendleton – Commented on the pillar at the Wanamaker property that was damaged by a County vehicle.

Joe Jannis – Commented on the use of lawn maintenance equipment in the Borough.

Anna Giaquinto – Commented on the availability of public restroom facilities in the Borough.

MAYOR DOYLE ENTERTAINED A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT BY MR. WEBER, SECONDED BY MS. PENDLETON:

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sean Asay

Borough Clerk