

Island Heights Environmental Committee  
April 27, 2026 **Meeting Minutes**

Attendees: Susan Thompson, Lynn Pendleton, Dana Fallon, Allan Nichols, Denise Summer.

The meeting was called to order at 6:14 pm

Discussion and Action Items:

- Review and approve the IHEC March 23, 2026 meeting minutes:  
Motion: Dana Fallon / Second: Denise Summer, unanimously approved.
- Monarch Butterfly Milkweed Garden at the IHGS - Discussion held regarding the pending a confirmation from IHGS that it is moving forward.
- Gas Lawn Blowers - Discussion held regarding IHEC support Resolution for NJ Senate Bill 623. All agreed IHEC approval should be held for further review and following contact with the bill's sponsor Senator Bob Smith. Concern was expressed over how landscapers would adapt their practices if the State approved the bill into law.
- IH Tree Canopy Preservation - Discussion was held over the proposed Tree of the Year contest. It was agreed the event should be held once a year with alternating spring and fall events. Criteria and judges are needed to move the proposal forward.
- 250th IH Borough Celebration planned for July 3rd, 2026 - The Committee agreed to continue to pursue the planting of a Heritage Tree, it was agreed the purchase of 250 saplings for distribution to residents on the 250th should be tabled due to concerns over the survival of the saplings if distributed in July.
- Sailfest, September 12, 2026 - Volunteers to date: Denise Summer, Dana Fallon, Tanara Hall. Need to discuss furthering the focus on Sustainable Landscaping
- The next IHEC meeting is scheduled for May 26th at 6:00pm

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm via a motion by Dana Fallon and seconded by Alan Nichols.



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