

Mayor and Council Newsletter

Borough of Island Heights
Council Meeting
November 13, 2012
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Agenda items are listed in the order that they were acted upon. Each agenda item is summarized. The mayor and/or council member familiar with the action is listed along with a telephone number.

*Mayor – Jim Biggs - Present
Council President - Jeffrey B. Silver – Present
Council Members present: John Bendel, Greg Heizler, Peter Kier, Joe Rogalski and Brian Taboada
Council members absent: None*

1. Adopt Resolution 2012- 64 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR TRANSFERS BETWEEN BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS CONTAINED IN THE 2012 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved a resolution authorizing the transfer between appropriation accounts in the 2012 budget. As allowed by state law, after November 1st of each year municipalities are permitted to transfer funds between certain operating accounts within the current municipal budget. For details contact: Louis Palazzo – Chief Financial Officer (732) 270-6415, Greg Heizler - Council Member Liaison, John Bendel – Council Member Liaison

2. Adopt Resolution 2012- 63 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948).

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved a resolution providing for the insertion of a special item of revenue in the 2012 budget. For details contact: Louis Palazzo – Chief Financial Officer (732) 270-6415, Greg Heizler - Council Member Liaison, John Bendel – Council Member Liaison

3. Approve obligations chargeable to the 2012 operating budget as presented.

Summary: With one (1) no vote on two (2) payments, the Mayor and Council Members approved the obligations chargeable to the 2012 operating budgets. For details contact: Louis Palazzo – Chief Financial Officer (732) 270-6415, Greg Heizler - Council Member Liaison, John Bendel – Council Member Liaison

The following was acted on as a consent agenda.

4. Approve the following Purchase Order requests:

**1. Requesting Dept: Public Works
Vendor: Point Bay Fuel
Item/Service: ULSD CLR NTX 250.0 gal @3.6780 + LUST tax
TOTAL: \$923.06**

2. Requesting Dept: Island Heights First Aid Squad

**Vendor: Merchantville Overhead Door Co. Inc.
Item/Service: Repair to Overhead Door Damaged during Hurricane Sandy
TOTAL: \$608.40**

**3. Requesting Dept: Emergency Management
Vendor: Global Connect
Item/Service: One Year Service Emergency Notification System (2013)
TOTAL: \$523.50**

**4. Requesting Dept: Toms River Computer
Item/Service: Mozy Pro Professional Back-Up Off Site Server Annual Fee
TOTAL: \$730.00**

**5. Requesting Dept: Police
Vendor: Firestone Tire & Service
Item/Service: Four (4) Tires
TOTAL: \$582.84**

Summary: With one (1) no vote on Toms River Computer, the Mayor and Council Members approved the issuance of a purchase orders for the items listed above. For details on items 1 and 2 contact: Jon Brodbeck – Assistant Superintendent of Public Works (732) 270-6424, Jim Biggs – Mayor; For details on item 3 contact: Doug Platt – Emergency Management Coordinator (732) 270-5500, Jim Biggs – Mayor; For details on item 4 contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor; For details on item 5 contact: Lt. Kevin Arnold (732) 270-3006, Jeff Silver – Council President Liaison

Approve the hiring of Hall Realty Consultants to act on the borough's behalf in the added assessment tax appeal filed by Nelson Partnership, this will include review and testimony; contract amount not to exceed \$1,500.00.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved the hiring of Hall Realty Consultants to act on the borough's behalf in the added assessment tax appeal filed by Nelson Partnership to include review and testimony; contract amount not to exceed \$1,500.00. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

5. Adopt Resolution 2012 – 65 entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ISLAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved a resolution to enter into executive session. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

Liaison Reports

Council Member John Bendel thanked the emergency management, volunteers and employees of the borough for their dedication, generosity and hard work during and after **Hurricane Sandy**.

Council Member Greg Heizler did not have a report.

Council Member Peter Kier did not have a report.

Council Member Joe Rogalski thanked the first responders for all their efforts during super storm Sandy. Mr. Rogalski also reported on behalf of the **Island Heights Police Department with regard to Hurricane Sandy**. The IHPD will be scheduling the patrol vehicles for bumper to bumper inspections to check for any damage or repairs that are needed due to the hurricane. There were some minor repairs found already that are needed in some of the emergency lights, electrical and other cosmetic types. The police department during the storm remained on patrol for the entire storm to make sure that the residents of Island Heights were safe. During the nights following the hurricane, extra patrol units were detailed to watch over most of the town that was still without power. Three (3) subjects were arrested and charged with breaking and entering, possession of stolen property and looting, more charges are pending. The police were dispatched to over 150 calls for help or assistance; this does not include all of the officer initiated calls to service during the hurricane and days to follow. The police department would like to commend the Island Heights Volunteer Fire Company and Ladies Auxiliary, the Island Heights First Aid and Emergency Management for going above and beyond for the residents of this town during Hurricane Sandy.

Council President Jeffrey B. Silver reported that the oil tank has to be removed from the String Band building location.

Council Member Brian Taboada did not have a report.

Privilege of the Floor

These subjects were discussed during Privilege of the Floor, for additional details please see the approved minutes retained by Borough Clerk.

- Would additional police be available for the Lavallette council meeting.
- Benches along the boardwalk

Other Borough Actions

Approve request from the Borough of Lavallette to hold their council meetings in our meeting room.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved a request from the Borough of Lavallette to hold their council meetings in Island Heights meeting room. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

Approve the hiring of 3 or 4 temporary Public Works employees, not to exceed one month employment, for storm related projects @ \$12.00 per hour and subject to pre-employment testing. The hiring process will be handled by the Assistant Superintendent of Public Works.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved the hiring of three (3) or four (4) temporary public works employees at \$12.00 per hour, not to exceed one (1) month employment for storm related projects. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

EMCOR Customer Solutions Center re: Lessor – Maintenance – Notification of Emergency Repair Island Heights Main Office.

Summary: The Mayor and Council Members unanimously approved payment to EMCOR Customer

Solutions Center. For details contact: Ellie Rogalski – Borough Clerk (732) 270-6415, Jim Biggs – Mayor

Other Items of Interest

☐ **All municipal offices will be closed** on Tuesday, December 25, 2012 in observance of Christmas.

☐ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, December 27, 2012 has been **canceled**.

☐ **All municipal offices will be closed** on Tuesday, January 1, 2013 in observance of New Year's.

☐ The **Island Heights Board of Health** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 9:00 AM held at the borough hall.

☐ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.

☐ The **Island Heights Planning Board** regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 6:30 PM held at the borough hall.

☐ The **Island Heights Environmental Committee** regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.

☐ The **Island Heights Mayor and Council** regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 7:00 PM held at the borough hall.

FREE RABIES CLINIC

Saturday, January 19, 2013 - 10:00 AM
Island Heights Public Works Building
Corner of Lake and Laurel Avenues

DOG & CAT LICENSES
ARE TO BE RENEWED
JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR

* **Proof of Current Rabies Required**

* **Spaying/Neutering Certificate to obtain \$3.00 discount**

Cat & Dog Fee: \$10.00

Proof Spayed/Neutered: \$7.00

In addition, a Late Fee of \$5.00 will be imposed February 1 and an additional \$1.00 each month late thereafter.

The Municipal Clerk's Office, Tax Collector & Water/Sewer Office, Finance & Purchasing, are open Monday – Friday 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM and Monday evening 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Building & Fire Departments, Tax Assessor and Municipal Court are open Monday evening 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Please call the borough hall at (732) 270-6415 for days and times of offices not listed above.

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Mayor Jim Biggs

Council Member Brian Taboada

Council President Jeff Silver

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Mayors' Corner....

Mayor Biggs noted that the First Aid rigs are being housed at the fire house until such time a determination can be made regarding the first aid building. The President of the First Aid Squad requested that the building be inspected by a structural engineer independent from the borough engineering firm; she also requested copies of the borough's insurance policies.