

December 4, 2014
Margate City, New Jersey

THE PRESS AND THE DOWNBEACH CURRENT WERE NOTIFIED OF THESE MEETINGS AND A COPY OF SAME WAS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AND THE MUNICIPAL WEBSITE

The Margate City Board of Commissioners held a work meeting on the above date at 4:00 p.m. The meeting began with a flag salute & roll call: Mr. Becker, Ms. Taube, and Mr. Blumberg were present. The following department heads were present: Chief Wolfson, Chief Tabasso, Mr. Galantino, Mr. Verna, Ms. McLaughlin, Ms. Larkin, Mr. Rubin, Ms. Freed, Mr. Walberg, Mr. Abbott & Mr. Deaneay.

Department Reports

Mr. Walberg: Updated projects

Mr. Verna: Contract coming due for emergency call system – new proposal allows for unlimited use at an increase of approximately \$1,000 (*\$6,000 total contract*) – Mr. Verna recommended same; working on connecting municipal building fiber optics for information sharing – a joint use agreement with Atlantic Electric is needed (*solicitor to prepare for next meeting*)

Chief Tabasso: Read a letter thanking and praising Fire & Police Dept. for recent assistance on Thanksgiving night – personnel from both departments went above their duties in offering help

Ms. McLaughlin: Working on end of year requirements

Mr. Deaneay: Updated Dunes Project – major victory in court today since the judge ordered the state to stop action but this is not the end; use of eminent domain must be done properly in accordance with government guidelines to ensure the rights of the people; Margate wants to protect its people but disagrees with creating dunes to do so (*Mr. Becker expressed pride in the entire legal team*)

Mr. Abbott: Requesting executive session tonight to discuss ongoing litigation and potential litigation; explained purpose of Resolution #240 is to memorialize a verbal decision made earlier (*Ms. Freed concurred*)

Ms. Taube: Recycling to be weekly on the day of normal trash pick-up beginning in 2015 & 64 gallon recycling carts with lids may be purchased for every household & given out free of charge; information for winter newsletter needed by December 17th

Mr. Blumberg: Began a discussion on the actual costs of weekly recycling and the recycling can “give away” - great idea but costs must be reviewed & approved

Public Participation: John Sewell asked that a written position paper be prepared on the creation of a master jetty in Longport for storm protection. Sharon Simon asked for further clarification on today’s ruling re: Dunes project. Steve Woerner commented on the unity of the commissioners on the dunes matter and the positive effect of same. On motion by Ms. Taube this portion was closed with a vote of three ayes. On motion by Mr. Blumberg the meeting was adjourned with a vote of 3 ayes.

Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, New Jersey

Attest: _____ Thomas D. Hiltner, RMC, City Clerk