

January 8, 2015
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. Ricciotti, Mr. Verna, Ms. Larkin, Mr. Rubin, Ms. McLaughlin, Mr. Abbott & Mr. Deane.

Anthony Tabasso, Jr. was sworn in as Lieutenant in the Fire Department by Mayor Becker. Everyone wished him well and congratulated him on the promotion.

Department Reports

Mr. Rubin: Busy with new homes and house raisings; explanation of new ordinance on tonight's agenda re: pool setbacks; drafting ordinance to reflect staff committee changes

Mr. Ricciotti: 6 water leaks reported; repaired sewer main; salted streets for recent storm & well-staffed in case of water breaks with changing weather

Ms. McLaughlin: Working on annual debt statement and financial statement; temporary budget introduced tonight

Chief Wolfson: Mandatory year end reports completed

Ms. Freed: Drafting 2 ordinance amendments re: raffles licensing & increase liquor license renewal fees; transitioning office

Mr. Galantino: 2 demolitions this month, 64 in 2014 (*doubled from 2013*); congratulated Ms. Freed on her promotion to City Clerk

Mr. Deane: Updated Dunes Project – meeting tomorrow in Philadelphia with ACOE and Rob Andrews, Esq. negotiating modifications of previously presented Dunes plan; January 15th due in Federal Court on the matter-judge urged the State to present its case in State court re: condemnation of property with the hope that it is resolved before this date; staff meeting next week for capital plan; staff meeting today on purchasing policy and appointing a new purchasing agent

Mr. Abbott: Advised that bids accepted for 2015 Televising and Cleaning of Sewer System be rejected and then rebid (*bids over the estimate and one bid was delivered to the incorrect department*); working with homeowners to sell on non-buildable strips of property at beach ends based on appraisals & the homeowner reconstructing bulkhead – this will give the city new bulkheads and ratables & has been recommended by the Planning Board; Mayor to sign off on \$354,664 Streetscaping grant awarded

Public Participation: John Sewell – solicitor should present a formal request to Federal judge on January 15th to consider a master jetty off coast of Longport. Steve Altman –ordinances should be enforced re: snow removal on sidewalks; city should consider purchasing small Zamboni to clear snow. On motion by Mr. Blumberg 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: _____ Rosemarie A. Freed, RMC, City Clerk