

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION – MARGATE CITY**

May 7, 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, Mr. Blumberg and Ms. Taube were present. The following department heads were present: Chief Tabasso, Mr. Verna, Ms. McLaughlin and Mr. Abbott.

Items for Discussion:

Department Reports:

Chief Tabasso: Preparing for beach opening. Fire Department will hold its annual demonstration in conjunction with the Police Department this year June 24th at the Margate Library.

Ms. McLaughlin: the user friendly budget is complete and posted on the website. Bond Anticipated Notes are coming due in July and have been in touch with Bond Council. Beach badge sales are up; \$8400 over last year. The exit conference with the auditors was held Wednesday and on June 4th Kevin Franza will be here to give his formal presentation.

Mr. Deaney: Atlantic Avenue Restriping Project is underway. Funds became available as of April 29th. Schedule is attached. The municipal parking lot auction resulted in the lease of 18 parking places at the income of \$3,600 to the City. Review of Ed Walberg, City Engineer, Status Report is entered into the minutes. Dennis Levenson, County Clerk, letter is reviewed and is attached. Grant for Winchester Ave. was given in the sum of \$190,000. Contract with Margate City Lifeguards is complete and will be presented as a Resolution on May 21st.

Mr. Abbott: Jim Galantino's Flood Insurance and Rating and Credits will be addressed in the very near future to resolve the issue.

Mr. Shannon: Ready for the election.

Mr. Verna: Phase II Reconstruction Project will be completed this year. Bond money will be for Solar Panels on this building. We have contracted for Maintenance to get them back up and functioning so that the municipality can receive credits. We are working with Atlantic Coast Alarm to get a system in place. 1 S. Washington Ave is getting ready for demo and construction.

Commissioner Blumberg: Nothing to report.

Commissioner Taube: Nothing to report.

Mayor Becker: Nothing to report.

Public Participation:

John Sewell; 22 West Drive, Atlantic Ave. repainting. Bids on parking lot. Repaving curb to curb.

Steve Altman; 9003 Amherst Ave. Playground on Union Ave. needs the tape adjusted for safety. Should be able to talk for more than three minutes. White House Task Force has involvement including training in Reports at Community Meetings.

Sharon Simon; 424 N Thurlow Ave., comments on Mr. Deaney being brilliant, his comprehensive information on streets. No control over the utilities but the debt should be cut. Mayor Becker and Commissioner stopped all road work. Commented on Station Two.

On motion by Ms. Taube, second by Mr. Becker public portion was closed with a vote of three ayes. On motion by Mr. Blumberg, second by Ms. Taube the meeting was adjourned with a vote of 3 ayes.

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

Attest: _____ Deborah J. Smith, Acting City Clerk