

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

JULY 2, 2015

MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY

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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. Amodeo and Mr. Blumberg were present. The following department heads were present: Ms. Larkin, Mr. Walberg, Mr. Galantino, Mr. Ricciotti, Mr. Rubin, Chief Wolfson, Chief Tabasso, Mr. Verna, Ms. McLaughlin. Mr. Deane and Mr. Abbott were also present.

Department Reports:

Mr. Wahlberg: Reviews his status report. Award of Municipal Building generators after being rebid. Reviews for back bay dredging status.

Mr. Ricciotti: Busy, Mulch for the playground behind the Municipal building is being delivered earlier than expected. Should be completed by the end of next week. City will have double trash pickup on the beach over the weekend. Decatur Ave pump station needs repair. Have incurred a few water and sewer breaks this week. Moving out the last of the boxes from Washington Ave to Municipal Building this week. Preparing for Beachstock next weekend.

Chief Tabasso: Fire Department and Beach Patrol are good and everyone is ready for fireworks.

Ms. McLaughlin: Next meeting will present the six month Status report. Election cost are reviewed and shown to be much less than previously reported.

Chief Wolfson: Department is ready for the big weekend.

Mr. Deane: The beaches are in great shape. The beach patrol records show that they are in great shape. Orientation is open to the public. Staff is helping with the reorganization of the commissioners.

Mr. Abbott: Reviews the Ordinances and Resolutions on the Regular Meeting Agenda and corrects the name of Elias Manos.

Mr. Rubin: Planning has put in place a License Review Committee. There are seven planning board cases this month and we are very busy. On track with Ponzio and Mazer's study.

Jim Galantino: Demolition of 438 N Vendome Ave will happen next week. We have been able to get thru all the layers red tape of the in lieu of foreclosure situation. There is a proposal of a Concrete Ordinance. 7 S Washington Ave. is down and clean. There was a conference call with Senator Menendez office which informed us of Sandy claims being reopened.

Ms. Larkin: Town is packed. Thanks Jim for the credit card availability coming.

Mr. Verna: there has been record storage preparation going on upstairs. Thank you goes out to Bob Gilmour and Frank Ricciotti. There were electrical issues at 1 S. Washington and the electrical staff was there to help out. Public works do important things.

Commissioner Blumberg: would like to change parking restrictions on beach block to 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Would like to see better signage. Traffic is a concern. Would like to see a push to move traffic pattern to one lane in each direction. Thank you to the police and Fire Department.

Commissioner Amodeo: Thank you to our professionals, Scott, Rich, Tony and Dave.

Mayor Becker: Thank you everyone, it is an honor to sit up here as Mayor.

Public Participation:

John Sewell; 22 West Drive: Request that the City petitions Trenton to repeal "Pedestrian Right of Way". Inquires as to "Dumpster Ordinance" applying to PODS. Feels that the State should have a separate foreclosure court to expedite the process.

Steven Altman, 9003 Amherst Ave: Likes the Idea on single lane on Atlantic Avenue and would like the commission to take a look at Amherst Ave.

Steve Worner, 103 N. Sumner Ave: Concerned Citizens Group voted in favor of slower speed limits.

On motion by Mr. Blumberg, second by Mr. Amodeo public portion was closed with a vote of three ayes. On motion by Mr. Blumberg, second by Mr. Amodeo 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