

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

**NOVEMBER 5, 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: Mr. Walberg, Mr. Ricciotti, Mr. Verna, Mr. Rubin, Ms. Larkin, Mr. Galantino, Chief Wolfson, and Chief Tabasso. Mr. Deaney and Mr. Abbott were also present.

**Items for Discussion:**

- D1. Promotion of Fred Feliciano
- D2. Flood Prevention – Mr. Abbott addressed the proposed Ordinance on Flood Prevention with minor changes.
- D3. Energy Aggregation – Mr. Abbott recommends the Resolution be placed on today's agenda.
- D4. Beach Ice Cream Vending Contract – Mr. Abbott recommends placing on next agenda with review of current contract for price and size.
- D5. 2015 Summary and 2016 Recommendation for use of City Space – Mr. Verna recommends AARP having access to the All Purpose Room for assistance to senior citizens filing of tax returns again. Possibly using the All Purpose Room for the Recreation Department when Old City Hall is completed.

**Department Reports:**

Mr. Verna: Discusses the design of Municipal Building. Solar panels are fully functional and waiting for the recording system to begin.

Ms. Larkin: The court is OK.

Mr. Galantino: There have been 45 tear downs to date and 22 house raisings. The city is moving forward.

Mr. Rubin: Public hearing for Post Sandy Phase I is tonight at 7pm. Phase II is underway. There has been a tremendous amount of information gathered which has been used in a vast amount of ways.

Ms. Casey: The election went well and the turnout was greater than anticipated. All went well.

Mr. Deaney: Reads report on Dune Litigation response. The City will be asking for a six month stay.

Chief Wolfson: Amherst Avenue will be closed at Harding Avenue for one week to allow the lines to be installed. January 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> are the days for accreditation.

Chief Tabasso: Bid opening for the Ambulance was today. There was one bid proposal which looks to meet what the Fire Department was looking for. Thursday November 12<sup>th</sup> 10 AM is the ceremony for the new Quint Fire truck. The presentation will be short and meaningful. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. Ricciotti: Public works is very busy marking water and sewer lines. The bids for the painting of Gladstone Ave. water tower were this morning. Testing Holiday Lighting.

Mr. Walberg: Reviews the projects progression around the city.

Mr. Blumberg: Nothing to report.

Mr. Amodeo: Margate Bridge will be shut down the week of November 16<sup>th</sup> for major repairs.

Mr. Becker: reports on the large number of project which have and are occurring around the city at an estimated cost of five or six million dollars at no cost to the property owners in property tax dollars.

**Public Participation:**

Steve Altman: 9003 Amherst Ave, Inquires as to how much of the \$200,000 funds for Dune Litigation are left?

John Sewell: 22 West Drive, comments oath to uphold the NJ Constitution. Reports on the School Board giving out raises. The Margate Bridge, the only privately owned bridge in the state should be owned by the city.

Mr. Rose: 509 N Union Ave, speaks on street flooding.

Steve Worner, 103 N Sumner Ave, speaks against funding the dune opposition.

Carla Glass: 410 N Union speaks on street flooding.

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 three ayes.

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

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ Deborah J. Smith, Acting City Clerk