

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

July 6, 2017

MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY

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The Margate City Board of Commissioners held a work meeting on the above date at 4:10 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. Ricciotti, Mr. Galantino, Ms. McLaughlin, Ms. Casey, Mr. McLarnon, Chief Tabasso and Chief Wolfson. Mr. Walberg and Mr. Abbott were also present.

Swearing in of Firefighter: Darren Hutchinson

Items for Discussion:

D1. Wendy Dickstein- 9600 Atlantic Ave Condo – Speaks on signs which could be provided by free.

D2. Closed Session- 4:00pm- Personnel

On motion by, Mr. Amodeo, second by Mayor Becker the meeting was adjourned with a vote of three ayes.

On motion by, Mr. Amodeo, second by Mayor Becker the meeting was reconvened with a vote of three ayes.

Mr. Abbott reviews the closed session for the records. No action was taken.

Department Reports:

Chief Tabasso- Thank you Commission for our new firefighter. It was a very busy weekend and all went smooth.

Scott Abbott- Addresses Commission regarding Lease Agreement for trash containers on Haverford Avenue.

Commission Blumberg suggests License Agreement Resolution #121-2017 be postponed.

Mr. Ricciotti- Very busy holiday weekend/week. Well #5 was up and running. Beach Headquarters had a new hot water installed. Beachstock was very busy and went smooth as well.

Mr. Galantino- Requests a better ordinance for permits regarding demolitions.

Ms. Casey- The City bike auction will be held this Saturday, July 8, 2017 at the Police Department on Decatur Ave. at 10 am.

Ms. McLaughlin- Post Sandy Grants are all uploaded and were approve from the State however no funds have been granted yet. Thank you to the MBA Beachstock this year was tremendous.

Mr. Abbott- Thank you Lisa for all your hard work.

Chief Wolfson- Police Department was very busy and received 411 calls throughout the weekend. Washington and Amherst, we issued 22 summonses in that area. The Police Department and the Recreation Department are working together to have Teen Night on 7/15, 7/22, 8/5, 8/12. Wawa detail is working out tremendously. Regarding the last meeting complaint on Clermont Ave, we did a study and at this time we do not feel there is a problem. We will continue to monitor this area.

Ms. Larkin- The Courtroom Risk Assessment was done of this facility and the security system is top notch.

Mr. Deaney- The Shared Service Resolution for the Library with Longport recommendation comes directly from Margate Library.

Mr. Walberg- State Aid reconstruction is now complete. 2015-2016 Road Program is also completed except a few punch list items. Trees in the Gladstone Ave. park which have died due to the water tower painting, will be replaced once the weather cools down. Tighe School Storm Sewer punch list items will be corrected once they blacktop the Tighe School parking lot.

Mr. McLarnon- Zoning office has been very business. If possible I would suggest we do a permit application and charge fees for permit.

Mr. Blumberg- Thank you to Chief Wolfson for working with Andrew Miles to get Teen Night started. Thank you MBA for hosting a fantastic Beachstock. Thank you to Margate Library and Mayor Becker along with Tom Giegerich, Bay Atlantic Sympathy for an amazing concert on July 3rd.

Mayor Becker- The Bay Atlantic Sympathy was a fabulous concert for Margate City.

Mr. Amodeo- Thank you for the Margate team effort and the tremendous work throughout July 4th weekend.

Public Participation:

Wendy Dickstein- 9600 Atlantic Ave- Speaks on banning smoking on the beach.

Kim Burns- 626 N. Shore Road Absecon, NJ- Speaks on smoking ban on beaches throughout NJ.

Ben Shore- 8804 Amherst Ave- Speaks on curfew laws in Margate.

John Sewell- 22 West Drive- Speaks on Smoke Ban on beaches.

Aledo Santori- 105 S. Iroquois Ave- Speaks on trash barrels for Iroquois Avenue beach.

Maury Blumberg- Thank you to Frank Ricciotti and Public works for the trash cans at the bulkheads.

Steve Jasiecki- 112 N Lancaster Ave.- Speaks in favor of smoking ban on the beaches, trees that need to be replaced and the Green Team is working on a Community Forest Management Plan.

Steve Leiberman- 59 Seaside Court- Speaks against trash containers on public sidewalks for Margate businesses.

Ed Berger- 9402 Amherst Ave. – Thank you Margate Mothers for the wonderful Fireworks. Speaks on Balloon Ordinance in Margate and it has been great for the environment.

Beachstock was a huge success and we hope to put on more events for the 2018 Summer Season. Surf Fishing Derby is going to be pushed back to October in hopes the Dunes Project is finished. Thrilling Thursday movie night is cancelled for tonight and will be tomorrow Friday instead. Addresses conversation with Steve Leiberman.

Steve Woerner- 103 N. Sumner Ave- Speaks on the holiday weekend being a success.

Speaks on Margate attracting more young kids and there needs to be more activities.

Chuck Shayman - 1 N Granville Ave - speaks on Smoking ban.

Allen Gallar- 107 S Essex- Speaks on Pods and containers on the City streets in regards to children's safety.

Mayor Becker- Addresses residents concern for Pod and Containers on City Street.

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

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

Mayor, Michael Becker

Commissioner John F. Amodeo

Commissioner Maury Blumberg

Attest: _____
Johanna Casey, RMC City Clerk