

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

February 15, 2018

MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY

THE PRESS AND THE DOWNBEACH CURRENT WERE NOTIFIED OF THIS MEETING AND A COPY OF SAME WAS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND THE MUNICIPAL WEBSITE

The Margate City Board of Commissioners held a work meeting on the above date at 4:05 p.m. The meeting began with a flag salute & roll call: Mayor Becker, Commissioner Amodeo and Commissioner Blumberg were present. The following department heads were present: Acting Administrator Ms. Bascelli, Ms. McLaughlin and Ms. Casey. Mr. Walberg and Mr. Abbott were also present.

SWEARING IN OF FIRE CHIEF DANIEL ADAMS:

Commissioner Amodeo administered the Oath of Office to Fire Chief Daniel Adams.

Best wishes on a well-deserved and awaited promotion with an Outpouring of Congratulations from the Board of Commissioners, staff and citizens of the City of Margate.

Department Reports:

Mr. Walberg: Mr. Walberg reported on two existing/pending projects getting ready to start construction; *Check Valve Installation:* Pipes have been measured; contractor has ordered the valves and anticipates for work to begin in March with a deadline of April 25th, 2018 to complete installation. *The Beach Street End Storm Sewer System:* Contractor confirmed that all castings have been ordered beginning at Union Avenue then Vendome Avenue and continue towards Ventnor Ave. In closing, Mr. Walberg informed the Board that either himself or someone from his office will be attending the weekly meetings that the Army Corps will be holding to coordinate between their project and his projects.

Ms. Bascelli: As a follow up to the agenda items discussed during the Capital Meeting, Ms. Bascelli reiterated the need for the Board to obtain updated numbers from the staff members that contributed to the list before they are considered for introduction.

Ms. McLaughlin: Ms. Laughlin confirmed that she will be working on the Budget next week to fine tune it and anticipates introducing it on March 15th in hopes to adopt on April 19th.

Ms. Casey: Ms. Casey reminded the Board Members that it's almost time for them to file their yearly Financial Disclosure Statements and to check their emails for that information.

Mr. Abbott: Nothing to report today.

Commissioner Blumberg: Commissioner Blumberg asked the Department Heads to coordinate with Johanna if they have any flyers or information they would like to include and share with the residents for it to be added to the yearly tax bills mailer that should be going next week.

Commissioner Amodeo: Commissioner Amodeo discussed that he had a preliminary conversation with Chief Smallwood from the Beach Patrol, who shared his concerns with the transportation of Handicapped individuals this summer and brought up the idea of considering purchasing or renting a low speed vehicle to be driven by Beach Badge Checkers over 18 years of age to aid our handicapped gain access to the beach. Mayor Becker was glad that the topic was brought up and concurred with Commissioner Amodeo's proposal, seconded by Commissioner Blumberg, to have a future discussion on this topic.

Mr. Walberg: Reported that he just received an email from his office informing him that there was an urgent need for a Resolution to be introduced and approved requesting a six month extension for the FY 2016 State Aid which needed to be submitted to the DOT by February 23rd for consideration; Mr. Walberg asked the Board of Commissioners for the possibility of a verbal resolution to be added to today's agenda to be followed by a written one.

Public Participation:

Steve Altman: 9003 Amherst Avenue: Requested the flyer or notice include in the yearly water bill mailer remind drivers to yield the right of way to pedestrians.

John Sewell: 22 West Drive: Mr. Sewell speaks against Dunes and requests that Dune grass be kept groomed.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Mayor Becker called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Amodeo and seconded by Commissioner Blumberg to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

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