## WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES CITY COMMISSION – MARGATE CITY

### SEPTEMBER 5, 2019

## MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY

THE ATLANTIC CITY PRESS AND THE STAR LEDGER 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 4:00 p.m. The meeting began with a flag salute & roll call: Mayor Michael Becker; Commissioner John Amodeo and Commissioner Maury Blumberg were present. The following department heads were also present: Chief Matt Hankinson, Fred Verna, Frank Ricciotti, Jim Galantino, Chief Dan Adams, Roger McLarnon, Lisa McLaughlin and Johanna Casey. Ed Dennis, Scott Abbott and Rich Deaney were also present.

## **Department Reports:**

**Chief Adams:** Last Friday Deputy Chief Winneberger of the Margate Fire Department and Mike Cincota of the Margate Beach Patrol retired. There is going to be a 911 Ceremony in front of the fire station on Ventnor Avenue on 9/11/19 at 10am.

**Lisa McLaughlin:** Still waiting for the final health insurance rates from the state for renewal. There is to be a cost reduction of 4.3%. Not recommending the city pay a \$2000 health insurance carrier cost requested this year.

Mayor Becker, Commissioner Amodeo, and Commissioner Blumberg: Agree with the recommendation.

Lisa McLaughlin: Open enrollment will be in October. Recommending an increase in beach fees, and water and sewer rates next year. Will bring a proposal to the commission.

Chief Hankinson: Speaks on the decrease in motor vehicle accidents this Summer.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on the resolutions on tonight's agenda.

**Ed Dennis:** Wants to make residents aware that we are entering construction season.

**Frank Ricciotti:** Public Works is getting ready for the storm heading up the coast this week. Assisting with Saturday's Surf for a Cause Contest. Flower beds at schools were mulched. Ball fields were aerated, fertilized and seeded. Labor Day weekend went smoothly. Gearing up for the Margate Fun Fest.

**Scott Abbott:** Margate won the Two Sister's litigation. Speaks on the importance of projects being done to eliminate flood damage. Praises the work being done by Ed Dennis.

**Commissioner Blumberg:** Thanks all the municipality departments for their extra efforts and great service during the Summer season

**Commissioner Amodeo:** Was a great and safe summer. The business community did well also. Will be honoring Deputy Chief Winneberger at the September 19, 2019 commission meeting. Mentions the outstanding job Mike Cincota did with the beach patrol. Dr. Michael Sarnoff donated a handicapped wheelchair for the beach. Chief Adams does a great job with the 911 ceremony. The official last day of guarded beaches will be September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Becker: Margate is a great place to be. Successfully completed another great Summer.

#### **Public Comment:.**

John Sewell, 22 West Drive: Follows up on remarks made by the CFO and the Municipal Solicitor.

# Adjournment:

There being no further business, Mayor Becker called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Blumberg and seconded by Commissioner Amodeo to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

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

Mayor, Michael Becker

Commissioner John F. Amodeo

Commissioner Maury Blumberg

Johanna Casey, RMC City Clerk