

**MINUTES
WORKSHOP/CAPITAL MEETING
CITY OF MARGATE**

JULY 7, 2022

MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY

Call Meeting to Order – 3:00 p.m.

Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act:

The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for this meeting have been satisfied; a copy of the Annual Meetings Notice was sent to the Atlantic City Press, and the Star Ledger, posted on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building, the Municipal Website, and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Johanna Casey, City Clerk: Reads the statement of compliance, followed with the flag salute and roll call is taken.

Roll Call – Board of Commissioners:

Mayor Becker, Commissioner Amodeo and Commissioner Blumberg were present. Chief Matt Hankinson, Chief Dan Adams, Frank Ricciotti, Lisa McLaughlin, Ed Dennis, Johanna Casey, Rich Deaney, and Scott Abbott, Esquire were also present.

Audit Report:

Michael Garcia, Ford Scott & Associates: Speaks on the procedures of an annual audit and summarizes findings of the 2021 municipal audit.

Engineer Report:

Ed Dennis: As soon as soil sample testing results are received from Stockton University's Coastal Research Center, the Beach Thoroughfare Dredging permit application will be submitted to the NJ Department of Environmental Protection and US Army Corps of Engineers. The Tidelands application for Shelter Island has already been submitted.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on getting separate permits for dredging the back bay and using Shelter Island as a disposal site for dredged material. Recommends moving forward with reviewing proposals for the dredging project.

Commissioner Blumberg: Recommends reviewing proposals, so things will be in place if and when approvals for dredging and using Shelter Island are received.

Ed Dennis: By getting approval to use Shelter Island, it would save Margate City from having to pay for a disposal site for dredged material. There is no guarantee that the application to use Shelter Island as a dredge disposal site will be approved.

Scott Abbott: Speaks on the process of getting approval for using a dredge hole.

Ed Dennis: Speaks on the progress of getting approval for funding from FEMA for the flood proofing of Fire Station #1 and Historic City Hall. Speaks on 2022 Capital Program projects which are all in the engineering phase: 2020 & 2021 CDBG Beach Bulkhead Access-Knight Avenue & Union Avenue, 2022 Curb & Gutter Program, Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex Walkway Replacement, Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex Wall of Fame, Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex Batting Cage Replacement and the 2022 NJDOT State Aid Reconstruction of Winchester Avenue.

Commissioner Amodeo: Inquires about the material to be used for the running track at the Sigmund Rimm Recreational complex.

Ed Dennis: Pervious pavement is to be used for the running track. Speaks on the three project applications submitted for state aid. Speaks on the HVAC replacement and roof project being done on the Margate Library. No update on the any of the grant applications previously submitted. Will be meeting with Rich Deaney to go over other projects which are part to the 2022 Capital budget. No update on open maintenance bonds. Provides the status of projects in closeout phase. Follow up is being done on the items still remaining on the Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue Phase I-Douglas Avenue to Clarendon Avenue punch list. Items on the 2021 NJDOT State Aid -Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue Phase 2-Douglass Avenue to Gladstone Avenue punch list are being worked on by the contractor. Speaks on the progress being made on the Municipal Building Interior Renovations Project. Phase I of the 2021 Road Program is completed

and Phase Two will start in fall 2022. Still waiting for the HVAC unit to arrive to complete the HVAC Replacement at the Margate Library.

Department Head Reports:

Scott Abbott: Speak on the lawsuit involving Mathis Construction and the Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue- Phase I.

Frank Ricciotti: Vegetation is being planted on city properties. No problems with BeachStock or July 4th fireworks, except for a minor fire. Finished power washing the Washington Avenue pier and painting the pillars. Speaks on a meeting held with Atlantic County Utility Authority to discuss the pumping of waste water.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on enforcing of city ordinances. Compliments all the departments that worked over the July 4th weekend. Bloom Pavilion project of updating doors and locks is complete. Historic City Hall screens and windows have been cleaned. Fred Verna completed the conversion of emails to an updated system.

Chief Hankinson: Speaks on the number of people in Margate over the July 4th weekend and calls for service. Focus has been put on ways to calm traffic.

Lisa McLaughlin: Speaks on the annual municipal audit. Waiting to receive the second America Recovery funding. Will be sending out the six-month status report.

Chief Adams: Says thank you to the departments who provided assistance with the July 4th fireworks, and the Margate Mother's Association for funding the July 4th fireworks. Speaks on departments working together.

Johanna Casey: District 3 and District 4 voters will have to vote at the Tighe School on general election day due to the delay in progress of work being done at the municipal building.

Commissioner Amodeo: Speaks on how well things went over the July 4th weekend. Compliments the police department and the fire department for the work done over the weekend.

Commissioner Blumberg: Speaks on the great events held in Margate over the past two weeks.

Mayor Becker: Great to be part of Margate.

Chief Adams: The Fire Department's Open House has been moved to Monday July 18, 2022 at the Margate Library.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on removing the three proposed ordinances that were to be adopted at tonight's commission meeting. Requesting the commissioners allow these three ordinances to be moved to a future commission meeting.

Mayor Becker, Commissioner Amodeo, Commissioner Blumberg: All agree to move the three ordinances till after the planning board has submitted their comments.

Johanna Casey: Would like it on record that the advertising of the three ordinances for public comment and adoption cannot be pulled due to the time frame.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on tabling Resolution #147-2022 due to unexpected issues that need to be resolved by the municipality's purchasing agent.

Public Comment:

Seeing that there were no comments, a motion to close Public Comments was put forth by Commissioner Blumberg, seconded by Commissioner Amodeo, with a vote of three ayes.

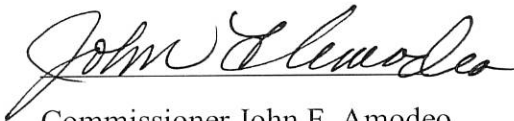
Adjournment:

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 3:41 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

