

MINUTES
CAPITAL/WORKSHOP MEETING CITY OF MARGATE

NOVEMBER 5, 2020

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.

Roll Call – Board of Commissioners:

Lisa Hagan, Assistant to City Clerk, reads the statement of compliance, followed with the flag salute and roll call: Mayor Becker, Commissioner Amodeo were present. Commissioner Blumberg has an excused absence. Rich Deaney, Lisa McLaughlin, Frank Ricciotti, Chief Dan Adams, Chief Hankinson, Jim Galantino, Roger McLarnon, Ed Dennis, Scott Abbott, and Lisa Hagan were also present.

Discussion:

Lisa McLaughlin: Speaks on the 2020 Municipal Best Practices Inventory. Recommends applying the 2020 Atlantic County Joint Insurance Fund dividend to the 2021 assessment.

Rich Deaney: Inquires as to how the city can be removed from the Atlantic County Joint Insurance Fund's Retrospective Program.

Lisa McLaughlin: The Retrospective Program will be discussed at tomorrow's finance committee meeting.

Chief Adams: Speaks on recent claim losses being low. Cannot be removed from the Retrospective Program till a designated time frame has gone by.

Rich Deaney: Inquires about an increase in municipal funding of pensions.

Lisa McLaughlin: Will investigate the increase in pension funds on the state's website and will inform Mr. Deaney of findings. Speaks on a resolution on tonight's agenda to apply for a grant to assist in covering additional costs incurred due to COVID-19.

Ed Dennis: Gives an update to the Dredging Project and the Shelter Island disposal site. No update on the Washington Avenue/Ventnor Avenue Intersection and Ventnor Avenue Streetscape Project. Speaks on an ordinance being prepared to keep the GIS Mapping System updated.

Roger McLarnon: Speaks on the ordinance being drafted to cover updates to GIS Mapping.

Ed Dennis: Speaks on the status of the Fire House Flood Proofing Project. The Beach and Dune Permit was finally approved. A virtual presentation on the proposed Atlantic Avenue Road Diet will be available to the public, tentatively the first week of December 2020. Information is being compiled for a cost analysis required for the Adams Avenue Pump Station Concept grant application.

Rich Deaney: Requests updates on the Adams Avenue Pump Station Concept grant application.

Ed Dennis: Speaks on the 2021 Water Utility Risk and Resilience Assessment and Emergency Response Plan.

Rich Deaney: Requests cost figures for the 2021 Water Utility Risk and Resilience Assessment and Emergency Response Plan be given to him by December 31, 2020.

Ed Dennis: The Benson Avenue Water Tank Interior Painting Project bid opening will be held on November 13, 2020. Speaks on the bids received on November 5, 2020 for the Amherst Avenue Promenade.

Mayor Becker: States there is urgency to getting the Amherst Avenue Promenade Project done by next summer.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on aspects to awarding the bid for the Amherst Avenue Promenade Project.

Ed Dennis: No update from the Army Corps of Engineers as to the cutting of the bolts.

Commissioner Amodeo: Believes the cutting of the bolts will end up being Margate City's responsibility.

Ed Dennis: All caught up on maintenance bonds. Anticipates the 2016 Safe Roots to School Project to be closed at the next commission meeting. The punch list for the 2017 Reconstruction of Atlantic Avenue is to be completed. Gives an update on the Reconstruction of Bayshore Drive West. Remaining electrical work from the Amherst Avenue Bulkhead Replacement is being coordinated into the Amherst Avenue Promenade Project. Gives an update to the 2018 & 2019 Reconstruction of Atlantic Avenue. The pump is to be re-installed in Well No. 10 this week. Gives an update on the 2019 CDBG Beach Access at Argyle Avenue Project. Notices to proceed have been given to the contractors for both the Amherst Avenue Phase I and the 2019 & 2020 Curb and Gutter Program Phase 2 Program. Speaks on the resolution for emergency repair work to be done at the Police Station.

Rich Deaney: Requests Brunswick Court be included in the next phase of the Curb & Gutter Program.

Ed Dennis: Speaks on being aware of residents' concerns and the issues with water on Brunswick Court.

Mayor Becker: Requests the residents on Brunswick Court be updated on what was discussed tonight.

Chief Adams: Speaks on escape harness training all firefighters received.

Chief Hankinson: Speaks on motor vehicle accidents decreasing 20% through 2019. The Police Department is participating again this year in "No Shave November" to raise money for cancer patients.

Jim Galantino: Speaks on amendments to be made to Ordinance #11-2020, being introduced tonight, involving pile driving.

Roger McLarnon: Spoke to Scott Abbott who feels it can be introduced tonight with minor amendments to be made. States the title wording on the agenda for Ordinance #11-2020, being introduced tonight, has changed because a whole new chapter was created for pile driving. States it can still be introduced at tonight's meeting.

Rich Deaney: States Ordinance #11-2020 should be introduced as verbally amended.

Lisa McLaughlin: Gives the pension figures.

Roger McLarnon: Speaks on Land Use Ordinance #12-2020 being adapted at tonight's meeting and the constancy report available. Recommends extending outdoor seating zoning permits.

Commissioner Amodeo: There needs to be more discussion regarding extending outdoor dining.

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 Mayor Becker to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 3:44p.m.

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



Mayor, Michael Becker



Commissioner John F. Amodeo



Commissioner Maury Blumberg

Attest: 
