

March 6, 2014  
Margate City, New Jersey

The Board of Commissioners held its Regular Meeting on the above date at 5:00 p.m. The meeting began with a flag salute and roll call: Mr. Becker, Mr. Blumberg & Ms. Taube were present. Chief Wolfson (Assistant City Administrator) & Mr. Abbott were both present. Minutes from February 20, 2014 were approved as read on motion by Ms. Taube with a vote of two ayes. *(Mr. Blumberg did not vote since he was absent on 2/6/14)*

**Public Comment:** John Sewell: enact a cloth jaw strap ordinance. Sharon Simon: legal fees too high & thought putting Ms. Taube's letter to Ford Scott re: Tom Hiltner prior to the 2011 Audit was poor decision and may cause more legal problems. Ed Berger: beach advertising good idea for small businesses in Margate & is non-obtrusive and tasteful. *(Mr. Blumberg: advertising approved by 2 previous commissions unanimously, therefore, any changes should be made by full commission vote. Favors continuing the advertising since these businesses help the city in many ways throughout the year. Ms. Taube disagreed with Mr. Blumberg and is opposed to beach advertising & it has no value to the city).* Steve Woerner: if advertising is continued the city should raise its rates. This portion was closed on motion with a vote of three ayes.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:** John Sewell: commented on Resolutions #55 *(legal fees already too high)*, #60 *(Mr. Hiltner explained)*, and #65 *(oversight urged)*. Ed Berger described trees available through #65. Sharon Simon: Resolution #62 *(wait on this until policy set especially since Mr. Deane suggested same)* & Steve Woerner disputed Ms. Simon. Mr. Blumberg read an email from Mr. Deane explaining his opinion that a policy should be in place before naming public land for someone; city has never allowed this before. This portion was closed on motion by Ms. Taube with a vote of three ayes.

**Agenda Items:** All ordinances will be advertised according to law by the City Clerk's office. The second reading & public hearing for Ordinance #9 is scheduled for April 17th @ 5:00 p.m. All ordinances may be found in full in the City Ordinance Book located in City Hall.

**Ordinance #06** An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of An Undersized Lot without Street Frontage Identified as Lot 38 Block 401, Sale Being Authorized Pursuant to NJSA 40A:12-13(b)(5) was adopted on motion by Mr. Becker with a vote of three ayes.

**Ordinance #07** Bond Ordinance Appropriating \$3,734,000 & Issuance of \$3,547,300 in Bonds and Notes for Various Capital Improvements was adopted on motion by Mr. Becker with a vote of 3 ayes.

**Ordinance #08** Bond Ordinance for Various Water & Sewer Utility Capital Improvements in and By the City of Margate Appropriating \$974,299 and Authorizing the Issuance of \$974,299 Bonds or Notes for Financing the Cost Thereof was adopted on motion by Ms. Taube with a vote of three ayes.

**Ordinance #09** Bond Ordinance Providing for Capital Improvements & Extraordinary Repairs in and by the City of Margate Necessitated by Hurricane Sandy & Appropriating \$1,670,250 Therefore & Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,670,250 Bonds or Notes for Financing the Cost Thereof *(Improvements to Union Avenue Municipal Building & Washington Avenue City Hall)* was introduced on motion by Mr. Blumberg with a vote of three ayes.

**RESOLUTIONS** were adopted unanimously on motion with a vote of three ayes with the exceptions of **#58 Authorize Payment to Colmar Home Center** *(adopted on motion by Mr. Blumberg with a vote of 2 ayes - Mr. Becker recused himself)* and **#59 Authorize Payment to Jersey Architectural Door Co.** *(adopted on motion by Mr. Becker with a vote of 2 ayes - Mr. Blumberg recused himself)*. All may be found in full in the following pages.

#54 Authorize Payment of Claims and Payroll *(Becker)*

#55 Award Professional Services Contract to Gruccio Pepper not to exceed \$18,000 *(Becker)*

#56 Authorize Application for Section 5310 Program Funding from the Federal Transit Administration *(Blumberg)*

#57 Urge the US House of Representatives to Immediately Pass the Homeowners Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014 *(Becker)*

#58 See above

#59 See above

#60 Award Professional Services Contract to Associates for Life Enhancement @ \$412.00 monthly *(Taube)*

#61 Approve Change Order for Beach Stair Replacement (decrease of \$1240.00) *(Becker)*

#62 Authorize Dedication Margate Dog Park to Anne Pancoast *(Taube)*

#63 Authorize Application to Local Finance Board *(Becker)*

#64 Amend 2014 Temporary Budget *(Taube)*

#65 Support NJ Tree Recovery Campaign *(Taube)*

#66 Authorize Executive Session per NJSA 10:4-12 (b) (7) – Blumberg with a vote of two ayes and one nay *(Taube)*

The Regular meeting was recessed @ 5:40 pm on motion with a vote of three ayes for executive session. Minutes were taken at this session & will be available in a timely manner in accordance with law. This meeting was closed on motion with a vote of three ayes.

The Regular meeting reconvened @ 6:10 pm & called to order on motion by Ms. Taube with a vote of three ayes. Mr. Abbott explained in public session that the commissioners vigorously discussed the anticipated litigation over the discharge of a Public Works employee with no action taken. With no further business the Regular meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Blumberg with a vote of three ayes.

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Mayor Becker

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Ms. Taube

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Mr. Blumberg

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ Thomas D. Hiltner, City Clerk