

June 5, 2014
Margate City, New Jersey

THE PRESS AND THE DOWNBEACH CURRENT WERE NOTIFIED OF THESE MEETINGS AND A COPY OF SAME WAS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AND THE MUNICIPAL WEBSITE

Bids were received on 5/29/14 @ 11:00 a.m. in the Municipal Building for “Municipal Building Upgrades – Phase I” as advertised. Falasca Mechanical, 3329 North Mill Road, Vineland, NJ 08360 was the only bidder: \$158,600 (Base Bid), \$193,360 (Alternate Bid #1), \$198,960 (Alternate Bid #2). The bid will be reviewed & a recommendation of award will be made.

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: Mr. Becker, Mr. Blumberg, & Mr. Abbott were present & Ms. Taube was absent. The following department heads were present: Mr. Rubin, Ms. Larkin, Ms. Freed, Mr. Galantino, Mr. Ricciotti, Mr. Walberg, Mr. Deaney, Chiefs Tabasso & Wolfson.

Department Reports

Mr. Becker reported on the DUNES project: State appraisers are in town, Participation Agreement has been signed & sent to DEP, this is the last chance to have attorney represent Margate against the dunes since everything now in motion by the state. (*Mr. Blumberg gave the names of 3 firms & Mr. Becker one name to Mr. Deaney for him to contact.*) Additionally, per Bill Dixon, DEP Coastal Engineer, Amherst Avenue Bulkhead Project a 2015 top priority for state funding (*notification will be made upon July adoption of state budget*); dredging now under DOT domain & Mr. Dixon offered his assistance

Mr. Galantino: Official FEMA map should be completed by October 2015 & looks to be the same as the preliminary map

Chief Wolfson: Presented Memorial Day statistics: 77 motor vehicle stops, 26 ordinance violations, 25 public urination; Click it or Ticket program on May 19th – 156 motor vehicle stops; John Oakes rehired as SLEO by resolution tonight & possibly 2 additional officers later
Chief Tabasso: May 30th general alarm fire in Ventnor Heights – mutual aid response; beach patrol increases on 6/14 with full work force on June 28th (*Ventnor residents near fire area thankful for Margate’s assistance*)

Mr. Walberg: Recommendation of award for Municipal Building Upgrades made (*will be added to tonight’s Agenda*); general update of ongoing projects; streetscaping grant money used for summer bid and work to begin in the fall; roads selected for 2014-15 Road Program based on utilities; dry weather flooding at Washington Avenue to end of city – valve may be failing since it is approximately 20 years old – replacement estimate \$12,000; \$190,000 received to pave Vendome to Washington Avenues

Mr. Ricciotti: Busy Memorial Day weekend; replacing fencing, brick work, and railings at the Bloom Pavilion

Mr. Rubin: Suggested changes to ordinance regarding size of real estate and developers signs – draft will be submitted for next meeting

Mr. Deaney: Sustainable Margate asked for assistance with eco-friendly purchases where practical (*Mr. Hiltner to assist*); Mr. Blumberg requested looking into hybrid vehicles for city use

Mr. Abbott: Explained Resolution #118 (*will send to attorney representing Lamberti’s*) & Resolution #123 (flower boxes in city right-of-way); Planning Board working on 8500 Ventnor Avenue licensing re: Kenyon and Ventnor Avenues encroachment

Mr. Hiltner: Resolution allowing beach bonfire at Beachstock on tonight’s agenda

Public Participation: John Sewell: laws regarding Dunes must not be arbitrary. Sharon Simon: mayor not representing majority on Dunes. Steve Woerner pro Dunes. Steve Altman: baffling in meeting room very inexpensive (*Mr. Becker: Mr. Verna will check on this*) & would be of great help if the building must be used for emergency. On motion by Mr. Blumberg this portion was closed with a vote of two ayes. On motion by Mr. Blumberg the meeting was adjourned with a vote of 2 ayes.

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

Attest: _____ Thomas D. Hiltner, RMC, City Clerk