

November 20, 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

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, Ms. Taube, and Mr. Blumberg were present. The following department heads were present: Chief Wolfson, Chief Tabasso, Mr. Galantino, Mr. Ricciotti, Mr. Verna, Ms. Larkin, Mr. Rubin, Ms. McLaughlin, Mr. Abbott & Mr. Deaney.

Department Reports

Mr. Rubin: Busy with new homes and house raisings

Mr. Ricciotti: Food drive taking place until 6:00 pm; holiday lighting up and will be turned on November 26th; flushing hydrants this week; 3 water main breaks due to cold; moving files from Washington Avenue to this building

Chief Tabasso: Lunch with Santa scheduled for noon on December 13th; reminder to check carbon monoxide and smoke detectors; firefighters now trained & have on board naloxone to administer for drug overdoses

Ms. McLaughlin: Working on 2015 Budget

Mr. Deaney: Updated Dunes Project – Future project meetings will include city attorneys; State's position is to use emergency powers to take easements through eminent domain rather than follow statutory procedure; Congressman LoBiondo trying to schedule a meeting with ACOE; met with MCQBP to share information for a common acceptable outcome; closed session today with attorneys to discuss this matter

Mr. Deaney for Mr. Walberg: Receipt of bids for Washington Avenue project rescheduled for 12/10 @ 11am; State Aid Grant - \$190,000 – received for paving; Gas Co. major construction to change to high pressure gas within the city – engineering inspector to be on site

Mr. Abbott: Rumson Avenue bulkhead completed – waiting for engineer certification of work – 7' strip to be deeded to homeowner; Quincy Avenue appraisal completed with more residents expressing interest in purchasing strip in question; Fishing Pier officers updated DUNES information – nothing in writing yet from ACOE but told the pier will extend further into the ocean & discussion on bulkheads and land at Exeter Avenue owned by pier

Ms. Taube: November 29th – Support Small Business Day – shop locally; thanks to Public Works for helping with today's food drive; read note from resident thanking fire department for recent assistance with a parent; requested adding a resolution opposing changes to NJ Constitution to allow gambling outside of Atlantic City

Mr. Becker: Requested adding resolution urging Governor to hold town meeting in Atlantic City (approved)

Public Participation: John Sewell – executive orders must be applied uniformly; consider master jetty in Longport for protection; get an agreement with Gas Co. for curb to curb repaving when high pressure gas project completed. Sharon Simon – thanks to Mr. Deaney for meeting with MCQBP; keep Mr. Deaney as point person with this project; place reports on website. Glen Klotz – City should go directly to FEMA in emergency situations (*Mr. Becker will take under advisement*). On motion by Mr. Blumberg this portion was closed with a vote of three ayes. On motion by Mr. Blumberg the meeting was adjourned with a vote of 3 ayes.

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

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