

July 3, 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 June 25, 2014 for 2013 Road Program @ 11:00 am in City Hall. The engineer will make a recommendation of award to the governing body upon review of all bids. The full list of bidders may be found in the following pages.

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: Mr. Walberg, Chiefs Tabasso and Wolfson, Ms. McLaughlin, Mr. Rubin, Mr. Galantino, Mr. Ricciotti, Mr. Abbott & Mr. Deaney.

(1) Ron Kashon promoted to Police Lieutenant, Joseph Kuchmek sworn-in, and Daniel Hillsheim introduced as a new police officer (*transferred from Pennsauken police department*) – Everyone offered congratulations and welcomed the new officers.

(2) Mike Garcia from Ford Scott & Associates presented the 2013 Audit with a brief explanation. The commissioners will review the entire audit and a resolution accepting it will be placed on the next agenda.

(3) Department Reports

Mr. Blumberg proposed a resolution which summarizes the correspondence between the city and the DEP & clearly states the city's position regarding the Dunes Project. All the commissioners agreed to place on tonight's agenda with additional language suggested by Mr. Becker. Upon adoption the resolution will be sent to state officials.

Mr. Abbott: Explained the license agreements & liquor license renewal on tonight's agenda; owner of townhouse at Coolidge & the beach requesting to tear it down and build a single family detached home on the site – law suit filed by other townhouse owners

Mr. Galantino: Monitoring construction sites for cleanliness – will not schedule inspection until cleaned up

Mr. Deaney: Seasonal Employee orientation conducted by Steve Barse & Chief Wolfson completed; recommendation made for random drug testing ordinance mirroring State regulations (*solicitor to provide same*)

Chief Tabasso: Prepared for 4th of July; Fire Dept. night at the Library – 7/9 @ 6:30 pm

Mr. Walberg: Contractors working only on punch list items; meetings with department heads re: Washington Avenue City Hall building; filed application for streetscaping grant; quote requested for check valve for Washington Avenue area (*address "dry flooding"*)

Mr. Ricciotti: Preparing for "Team Will" arrival at Lucy and 4th of July events

Ms. McLaughlin: Clean audit (*no recommendations made*) big accomplishment

Chief Wolfson: "Quality of Life" detail positioned at bar area

Ms. Taube: Presented cost analysis if local students attend Ocean City or Mainland High Schools ("*School Choice Program*") rather than ACHS; residents requested change date for city-wide shredding event to spring; discussed possibility of water taxi; provided legal costs for the past 5 years

Public Participation: John Sewell spoke on master jetty idea instead of dunes. Larry Siegal thanked police for change to egress on Benson to Atlantic Avenue. Steve Paccione concerned about variances for porches and stairs being too close to the sidewalk (*Mr. Rubin to discuss matter privately with him*). Richard Cohen agreed with Mr. Paccione. Sharon Simon felt that Ms. Taube's statements regarding high schools belonged at the School Board meeting & praised ACHS. Mr. Lieberman, 9510 Monmouth Avenue commented on poor public transportation in the city and the lack of taxi regulations (*fees*). Richard Miskowski thanked city for police monitoring and City Hall property upkeep. On motion by Ms. Taube 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