

August 21, 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: Mr. Walberg, Chief Tabasso, Ms. McLaughlin, Mr. Rubin, Mr. Galantino, Mr. Ricciotti, Mr. Abbott & Mr. Deaney. Mr. Hiltner was absent and Ms. Freed was acting Clerk.

Department Reports

Mr. Walberg: Updated projects; Mitigation Grant to be used for 2 generators in this building (\$186,000); plans to go out for bids on 1 S. Washington Avenue building with completion by next summer; Ventnor Avenue Streetscape in review; Well #10 start scheduled for October; Direct Install scheduled for September 8th for this building; Coastal Coalition Group (*public information program*) met today

Mr. Abbott: Explained the decision to hire (1) Rob Andrews from Dilworth Paxson Law Office to represent the City on all levels of government regarding the Dunes Project and its resolution and (2) T & M Associates for coastal engineering consulting services on the same Project – the commissioners unanimously approved these actions at the earlier executive session & the contract awards will be added to tonight's agenda

Mr. Galantino: Quincy Avenue site cleaned; reviewing new methods for pool drainage; discussion on possibility of banning construction on beach blocks from July 1st through August 31st (*Mr. Galantino to question other municipalities on this*)

Mr. Deaney: Cairone & Kaupp submitted a proposal for Parkway Landscaping Concept Plan – 2 concepts have already been reviewed by the staff and now need BOC approval; AARP has requested space in this building for approximately 10 weeks/ 5 hours per day - tax preparations for seniors (*approved*)

Mr. Ricciotti: City Yard very busy

Mr. Rubin: Working with code enforcement on residential lighting standards & checking with other communities on same

Mr. Blumberg: Happy that 1 S. Washington Avenue building progressing and when completed commission meetings & court proceedings will return to the building, housing of the Historical Society, and more parking will be a result of the renovations

Ms. Taube: Agreed with Mr. Blumberg on the above; city will trim trees completed through Streetscape Project not store owners

Mr. Becker: Happy with results of previous executive session and the unanimous decisions made at that meeting.

Public Participation: John Sewell expressed concerns on costs to fight the Dunes Project (*Mr. Abbott responded*); look into grants to add Marven Gardens to Historical Register. Steve Altman suggested lifeguard enforcement of filling in holes made by beach-goers; asked about re-enforcing bay bulkheads (*Mr. Walberg –no activity*), and asked about graduated bonding to help with construction issues. Steve Woerner commented on beach block construction summer ban. Sharon Simon asked about the upcoming referendum and the need to spend money on the Dunes Project before November. (*Mr. Scott responded*). 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: _____ Rosemarie Freed, RMC, Deputy City Clerk