

April 4, 2013
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 IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND THE MUNICIPAL WEBSITE

Bids were received on April 2, 2013 @ 11:00 a.m. for 2012 Road Program & complete bidders list may be found in the following pages. Bids will be reviewed by the Purchasing Agent and a recommendation of award will be made to the Board of Commissioners.

The Board of Commissioners held its work session on the above date at 4:00 p.m. The meeting began with a flag salute and roll call: Mr. Becker & Mr. Blumberg were present. Ms. Taube was absent. Also present were: Mr. Walberg, Chiefs Tabasso & Wolfson, Ms. Larkin, Ms. Freed, Mr. Galantino, Mr. Ricciotti, Mr. Rubin.

Discussion per Mr. Blumberg re: Ordinance 2012-15 (Fees):

Mr. Blumberg requested amending the above ordinance to rescind fees for stage rental and set-up for non-profits and charitable organizations but Mr. Becker stated he is not ready to do so at this time but will consider the idea. Mr. Abbott (per Mr. Blumberg) will prepare a draft ordinance for commissioners vote on April 19th.

Discussion per Mr. Abbott re: License Agreement with Margate Dairy Bar to allow trailer (with platform and stairs for accessibility) in street for sales while hurricane repairs are being completed: Chris Baylinson, Esq. presented the facts to the BOC on behalf of the Dairy Bar. (Resolution approving same on tonight's agenda)

Joseph Orazi representing Aria's Blow Dry Bar (a new business) asked for license agreement for handicap ramp at the entrance. Commissioners approved resolution for tonight's agenda & Mr. Abbott emphasized the required insurance be in place along with a sealed plot plan of the business.

Leon Costello (municipal auditor) explained the municipal budget – no tax increase, continued ratable growth, good surplus, \$770,000 under Levy CAP & approval from state received – all questions from the public will be heard at 5:00 p.m.

Department Reports

Mr. Walberg: updated projects; seeking approval for 2012 Road Program award of contract (next meeting); end date for Fire Station #1 Renovations – April 15th; Verizon looking to add a 2' diameter dish to cell tower @ Gladstone Avenue – *rental fee should be increased if allowed & Mr. Walberg will bring sketch to BOC for review and approval*

Mr. Galantino: meetings with FEMA continuing; SBA loan program extend to May; discussion of POD storage units and length of allowable time – *set date of June 15 and then approve extension requests on a case-by-case basis (must be needed due to hurricane repairs)*

Mr. Ricciotti: hydrant flushing next week; lifeguard HQ needs a lot of repairs before summer season (*in-house work*); erecting fence at Thurlow Avenue & the bay (ruined by the hurricane)

Chief Tabasso: Fire Station #1 should be operational by April 15th

Mr. Deaney: FEMA meeting today – refunding nearing; resolution requested for tonight's agenda – City Administrator to sign budget on behalf of CFO during her absence & explanation of resolution approving MBA grant application

Mr. Abbott: meeting with marina owners @ Amherst Avenue regarding bulkhead (1500' approximately) replacement – 1st of many meetings to be held and looking for grant money for the project

Mr. Hiltner: Requested status update on proposed fencing in UAS playground (within next 2 weeks) & Mr. Blumberg requested review of plans before anything done

Mr. Rubin: 40 new homes constructed since January & several being raised; continued commercial activity

Chief Wolfson: explained Ordinance 2012-09 on tonight's agenda; Saturday – ½ marathon sponsored by JCC

Dan Campbell, 403 N. Huntington Avenue encouraged Mr. Becker to decide in favor of Mr. Blumberg's suggested amendments to the Fee Ordinance since it would help everyone and not just the Log Cabin. John Sewell, 22 West Drive spoke on huge increase in flood insurance rates and the impact on residents. Sharon Simon commented on the Fee Ordinance amendments & asked questions on city staffing & costs.

On motion by Mr. Blumberg this portion was closed with a vote of two ayes.

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Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, NJ

Attest:

Thomas D. Hiltner, City Clerk