

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION – MARGATE CITY**

DECEMBER 20, 2018

MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY

THE PRESS AND THE DOWNBEACH CURRENT WERE NOTIFIED OF THIS MEETING AND A COPY OF SAME WAS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING 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: Mayor Michael Becker; absent, Commissioner John Amodeo and Commissioner Maury Blumberg were present. The following department heads were also present: Chief Dan Adams, Chief David Wolfson, Jim Galantino, Roger McLarnon, Fred Verna, Rich Deaney and Johanna Casey. Scott Abbott was also present.

Items for Discussion:

Dave Miller of C J Adams Company Insurance: Informed the Commission profits and losses over the past years with the Municipal Joint Insurance Fund. Stresses the importance of safety awareness and preventing accident to assist keeping annual assessment cost down.

Rich Deaney: Informs the commission that there is a resolution on tonight's agenda to enter into the Joint Insurance Fund Agreement. Asking all department heads to have someone attend the next safety meeting to help prevent accidents.

Chief Adams: City is taking, suggesting and working on new safety measures.

Department Reports:

Jim Galantino: Very busy with construction projects.

Roger McLarnon: Reviewed the outcome of the landscaping, janitorial and cleaning & televising of sewer system bids. Planning board meeting is being held this evening.

Chief Wolfson: Plan in place to barricaded specific streets during flooding.

Chief Adams: Stresses safety awareness during the holiday season.

Rich Deaney: A property owner is asking if City wishes to purchase his property (Block 803, Lots 5, 9, 12, & 17), which is reported to be wetlands. Owner has mentioned he may be willing to donate if city does not want to purchase. Looking for direction from the commission on how to proceed with this request.

Commissioner Amodeo: Inquires as to if property owner is up to date on property taxes. Believes this property was presented to the city for purchase some time ago.

Rich Deaney: Status of current taxes is not known. Recommends not to purchase, but tell the owner that City is willing to accept the property if donated.

Commissioner Amodeo: In agreement

Commissioner Blumberg: In agreement

Scott Abbott: Will require a resolution. The owner will then have a tax write off.

Commissioner Amodeo: Inquires as to how to handle if taxes not up to date.

Rich Deaney: Taxes would have to be up to date before accepting property.

Johanna Casey: Nothing to report

Commissioner Blumberg: All good in the commissioner's office.

Commissioner Amodeo: Winter edition of city newsletter is available in City Hall and on website. Thanks both Chiefs for "Stuff the Trunk" and "Lunch with Santa" community events. Thanks Richard Deaney for his work. Wishing everyone happy holidays.

Public Participation:

There being no further business, Commissioner Amodeo called for a motion to close public portion. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Blumberg and seconded by Commissioner Amodeo to adjourn the meeting.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Commissioner Amodeo called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Amodeo and seconded by Commissioner Blumberg to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

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

Mayor, Michael Becker

Commissioner John F. Amodeo

Commissioner Maury Blumberg

Attest:

Johanna Casey, RMC City Clerk