

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

**NOVEMBER 21, 2019**

**MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY**

THE ATLANTIC CITY PRESS AND THE STAR LEDGER 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; Commissioner, John Amodeo and Commissioner Maury Blumberg were present. The following department heads were also present: Chief Matt Hankinson, Chief Daniel Adams, Lisa McLaughlin, Andrew Miles, Fred Verna, Frank Ricciotti, and Jim Galantino. Johanna Casey, Ed Dennis, Scott Abbott and Rich Deaney were also present.

**Presentation:**

**Mayor Becker:** Presents the 2020 Beach Badge Design Contest Winners.

**Commissioner Blumberg:** Thanks everyone for their participation.

**Audrey Becker:** Thanks the city and teachers for their assistance with the contest.

**Commissioner Amodeo:** Speaks on how great a contest this is.

**Rich Deaney:** Thanks Lisa McLaughlin for her help with the contest.

**Lisa McLaughlin:** Thanks everyone for their participation and badges are now available for the 2020 season.

**Department Reports:**

**Scott Abbott:** Nothing to report.

**Frank Ricciotti:** Public works is working on the deck at Huntington Avenue, adding pavers to replace the deck at the Lucy the Elephant snack bar, and fixing the railing along with redoing the deck at the beach headquarters. An inspection of the piping underneath the Benson Avenue Water Tank is being arranged. Moving ahead with the Public Works Complex.

**Jim Galantino:** The Building Department will be open the three days before Thanksgiving.

**Ed Dennis:** Nothing to add.

**Rich Deaney:** Nothing to report.

**Andrew Miles:** Speaks on current basketball programs, the Fantastic Friday Program and after school classes. Gives an update on the upgrades to the Granville Avenue playground.

**Chief Hankinson:** Continuing to monitor the new traffic patterns.

**Lisa McLaughlin:** Thanks the city for their support of the family of Bill Walsh.

**Chief Adams:** Thanks the Public Works Department for addressing the deck issue at Huntington Avenue and minor issues at the library. The Fire Department is participating in a National ALS Awareness Program.

**Fred Verna:** Supports the resolution pertaining to a lease agreement with AT&T.

**Johanna Casey:** Requests supporting the resolution asking for a review of the Open Public Records Act.

**Commissioner Amodeo:** The Save Lucy Committee has requested renaming the section of Decatur Avenue in front of Lucy the Elephant to be named 101 South Lucy Plaza, and to have an unveiling of the street sign on July 20th. Asks the commissioners to support this request.

**Mayor Becker and Commissioner Blumberg:** Both give their support.

**Commissioner Amodeo:** Speaks on a recent presentation at the library on the life of Frank Tieman.

**Commissioner Blumberg:** Recognizes the life of Bill Walsh and support given to his family.

**Mayor Becker:** The city is partnering with the library to offer a New Year's Eve concert. Wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

**Public Comment:**

**Steve Worner**, 103 Sumner Ave.: Speaks on behalf of the Margate Concerned Citizen Group on the traffic pattern changes in the area of Huntington Avenue and the frequency of dirt on the water tower at Gladstone Avenue.

**Mayor Becker:** Requests a list of concerns, so they may be addressed.

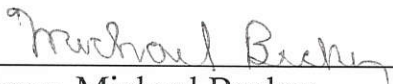
**John Sewell**, 22 West Drive: Speaks on the recent changes to traffic patterns.

There being no further business, Mayor Becker called for a motion to close public portion. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Amodeo, and seconded by Commissioner Blumberg to adjourn public comment, with a vote of three ayes.

**Adjournment:**

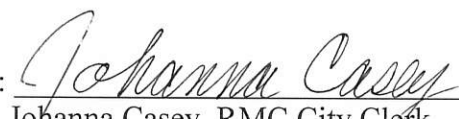
There being no further business, Mayor Becker called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Blumberg and seconded by Commissioner Amodeo to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

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

  
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Mayor, Michael Becker

  
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Commissioner John F. Amodeo

  
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Commissioner Maury Blumberg

Attest:   
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Johanna Casey, RMC City Clerk