

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

March 1, 2018

MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY

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The Margate City Board of Commissioners held a work meeting on the above date at 4:05 p.m. The meeting began with a flag salute & roll call: Mayor Becker, Commissioner Amodeo and Commissioner Blumberg were present. The following department heads were present: Acting Administrator Ms. Bascelli, Ms. McLaughlin and Ms. Casey. Mr. Walberg and Mr. Abbott were also present.

Department Reports:

Ms. Casey- Ms. Casey welcomes Chief Adams. Ms. Casey congratulated Ms. McLaughlin and Chief Adams on their great work with the JIF Program and as a result the amount of money the City will receive due to their hard work.

Chief Adams- Chief Adams mentioned the Fire House's year-end report and states Margate's Fire House call volume is up 26% from this time last year.

Ms. McLaughlin- Ms. McLaughlin reported that the 2018 Budget will be introduced at the March 15th Commission Meeting. Ms. McLaughlin inquires as to if the City will be receiving the Franchise fee check which has been received in the past.

Chief Wolfson- Chief Wolfson informs the public that the Police Department is prepared for the anticipated upcoming storm.

Ms. Bascelli- Ms. Bascelli states the informal meeting at City Hall with employees was a positive one. Ms. Bascelli reported on the closings of some of the contractual gaps in the employee contracts. The City will begin a 5 year budget projection.

Mr. Walberg- Mr. Walberg reported on projects in progress; *The Street End Drainage:* Union Avenue pipe work is in place and a meeting with the ACOE was held today. Contractor intends to bring in a second crew to help move progress along. Resident notices will go out a few days before construction starts on their street. *Tennis Court Reconstruction (Fulton Avenue):* Construction will commence on Monday once complete, they will do repairs on the basketball courts at Union Ave. *Rubber Tide Check Valves:* Installation will begin once received from the manufacture, which is hopefully the third week in March. *State Aid Gladstone to Exeter Ave:* re-bid will take place in the mid- March and a request for an extension has been submitted to the State. *State Aid Atlantic Ave:* Received an additional \$393,000 for Fredericksburg Ave. to Frontenac Ave.

Mr. McLarnon- Mr. McLarnon informs Commission on the Planning Board case on Amherst Avenue. Mr. McLarnon expresses excitement as he will be returning to Margate Zoning office full time in April.

Mr. Galantino- Mr. Galantino speaks on the relocation of a pole in front of the building to the side of the building

Mr. Ricciotti- Mr. Ricciotti speaks on Public Works working on the beach for the upcoming summer as well as the Ball Parks fields on Jerome Ave. Public Works is working on replacing water meters and repairing others. The Public Works trucks are ready for the anticipated storm.

Mr. Abbott- Mr. Abbott speaks on resolution # 62-2018. Mr. Abbott reports to Commission that 401 N. Argyle Avenue is interested in purchasing the empty lots west of their property. Mr. Abbott informs the Commission about the upcoming meeting in Longport on Public Access to the beach.

Commissioner Blumberg- Commissioner Blumberg had nothing to report.

Commissioner Amodeo- Commissioner Amodeo compliments Mr. Ricciotti and Public Works for their hard work on cleaning up the Ball Park.

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Ms. McLaughlin- Ms. McLaughlin informs the Public that Beach Badges will be sold at City Hall, 9001 Winchester Avenue as of March 12, 2018 and April 7th. The Pavilion will be selling badges 7 days a week.

Mayor Becker- Mayor Becker speaks on the anticipated storm and public safety during this storm.

Public Participation:

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Mayor Becker 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