

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

FEBRUARY 20, 2020

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 Blumberg were present. The following department heads were also present: Chief Matthew Hankinson, Chief Daniel Adams, Andrew Miles, Jim Galantino, Roger McLarnon, Fred Verna and Frank Ricciotti. Johanna Casey, Ed Dennis, Scott Abbott and Tom Ciccarone were also present.

Items For Discussion:

Dr. Thomas Baruffi, Superintendent of Margate Schools: Distributes copies of the “Long Range Facilities Capital Project Plan Update”. Reviews information in the plan and its relevance to the present. Speaks on the requirements and effect of consolidation of the two schools.

Commissioner Blumberg: Inquires about tuition students and if there has ever been discussion of making 9th and 10th grade part of the school system.

Dr. Baruffi: Speaks on the status of tuition students. Speaks on the idea of having a 9th and 10th grade in Margate.

Cathy Horn, Margate School Board President: Believes years ago a charter high school was looked into, but determined not to be beneficial.

Department Head Reports:

Chief Adams: Speaks on responding to a fire in Margate this morning. Thanks those who recently donated workout equipment to the fire department. Lisa McLaughlin is requesting to do a presentation of the money raised at this year’s health fair to the ALS Association at the March 5, 2020 meeting.

Mayor Becker, Commissioner, Amodeo and Commissioner Blumberg: All in favor of doing the donation presentation on March 5, 2020.

Chief Hankinson: Speaks on new traffic patterns on Huntington Avenue and Granville Avenue.

Andrew Miles: Wrapping up basketball season. Beach badge information is going out with water and sewer bills. Public works has been getting the lacrosse field at Tighe School ready.

Tom Ciccarone: Speaks on his first week as Margate’s Acting Business Administrator.

Ed Dennis: Nothing more to report.

Roger McLarnon: Speaks on tonight’s resolution of awarding the sharing of engineering firms with City of Ventnor. Planning board meeting is next Thursday night.

Frank Ricciotti: Speaks on current projects on the beach and dealing with rusty water.

Scott Abbott: The Margate City’s position on the Harbor Vista vs. Barbary Coast Marina was upheld.

Christopher Baylinson, Esq.: Speaks on the Harbor Vista vs. Barbary Coast Marina litigation outcome.

Scott Abbott: Speaks on the home owner’s request to vacate Union Avenue at the bay. Speaks on the home owner requesting the vacating of Union Avenue and the beach.

Commissioner Blumberg and Commissioner Amodeo: Thanks Frank Ricciotti and his team for work done on the recreation field.

Public Comment:

John Sewell, 22 West Drive: Comments on the presentation done by Dr. Baruffi.

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.

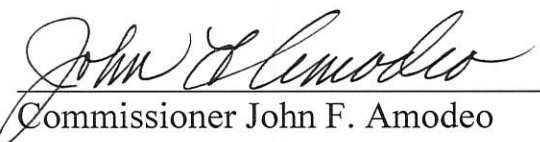
Adjournment:

There being no further business, Mayor Becker called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Amodeo and seconded by Commissioner Blumberg to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 4:40p.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