

**MINUTES
WORKSHOP/CAPITAL MEETING
CITY OF MARGATE**

AUGUST 5, 2021

MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY

Call Meeting to Order – 3:00 p.m.

Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act:

The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for this meeting have been satisfied; a copy of the Annual Meetings Notice was sent to the Atlantic City Press, and the Star Ledger, posted on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building, the Municipal Website, and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Johanna Casey: Reads the statement of compliance and the procedure for in person meeting, followed with the flag salute and roll call is taken.

Roll Call – Board of Commissioners:

Mayor Becker and Commissioner Amodeo were present. Commissioner Blumberg was absent. Fred Verna, Chief Hankinson, Chief Adams, Jim Galantino, Lisa McLaughlin, Frank Ricciotti, Roger McLarnon, Ed Dennis, Scott Abbott, Rich Deaney, and Johanna Casey were also present.

Discussion:

Scott Abbott: Speaks on putting new regulations and additional permits in place to solve the issues associated with the installation of pools.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on the types of permits that will be required with the installation of a pool. States a moratorium on the installation of pools needs to be stated in an ordinance.

Frank Ricciotti: Speaks on the discharging of water when a pool is installed.

Commissioner Amodeo: States a new requirement will be to notify neighbors when pool installation is scheduled. Speaks on the types of permits required with each type of pool. Speaks on the moratorium for pool installation.

Roger McLarnon: Speaks on the inconvenience to neighbors when a pool is installed.

Jim Galantino: Speaks on the noise of pool gear and pool pumps during a pool installation.

Ed Dennis: A meeting regarding Shelter Island is scheduled for August 16, 2021 with Ventnor City.

Rich Deaney: This meeting is intended to get Ventnor to jointly apply for the permit to use Shelter Island as a dredge disposal site.

Ed Dennis: The City is still waiting for additional funding from FEMA for the Flood Proofing of Historic City Hall and Fire House No. 1 Project.

Lisa McLaughlin: Speaks on the allocation of funds for the Flood Proofing of Historic City Hall and Fire House No.1 Project.

Rich Deaney: Requests a recommendation of how to proceed with the Flood Proofing of Historic City Hall and Fire House No. 1.

Chief Adams: Speaks on the items FEMA requires to be done to complete the Flood Proofing of Historic City Hall and the Fire House No. 1 Project.

Roger McLarnon: States hurricane season is upon us when discussing flood proofing.

Ed Dennis: The Risk and Resilience Assessment and Emergency Response Plan has been submitted, and the Emergency Response Plan is being coordinated with Public Works for submission. Still waiting for here about the status of grant money for the Adams Avenue Stormwater Pump Station. A budgetary cost estimate is being done for the Minnie Creek drainage improvement recommendations. The 2021 Curb & Gutter Program will be going out to bid soon. The design of the Ventnor Avenue Bridal Path Reconstruction (North Side) is in progress. The school located on Amherst Avenue will be impacted by the Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue-Phase 2 Project, so a meeting with the school district is being scheduled to discuss the impacts. Revised drawings for the Municipal Building Interior Renovations Project are being reviewed. No updates on the beach outfall bolt protrusions nor any maintenance bonds. Road striping is the only thing left on both the 2017 State Aid Reconstruction of Atlantic Avenue Project and the 2018 & 2019 State Aid Reconstruction of Atlantic Avenue Project. Electrical work on the Amherst Avenue bulkhead will be coordinated with the Amherst Avenue Promenade Project. Gives an update to the Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue Project-Phase I.

Scott Abbott: Gives an update as to the status of the Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue-Phase I issues with residents.

Jim Galantino: In audible.

Ed Dennis: A quote was received for the installation of a traffic signal synchronization system for Atlantic Avenue. Positive reviews on the Atlantic Avenue Road Diet Project. Gives an update as to the delivery of lumber for the Amherst Avenue Promenade Project.

Lisa McLaughlin: Inquires if the delay in the completion of the Amherst Avenue Promenade Project will affect the Margate Funfest.

Chief Hankinson: The MBA is more concerned with pandemic issues effecting the Margate Funfest.

Commissioner Amodeo: Explains the proposed layout of Margate Funfest vendors.

Ed Dennis: A portion of the promenade is now open. The Benson Avenue Water Tank Interior Painting Project is in close out phase. There is a resolution on tonight's agenda to accept the Safe Streets to Transit Downtown Traffic Calming Project as complete. Work has progressed with the construction of Fire Station No. 2 Addition. The 600 Block Clermont Avenue Emergency Water Main Replacement is complete, so it will be removed from the engineer's report. Work on the 2021 Redevelopment of Well No. 5 is to start in October.

Department Reports:

Lisa McLaughlin: Speaks on the America Recovery Fund Report being due.

Rich Deaney: Recommendations for money received from the America Recovery Fund should benefit the largest amount of residents.

Chief Hankinson: Invites the public to attend the Annual Law Day Program on August 11, 2021 at the Margate Library. Margate recreation staff have started to place the stickers, which state no personal items are to be left on the dunes, on items.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on updating an ordinance on extermination rules during demolitions.

Scott Abbott: The city has looked into this.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on the maintenance of the library building and the library assuming these costs. States there is talk about moving the bocce courts on the beach in front of the Martin Bloom Pavilion. Speaks on the lease agreement for the city lot at Quincy Avenue and Ventnor Avenue needing to be redone due to new parking lot owners. In the fall, the front yard ordinance will have to be enforced.

Jim Galantino: Thanks Fred Verna, Frank Ricciotti and everyone involved with getting the new carpeting installed in the building department. Emergency alert poles are to be put up next week.

Frank Ricciotti: Every day the Monroe Avenue parking lot is checked and gate is open. Beaches are in very good shape this year and trash is being taken care of by Public Works. Anticipating moving into the new Public Works building soon.

Roger McLarnon: Recommends moving forward with phase 1 and phase 2 environmental to check the former public works building. States the Planning Board is very busy into the fall. Speaks on the installation of new bike racks throughout the city.

Chief Adams: Speaks on incidents of house alarms going off and the fire departments response. Speaks on EMS responses to mainland communities. States the beach patrol has been doing an excellent job this summer.

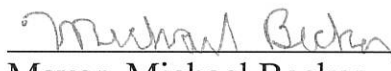
Commissioner Amodeo: The 75th Margate Memorial Lifeguard Race will be held on August 6, 2021 at 6:30pm.

Public Comment: None

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 Mayor Becker to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 3:57 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