

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

OCTOBER 7, 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, Commissioner Amodeo and Commissioner Blumberg were present. Fred Verna, Chief Hankinson, Chief Adams, Lisa McLaughlin, Jim Galantino, Frank Ricciotti, Roger McLarnon, Ed Dennis, Scott Abbott, Rich Deaney, and Johanna Casey were also present.

Discussion:

Ed Dennis: Beach Thoroughfare Dredging Process is proceeding and there are no updates. The cost estimates for the Historic City Hall and Firehouse No.1 Flood Protection Project has been updated and speaks on additional funding needed before this project can start. The Ventnor Avenue Bridal Path Reconstruction (Northside) will be included in the next Capital Budget. The Municipal Building Interior Renovation Project design and estimated costs are almost finished.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on the Municipal Building Interior Renovation Project.

Ed Dennis: The 2021 State Aid Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue –Phase 2 Project receiving bids October 14, 2021. An evaluation report of the Public Works Facility Master Plan will be completed soon. A listing of pending grant applications and associated projects was given. Budgetary project estimates are being compiled for the upcoming capital budget. Still waiting for a date for the GPS time synchronization of Atlantic Avenue traffic signals. The maintenance bond for the 2016 State Aid Reconstruction of Winchester Avenue is expiring in November. There are six projects in closeout phase. Mathis Construction is scheduled to come out next week to complete remaining work on the Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue-Phase I Project. There is one item, an additional flood door, left to be done on the Amherst Avenue Promenade Project. Gives status of the work being done on the Fire Station No. 2 Addition Project.

Jim Galantino: Speaks on specific aspects to work being done on the Fire Station No. 2 Addition.

Chief Adams: Speaks on the Fire Station No. 2. Addition.

Ed Dennis: The contractor for the 2021 Redevelopment of Well No. 5 received the notice to proceed. 2021 Curb & Gutter Program contract is being signed.

Commissioner Amodeo: Speaks on home owners on Nassau Avenue willing to fund replacing part of the sea wall at the end on the street with handicap access entrance.

Ed Dennis: Clarifies what a sea wall is, what the home owners are proposing and issues involved.

Commissioner Blumberg: Good with this.

Rich Deaney: Request Ponzio Engineering send a formal agreement to the City on behalf of the Nassau Avenue home owners. Speak on the 2021 Curb & Gutter Program meeting.

Audrey Becker, the Superintendent of Margate City Schools: Speaks on her background, the current school year and school programs. Enrollment numbers are down from last year. Taking new tuition students is on hold this year.

Johanna Casey: Speaks on changes to this year's November 2 election.

Departmental Reports:

Scott Abbott: Speaks on the City being sued over the Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue-Phase I Project.

Frank Ricciotti: Speaks on planting of flowers, beaches being cleaned, upcoming renovations and FunFest.

Commissioner Blumberg: Sprinklers are still on, so no need to remove some of the flowers yet.

Fred Verna: Nothing to add.

Jim Galantino: Speaks on current citywide demolitions and identifying adjoining property's fences.

Roger McLarnon: Speaks on the effort to salvage existing trees.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on the two ordinances being introduced during tonight's regular Commission Meeting. The FMBA and PBA contracts are to be authorized at tonight's regular meeting.

Chief Hankinson: The AC Marathon will be going through Margate on October 17, 2021. The Trunk or Treat event will be held on October 22, 2021 on Edgmar Circle. Remind residents to lock car doors and don't leave keys in car.

Lisa McLaughlin: Walgreens will be giving City employees free flu shots on October 19. The City now has the capability to pay vendors electronically. The Best Practices Inventory is due to the State by November 3, 2021 and requesting to be put on November 4, 2021 agenda. Requests department heads contact her about the status of open projects to know about available funding. 2022 budget process is starting. Thanks the Margate Business Association for the job they did on the Fall FunFest.

Rich Deaney: Stresses the importance of letting Lisa McLaughlin know the status of open projects.

Chief Adams: The Fall FunFest was an outstanding event and lots of informative information was given out. Fire Prevention Week ends this week. Thanks everyone for the assistance with the Fire Station No. 2 Addition.

Public Comment:

Seeing that there were no comments, a motion to close Public Comments was put forth by Commissioner Blumberg, seconded by Commissioner Amodeo, with a vote of three ayes.

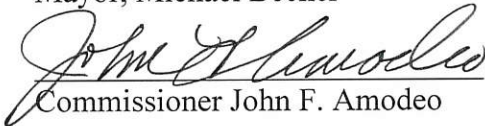
Adjournment:

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 Amodio to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 3:48 p.m.

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



Mayor, Michael Becker



Commissioner John F. Amodio



Commissioner Maury Blumberg

Attest:  Johanna Casey, Municipal Clerk