

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

MAY 19, 2022

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, City Clerk: Reads the statement of compliance, 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 Dan Adams, Roger McLarnon, Andrew Miles, Joe Johnson, Johanna Casey, Rich Deaney, and Scott Abbott, Esquire were also present.

Engineer's Report:

Joe Johnston: Speaks on the submission of the Beach Thoroughfare Dredging Tidelands application. FEMA requested clarification of information to assist with their determination of funds for the Flood Proofing of Historic City Hall and Fire Station No.1. The Ventnor Avenue Bridal Path Reconstruction (North Side) Project will be done when funds become available. A report on the Bayside Court and Seaside Court Storm Sewer Evaluation was submitted to the City.

Rich Deaney: In the very beginning stages of the Bayside Court and Seaside Court Storm Sewer Project.

Joe Johnson: An application to receive 2023 CDBG state aid for ADA compliance and beach access at Sumner Avenue has been tendered. Speaks on the need for recommending a road to be included in an application for next year's DOT state aid project. The City Engineer is recommending the release of the Redevelopment of Well #9 maintenance bond. Gives an update to the list of projects in closeout phase. The repaving of Amherst Avenue, included in the Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue Phase I-Douglass Avenue to Clarendon Avenue Project, is to be done the week of May 23, 2022. Speaks on the progress of work involved with the Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue-Phase 2, Douglas Avenue to Gladstone Avenue. Gives an updated on the Municipal Building Interior Renovations Project. Speaks on the concrete work done and other work being done as part of the 2021 Road Program.

Rich Deaney: States some residents in the Brunswick Court area have contacted the City about having the court paved.

Commissioner Amodeo: Speaks on phone calls he has received by residents desiring to have specific roads repaved.

Joe Johnston: The replacing of the HVAC system and walkway lighting at the Margate Library will not occur till the fall due to product supply.

Mayor Becker: States inspectors need to be there when the paving of Amherst Avenue is done as part of the Reconstruction of Amherst Avenue-Phase I Project.

Commissioner Blumberg: Speaks on the City doing its due diligence when determining what roads need to be repaved.

Department Head Reports:

Chief Adams: All going well in the fire department. Preparing for the Memorial holiday weekend. A few items still being done at Fire Station No. 2. The new ambulance will be in service for the holiday weekend. There will be a bonfire on the beach this Saturday, May 21, 2022.

Andrew Miles: Reminds everyone the pre-season price for beach tags ends June 1st. Repairs to the pickle ball court fencing is going to be done. Due to delay in getting parts, there is no update as to when the Lucy playground will be done. The on-line reservation app for reserving pickle ball courts is up and running.

Chief Hankinson: Speaks on metered parking starting the Friday before Memorial Day in the commercial area of Amherst Avenue and alternative places to park are Municipal lot on Washington Avenue and Benson and Monmouth Avenue.

Rich Deaney: Nothing to add.

Roger McLarnon: Pool construction moratorium starting in 2-3 weeks. Planning board has six cases to hear at next Thursday's, May 26, 2022, meeting. Under zoning ordinance review are third floor decks, front yard fencing and commercial district flood damage prevention. The municipality's purchasing manual is essentially done. Outdoor dining permit requests have been coming in to his office. In discussion with Atlantic City Electric about using LED lights. Ventnor Ave. traffic signal pedestrian buttons are not functioning.

Frank Ricciotti: Speaks on the work being done throughout the City to get ready for Memorial weekend and the summer season.

Scott Abbott: Speaks on the litigation brought against the City by Rise Against Hate and the upcoming Daniels Law compliance.

Roger McLarnon: States quite a few counties are now not allowing tax records to be released.

Commissioner Amodeo: Play Groups Plus has requested their graduation to be held on the newly built platform at end of Huntington Avenue. Inquires as to what a resident will need to submit for approval to build a deck over a City easement.

Roger McLarnon: Clarifies what the resident needs to submit to the City for review.

Public Comment:

Seeing that there were no comments, a motion to close Public Comments was put forth by Commissioner Amodeo, seconded by Commissioner Blumberg, 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 3:28 p.m.


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



Mayor, Michael Becker


Commissioner John F. Amodeo

Commissioner Matry Blumberg

Attest: 
Johanna Casey, RMC City Clerk