

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

NOVEMBER 17, 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.

Lisa Hagan, Assistant to City Clerk: Reads the statement of compliance, followed with the flag salute and roll call is taken.

Roll Call – Board of Commissioners:

Mayor Becker was absent. Commissioner Amodeo and Commissioner Blumberg were present. Chief Dan Adams, Chief Matt Hankinson, Jim Galantino, Ed Dennis, Lisa Hagan, Rich Deaney and Scott Abbott, Esquire were also present.

Item for Discussion:

Ed Dennis: On September 15, 2022 the Citywide Dredging Application was submitted to NJ Department of Environmental Protection. Speaks on the Shelter Island Salt Marsh Restoration project having the option to be a two-phase project.

Commissioner Amodeo: Speaks on the costs that would be involved if the Shelter Island Salt Marsh Restoration should become a two-phase job.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on the need to get cost figures together if the Shelter Island Salt Marsh Restoration project is to be part of the 2023 Capital Budget.

Commissioner Blumberg: Inquires about the possibility of the Shelter Island Salt Marsh Restoration project being part of the 2023 Capital Budget, but if not used then transferring to the 2024 Capital Budget.

Scott Abbott: Procuring the citywide dredging permit along with the Shelter Island Salt Marsh Restoration permit will have an end result of lower dredging costs.

Ed Dennis: Flood Proofing of Historic City Hall and Fire Station No. 1 will be part of the 2023 Capital Budget. The Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex Wall of Fame, the Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex Walkway Replacement, and the Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex Batting Cage Replacement projects are all part of this year's capital budget. The Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex Tennis Courts 1-4 Reconstruction project will be included in the 2023 Capital Budget. The 2022 NJ Department of Transportation State Aid Reconstruction of Winchester Avenue project will be going out to bid soon. Base plans and engineering design have been completed on the 2022 Road Program. The grant application has been submitted to the NJ Department of Transportation for the Washington Avenue Streetscape Project.

The CRS Assistance program is ongoing. The Roof Replacement at the Margate Public Library is on hold as costs have been solicited through the Educational Services Cooperative Pricing System. Goes over the pending grant application list. The last open maintenance bond of 2022 is recommended to be released. Speaks on projects in closeout. The HVAC units for the HVAC Replacement at the Margate Library project has an estimated delivery date of December 7, 2022. Gives an update on the Municipal Building Interior Renovations Project. Speaks on work being done on Mansfield Avenue as part of the 2021 Road Program. Work is to commence on the 2022 Curb & Gutter Program in November. Construction has begun on the 2020 & 2021 CDBG Beach Bulkhead Access at Union Avenue. A pre-construction meeting still needs to be scheduled for the Water Meter Replacement Program Phase 1.

Commissioner Blumberg: Speaks on surveys to implement recommendations.

Chief Hankinson: Replies to recommendations regarding ongoing project.

Department Head Reports:

Chief Hankinson: The Annual Toy Drive will be held on December 16, 2022 starting at 6:30pm. Compliments Detective Borelli on her organizing of the Trunk or Treat and the toy drive. Speaks on implementing school security measures with school officials.

Chief Adams: The fire department just received a \$27,000 American Rescue Plan Firefighter Grant, which will be used to purchase turnout gear. Requests an article be placed in the next edition of Margate City's newsletter and a notice be added to the next tax bill to make homeowners aware of their responsible to maintain their sidewalks.

Rich Deaney: Requests Chief Adams write the article and notice. Suggests this information also be placed on the Margate City website.

Commissioner Blumberg: The deadline for submitting articles for the newsletter is next week.

Chief Adams: Reminds residents to shut off all outside water outlets and not to plug electric space heaters into extension cords or outlet strips.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on the Chief Financial Officer receiving bids for City Bond Anticipation Notes. An employee survey covering possible workplace issues has been distributed to all employees.

Jim Galantino: Speaks on Barbary Coast Marina being issued a permit and the number of homes being built. There have been 21 demolitions and 2 houses have been moved this year.

Commissioner Amodeo: Speaks on the Washington Avenue Streetscape Project connecting the bayfront district to Ventnor Avenue commercial district.

Scott Abbott: Speaks on uncontrollable constraints on the time it will take to do citywide dredging. Once approval to do the dredging of the back bay is received, it may be cost effective to schedule regular dredging maintenance. Speaks on recent OPRA litigation. Agrees with notifying homeowners about maintaining sidewalks.

Commissioner Amodeo: States through the Curb & Gutter Program the municipality maintains curbs.

Commissioner Blumberg: Suggests referencing a city code in the article and notice going out to homeowners regarding maintaining sidewalks.

Lisa Hagan: City clerk's office has nothing to add.

Public Comment:

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

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Commissioner Amodeo called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Blumberg, and seconded by Commissioner Amodeo, to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 3:45 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