

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

DECEMBER 1, 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 was absent. Commissioner Amodeo and Commissioner Blumberg were present. Chief Dan Adams, Captain Ron Kashon, Lisa McLaughlin, Andrew Miles, Pat Power, Jim Galantino, Roger McLarnon, Ed Dennis, Johanna Casey, Rich Deaney and Scott Abbott, Esquire were also present.

Item for Discussion:

Andrew Miles: Speaks on updating recreational fees through Ordinance #25-2022, which is being introduced at tonight's regular Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Amodeo: Recommends editing Ordinance #25-2022, which is to be introduced at the December 1, 2022 Regular Commission meeting, to state rental fee for the Martin Bloom Pavilion to be \$250.00 for the first two hours, \$50.00 for each additional hour and a security deposit of \$150.0 is required.

Mayor Becker and Commission Blumberg: Agree with Commissioner Amodeo's cost recommendations of \$250.00 for the first two hours, \$50.00 for each additional hour and a security deposit of \$150.0 as a requirement of for renting the Martin Bloom Pavilion, to be stated in Ordinance #25-2022.

Ed Dennis: Gives an update on the progress of the citywide dredging permit application. After the meeting with the NJ Department of Transportation and the US Army Corps of Engineers, it was decided to pursue restoring Shelter Island Dredge Hole 90 to the adjacent bay floor elevation. Looking to include the Flood Proofing of Historic City Hall and Fire Station No. 1 in the upcoming Capital budget, while continue to pursue grants to cover the costs of the project. The Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex projects of Wall of Fame, Walkway Replacement, Batting Cage Replacement and Tennis courts 1-4 Reconstruction have an estimated completion date by the 2023 summer season. The 2022 NJ Department of Transportation State Aid -Reconstruction of Winchester Avenue from Douglas Avenue to Exeter Avenue will be ready to go out to bid once final plans are drafted. The 2022 Road Program, which includes Jefferson Avenue (Atlantic Avenue to Beach), Gladstone Avenue (Fulton Avenue to Marshall Avenue), and the manhole at Washington & Ventnor Avenues, are anticipated to out to bid as soon as final plans are drafted. Speaks on the status of the Margate City Library Roof Replacement project. Speaks on grants awarded to Margate for projects. Cost estimates and engineering proposals have or will be submitted for 2023 capital projects. Working with Jim Galantino, Construction Official, on the CRS program. All open maintenance bonds in 2022 have been inspected and released. The anniversary inspection of the Benson Avenue Water Tank Interior Painting project was completed. Still waiting for confirmation of delivery date of the HVAC units for the HVAC Replacement at the Margate Library. Speaks on the progress of the Municipal Building Interior Renovations project. Gives an update on the movement of the 2021 Road Program. The 2022 Curb & Gutter Program will commence once the contractor's schedule is received. Headway is being made on the 2020 & 2021 CDBG Beach Bulkhead Access -Knight Avenue and Union Avenue. Once funding is secured for the Water Meter Replacement Program Phase 1, then a pre-construction meeting will be scheduled with the contractor.

Commissioner Amodeo: Speaks on money encumbered for a flood gate that was never installed at the bulkhead in front of Lamberti's and that it will be the responsibility of Lamberti's to pay for labor to install.

Department Head Reports:

Scott Abbott: Speaks on the proposed instructional center at Lucy Park. Follows up on a concern a citizen spoke on during the November 3, 2022 regular commission meeting's public comment section regarding a pipe dug up on his property.

Commissioner Amodeo: Requests it be put on record that the pipe that was spoken about during the November 3, 2022 regular commission meeting was dug up between the curb and the resident's home, not in the public right of way.

Pat Power: Speaks on the recent shredding day event offered to residents, and getting public work's trucks ready for winter.

Jim Galantino: Business as usual in the building department.

Roger McLarnon: Bids were received on November 29, 2022 for Landscaping of Various Municipal Properties, the Landscaping of Marven Gardens and Ventnor Avenue Parkway, and the Cleaning & Televising of the Sewer System. December's Planning Board will hear two cases, and the Planning Board's re-organization meeting will be held in January 2023. Zoning is not slowing down. Focus will be placed on front yard setbacks and the water meter project in 2023.

Rich Deaney: Speaks on reviewing fees of the Margate City. During the next regular commission meeting, resolutions on individual employee contracts and professional services will be on the agenda. The Margate Beach Patrol contract is under discussion at this time.

Captain Kashon: The annual toy drive will be held on December 16, 2022 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at the Jerome Avenue Ball Field. Acknowledges Detective Borelli for organizing this event.

Lisa McLaughlin: Speaks on the amount of work done by the staff and the money generated by the building department due to all the construction taking place in Margate. Speaks on the closing of the 2022 Bond Anticipation Notes. Speaks on the City's short and long term rating. Speaks on upcoming retirements in the police department and fire department. Working on the 2023 budget. The 2022 municipal auditor will be in tomorrow to audit the 2022 beach tags.

Jim Galantino: Speaks on Lamberti questioning the installation location of the flood gates.

Commissioner Amodeo: The location of the flood gates has to be installed per the engineering plans.

Andrew Miles: Speaks on issues with the installation of new playground equipment which is to replace old playground equipment, and the ground cover under the playground equipment.

Chief Adams: Thanks, the Mayor, Commissioners and Lisa McLaughlin for the employee appreciation lunch and jackets given to all city employees. Reminds everyone to be cognizant of safety issues surrounding holiday trees and lights. Detective Borelli has done a great job coordinating the December 16, 2022 toy drive

Johanna Casey: All is good in the clerk's office.

Commissioner Blumberg: Thanks Lisa McLaughlin and everyone involved in organizing the employee appreciation event. Public works does great job of putting up holiday lighting at the Jerome Avenue Ball Field and along Ventnor Avenue. Speaks on the grant money awarded for projects. Thanks, Andrew Miles, for his work updating the playgrounds.

Public Comment:


Nannette Galloway, 249 Buffalo, Egg Harbor City: Thanks, the firefighter who assisted her when she had a trip and fall last week in Margate.

Seeing that there were no public 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 3:36 p.m.

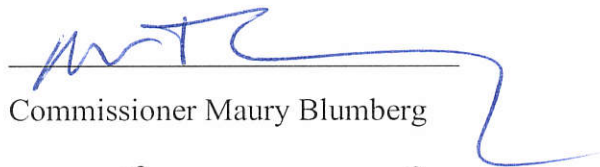
Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, New Jersey



Mayor, Michael Becker



Commissioner John F. Amodeo



Commissioner Maury Blumberg

Attest: 

Johanna Casey, RMC City Clerk

