

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

JANUARY 19, 2023

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. Frank Ricciotti, Captain Ron Kashon, Roger McLarnon, Ed Dennis, Johanna Casey, Rich Deaney and Scott Abbott, Esquire were also present.

Presentation:

Stephen Jasiecki, Chairperson, Sustainable Margate: Gives the 2022-year end report for Sustainable Margate.

Commissioner Amodeo: an exceptional job in helping the environment is done by Steve Jasiecki and members of Sustainable Margate.

Commissioner Blumberg: Gives a great big thank you to the Sustainable Margate team for their dedication and hard work.

Mayor Becker: Thanks, the Sustainable Margate team for their work.

Item for Discussion:

Ed Dennis: A response to NJ Department of Environmental Protection's comments regarding the Citywide Dredging Permit application was submitted. The pre-application meeting for the submission of the Shelter Island Restoration Permitting application will be held on February 21, 2023. FEMA has the additional funding for the Flood Proofing of Historic City Hall and Fire Station No. 1, so this project will be scheduled for rebidding. The design of the Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex Wall of Fame will be designed in 10-foot sections, so it may be expanded upon in the future. The Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex's Walkway Replacement and Batting Cage Replacement projects have an opening bid date of January 26, 2023. The Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex Tennis Courts 1-4 Reconstruction has a resolution on tonight's regular meeting agenda to authorize the acceptance of bids. The Reconstruction of Winchester Avenue project has an opening bid date of January 26, 2023. The 2022 Road Program has a resolution on tonight's regular meeting agenda to authorize accepting of bids. The nuclear roof scan of the Margate Library roof is being rescheduled. Speaks on maintaining, if not improving, the City's CRS rating in 2023. A Flood Warning and Response Plan is in progress to assist in improving the City's CRS rating. Remington & Vernick Engineers' Environmental Unit will be doing an evaluation of the City Clerk's storage records room. The GIS data base of the City's entire storm water sewer system will be available through a GIS web-based platform allowing City staff to utilize the information, as well as parts of the data base will be made available to the public. Adams Avenue Pump Station Project to elevate flooding down on Amherst Avenue water front around Washington Avenue, is receiving grant funds which should nearly cover the entire cost of the project. No update on miscellaneous engineering projects. No maintenance bonds due till June 2023. Speaks on projects in closeout. The delivery date of the HVAC units for the Margate Library is now February 24, 2023. Gives an update on the Municipal Building Interior Building Renovations with an estimated completion date in February 2023. The 2021 Road Program job is ongoing. The 2022 Curb & Gutter Program and the 2020 & 2021 CBDG Beach Bulkhead Access -Knight Avenue and Union Avenue are both nearing completion. A pre-construction meeting for the Water Meter Replacement Program Phase 1 is to be scheduled.

Commissioner Blumberg: Inquires about the status of refinishing the Municipal Building's existing doors.

Ed Dennis: Will follow up with the contractor regarding municipal building doors not being replaced.

Roger McLarnon: Speaks on needing a shared service agreement with the NJ Department of Transportation due to them owning Dredge Hole 86, which is be used as a disposal site for dredging material.

Commissioner Amodeo: Requests Ed Dennis to explain the location of the Adams Avenue Pump Station.

Ed Dennis: Explains the location of the Adams Avenue Pump Station.

Commissioner Amodeo: Seeks details on the plaques to be used at the Sigmund Rimm Recreational Complex Wall of Fame.

Ed Dennis: Speaks on what to be considered when choosing a plaque to be hung on the Wall of Fame.

Rich Deaney: Recommends speaking to Recreation Director Andrew Miles to establish plaque criteria.

Commissioner Blumberg: Andrew Miles has established a committee to address submittals for a plaque. Speaks on Margate's existing "Hall of Fame".

Department Head Reports:

Scott Abbott: Speaks on the steps taken to confirm with advertising requirements for the public hearing on the renovations to Lucy Park.

Frank Riciotti: Speaks on the water meter program. Investigative work has to be done in the area where the Adams Avenue Pump Station is to be located due to finding an old manhole. A storm drain located on Gilmore Circle sank, so repairs to the storm drain and the corresponding sidewalk are being done. Six new water meters were installed. Five water breaks occurred recently, needing repair. Public Works took delivery of a case loader.

Roger McLarnon: Hopeful that the Water Meter Project-Phase 1 will start soon. Bids will be received for four exterior doors to be replaced at the municipal building. Eleven planning and zoning applications were obtained this past week, two of which are for new business mercantile licenses. Rich Helfont, Executive Director of the Save Lucy Committee, will be doing a presentation on the proposed renovations to Lucy Park at the next Planning Board meeting.

Rich Deaney: Appreciates City staff involved with the City achieving a Class 5 CRS rating. This rating assists homeowners in getting a 25% savings in flood insurance. Speaks on grants received for upcoming municipal projects. Will be working with the new Municipal Administrator on the upcoming Capital Plan. Thanks, the Margate Commissioners and municipal staff for the past eleven years he has worked for Margate City.

Roger McLarnon: Inquires as to when the grant money is to be received from the Ocean Wind Grant.

Rich Deaney: Explains the schedule for receiving the Ocean Wind funds.

Commissioner Amodeo: Thanks Rich Deaney for his service to Margate City

Mayor Becker: Speaks on Rich Deaney's years of service.

Captain Kashon: Speaks on three new hires within the police department.

Johanna Casey: New Jersey Governor has announcement the revamping of alcoholic licensing criteria.

Commissioner Blumberg: Speaks on working as a team.

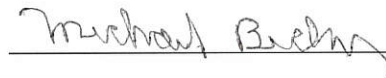
Public Comment:

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 three ayes.

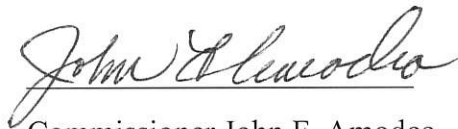
Adjournment:

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 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

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Mayor, Michael Becker

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Commissioner John F. Amodeo

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Commissioner Maury Blumberg

Attest: _____
Johanna Casey, RMC City Clerk