

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION – MARGATE CITY**

May 17, 2018

MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY

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The Margate City Board of Commissioners held a work meeting on the above date at 4:01 p.m. The meeting began with a flag salute & roll call: Mayor Becker and Commissioner Blumberg were present. The following department heads were present: Mr. Deane, Ms. Casey, Mr. McLarnon, Mr. Galantino, Mr. Ricciotti, Chief Adams, Chief Wolfson and Mr. Abbott were also present.

Department Reports:

Mr. Ricciotti- Mr. Ricciotti reported the steps at the street end steps are now all removed and by Memorial Day weekend all the mobi maps will be done. Mr. Ricciotti reported 1,000 plants have been planted around the City and 2 inch water line was installed on Thurlow Avenue. Commissioner Blumberg inquired as to when the fountains will be open? Mr. Ricciotti responded that the fountains will be open as soon as the trees are done blooming since the flowers clog the pumps.

Mr. Galantino- Mr. Galantino reminded Commission that demolitions will stop June 15th-September 15th. Mr. Galantino reported the streets will be reverted back to grass and signs have been cleaned up.

Mr. McLarnon- Mr. McLarnon reported zoning compliance has been extremely busy and homes are still being lifted.

Mr. Walberg-

Mr. Deane- Mr. Deane addressed the Commission stating Wawa is requesting to use the City of Margate's beach badges on their employee's shirts. Mr. Deane spoke on the Capital Ordinance on agenda.

Chief Wolfson- Chief Wolfson informed Commission that the Police Department sent out notices regarding dumpsters and pods to be removed off the street by Memorial Day. Chief Wolfson reported that Wawa will have their own security this year.

Ms. McLaughlin- Ms. McLaughlin spoke on the two Capital Ordinances on the agenda for this meeting and will come into effect 21 days from the second reading on June 7th. Ms. McLaughlin reviewed the breakdown of each Ordinance.

Chief Adams- Chief Adams reported the increase in calls/ responses in the Fire Department from last year. Chief Adams requested the FMBA scholarship be given out at the next meeting and Chief Adams requested approval for the Mammogram bus to come to the parking lot at 1 S. Washington. Mayor Becker inquired as to if the Beach Patrol will provide assistance to the beach this year. Chief Adams stated the Beach Patrol will assistance in anyway.

Commissioner Blumberg- Nothing to report.

Mayor Becker- Nothing to report.

Mr. Abbott- Mr. Abbott spoke on Ordinances and Mr. Abbott informed the Commission of the possibility of the Real Estate Office subletting the parking lot on Washington Avenue.

Public Participation:

John Sewell-22 West Drive- Mr. Sewell inquired as to maintenance responsibility of the out flow pipes

Bob Gendelman – 11 S. Vendome Avenue- Spoke on the appearance of the pipes and the beaches.

Hal Augustine - 8 N. Pembroke Avenue- Addressed the sand at the bottom of the ramps.

Alice Kalish- 111 S. Exeter Avenue- Alice spoke on the incline of the ramps on the beach and her personal need for handicap access.

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Emily Sayden- 6 S. Decatur Avenue- inquires as to the crossovers.

Ellen Lichtenstein- 411 N. Exeter Avenue- Ellen address the need of all streets being handicap access.

Joy Weintrob- 1- N. Franklin Avenue- Joy spoke on the inability to access the beach and expressed her support for a boardwalk.

Chuck Cavanaugh- 1-2 S. Brunswick Avenue- Chuck spoke against the outfall pipes.

Glen Klotz- 118 N. Barclay Avenue- Glen spoke about the study and the effect on Margate beaches. Mr., Walberg responded

Steve Davidson- 209 N. Essex Avenue- Steve inquired as to the outfall pipe study.

Lois Grossman- 308 N. Jerome- Lois requested a boardwalk and inquired as to how we got the outfall pipes.

Mr. Walberg responded with background of the Outfall pipes.

Emily Sayden- 6 S. Decatur Avenue- Emily inquires as to the function of the outfall pipes. Mr. Walberg responded as to the process of the outfall pipes.

Art Cautilli- 114 Lancaster Avenue- Art inquires as to why the project was designed for a 100 year storm?

Mr. Walberg responded to Mr. Cautilli stating the process the USACE took to get the project funded.

Marvin Weinstein- 7 N. Osborne Avenue- Marvin suggested an official go to each street to see how the access off each street end works.

Mitchell- 9 N. Franklin Avenue- Mitchell inquires as to the right to audit the USACE.

Henry Rose- 509 N. Union Avenue- Henry spoke on the grade of the beach since last summer and inquired as to the need of the drainage system.

Mr. Walberg explained the reason USACE had to install the outfall pipes.

120 S. Jefferson Avenue- Spoke on the design Brigantine has done and possibly considering the same design.

Mr. Walberg stated Brigantines design was brought to the attention of the USACE which was turned down.

Lisa McCloud- 9501 Pacific Avenue- Lisa questioned as to the upsetment of Mr. Cavanaugh.

Patricia Costello- 9400 Atlantic Avenue- Patricia spoke on the need for handicap access on Margate Towers beach street end.

Mr. Walberg stated the USACE as assured the City they will put an access at this street end.

Ellen Lichtenstein- 411 N. Exeter Avenue- Ellen inquires as to if the residents can sue.

Hal Augustine- 8 N. Pembroke Avenue- Hal inquired as to why the pipe stop at the other side of the dune.

Mr. Walberg explained the reason the pipe system couldn't be through the dune.

Ken Davidson- 8015 Monmouth Avenue- Inquired as to what basis USACE designed the drainage system.

Mr. Walberg stated the process the USACE took to design the outfall pipe for the City of Margate.

Ken inquired as to if the City received an answer regarding the construction of the boardwalk.

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 Mayor Becker to adjourn the meeting.

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

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Mayor, Michael Becker

Commissioner John F. Amodeo

Commissioner Maury Blumberg

Attest: _____
Johanna Casey, RMC City Clerk