

REGULAR WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017
6:00 P.M.

The Regular Work Session of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the President, Paul F. Spinelli.

The following members were present at roll call:

Councilman David Acosta
Councilwoman Angela Calakos
Councilman Ronald J. Franceschini, Jr.
Councilman Albert Vargas
President Paul F. Spinelli

Also present were: Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor
Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Business Administrator
Susan M. Baldosaro, Chief Finance Officer (*arrived at 6:07 p.m.*)

President Spinelli led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Municipal Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 28, 2016 by the City Clerk in the following manner:

1. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board in the lobby of the City Hall on;
2. Providing written notice to the offices of The Daily Journal and The Press of Atlantic City;
3. Filing written notice in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Vineland.

President Spinelli asked if anyone from the public would like to comment.

Steve Lewis complimented the EMS/EMT staff for the recent assistance provided to him.

Councilwoman Calakos echoed the compliments to the EMS/EMT staff for recent assistance provided to her mother.

The Municipal Clerk reviewed the agenda.

President Spinelli requested Municipal Utilities Director John Lillie to be present at next week's pre-meeting conference to explain Resolution No. 2017-400, authorizing a contract with Siemens.

There was brief discussion regarding the motion to the Planning Board concerning large vehicles parking in residential zones. Council members wanted to know what vehicles were included. Solicitor Tonetta responded that tractor trailers and box trucks were the focus. Residential motor homes and boats on trailers are not included.

The Clerk stated that two resolutions may be added for alcoholic beverage licenses.

Councilwoman Calakos noted there is a ribbon cutting schedule for VDID activities. She noted the passing of the father of former Councilwoman Maritza Gonzalez, with the funeral scheduled for Thursday. She also complimented Mrs. Spinelli for her city hall decorations.

Councilman Franceschini reminded everyone that flu season is approaching and urged vaccinations for all. He noted that many health issues will be created by Hurricane Harvey. He also explained that Hurricane Irma is approaching, and suggested that the city have an exercise in October about winter storm preparedness.

Councilman Acosta spoke of the passing of Tommie Rodriguez and suggested the city have some tribute to him for his community activism.

President Spinelli reported that UEZ loan activity is increased. He noted that we have 17 police recruits in the academy. He announced that the Vineland Historical & Antiquarian Society told the city they intend to remove the bust of Vineland founder Charles K. Landis from the City Hall lobby to the historical society building. He also stated that Council members are encouraged to attend a meeting of the Library board of trustees on Thursday, September 28 at 7 p.m. to hear the presentation from Library Systems. He said that any proposal that claims to save \$350,000 a year, should be heard.

It was also announced that the 16th anniversary commemoration of the 9-11 tragedy will be at the 4th & Wood Streets fire headquarters on Monday, September 11 at 6 p.m.

The President entertained a motion by Councilwoman Calakos, and seconded by Councilman Vargas, to adjourn the meeting. The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Calakos
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

ATTEST:

Paul F. Spinelli
President of Council

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk