

REGULAR WORK SESSION
MONDAY, JULY 6, 2020
5:30 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 (*participated remotely*)
Councilwoman Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur
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

President Spinelli led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Deputy Municipal Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 11, 2019 and June 30, 2020 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.

The Board of Health held their quarterly meeting. Council approved the minutes of the previous meeting. Health Officer Robert Dickenson and Health Director McCleod Carre briefed City Council on the status of the Health Department noting that the EMS Division moved from Health over to the Department of Fire, the current extreme workload associated with the COVID-19 crisis, staffing needs, overtime issues and recommendations.

President Spinelli asked if anyone from the public would like to comment. Lou Profera from 2196 Magnolia Road commented about the condition, problems, and recent unauthorized large events at Howard Pagliughi Park and provided photographs as evidence to City Council. He asked Council to consider increased police patrols, requiring proper permits for use of the park, and to consider the impact of the neighborhood and on the City before rendering decisions on usage. Council discussed the issue, thanked Mr. Profera for his comments and promised to look in to the matter.

The Deputy Municipal Clerk reviewed the agenda.

Councilman Vargas commented on the Park issues and basketball courts in general. He noted PAL police explorers are to resume hopefully soon and spoke of the condition of the PAL building and needed repairs.

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

YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

ATTEST:

Paul F. Spinelli
President of Council

Richard G. Franchetta, E.J.D.
Deputy Municipal Clerk