

PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE
TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2020
6:00 P.M.

The Pre-Meeting Conference 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 (*arrived at 6:07 p.m.*)
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.

President Spinelli stated that due to the current COVID-19 crisis, the City of Vineland is following the CDC and State of NJ Guidelines by utilizing a telephone conference system allowing the public access for participation in the meeting. The toll free telephone number for this meeting is 1-833-247-7123, and the conference ID number is: 3308969.

Anyone having difficulty in connecting to the conference call, or they feel they haven't been properly heard, please email me, Council President Paul Spinelli, at pspinelli@vinelandcity.org, so your concerns can be addressed.

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

There being no one to be heard, the Clerk reviewed revisions and additions to the agenda. A revised version of Resolution 2020-327, authorizing a contract award to a state contract vendor, Nat Alexander Company, Laurel Springs, NJ for the purchase of two (2) Scott X# Pro SCBA air paks and thirteen (13) 45 minute bottles for the fire department, in the amount not to exceed \$27,397.60, was provided. The new version revised the quantity numbers. Resolution 2020-332, providing for the insertion in the calendar year 2020 budget of the City of Vineland a special item of revenue made available by revenue realized from State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration grant allocation, in the amount of \$2,117,935.00 and an appropriation in said budget for like sum and purpose, was added. Resolution 2020-333, appointing school crossing guards for the school year 2020-2021, was added. Resolution 2020-334, re-affirming the Vineland Police Department's policies restricting the use of force, was added. Resolution 2020-335, acknowledging Governor Murphy's declaration of a state of emergency due to Hurricane Isaias and declaring said emergency in accordance with Ordinance 122, Chapter 542 of the Code of the City of Vineland in conjunction with Mayor Fanucci's proclamation of a disaster emergency and authorizing emergency contracts in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6, was added.

President Spinelli stated that the work session originally scheduled for September 1 will now be conducted on September 3, along with a special meeting. It all begins at 4 p.m.

Councilman Franceschini commented that city employees have to be diligent about wearing masks. He also stated there was a lot of damage to trees with the recent storm.

Councilman Vargas echoed that there was a lot of storm damage in our parks.

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

Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

Paul F. Spinelli
President of Council

ATTEST:

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk