

REGULAR WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020
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 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
Edwin Alicea, Director of Public Safety

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 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 comment, the Clerk reviewed the agenda.

Councilman Franceschini stated that he hasn't seen any golf carts riding on city streets, and thanked Public Safety Director Alicea for his department's efforts. The Health Department is putting together information for deer hunting season next week, to minimize any COVID-19 outbreaks. November ended with over 400 positive cases in Vineland, and just today, there were 37 positive cases to begin December.

Councilwoman Arthur commented that she enjoyed the Christmas parade, which was well attended. She also thanked Mr. Lewis for providing vehicles for Council members.

The issue of the VDID not utilizing the downtown speaker system to play season music was raised again. VDID has not been playing music because of licensing for intellectual property. It was suggested that recordings of our Vineland High School musicians and choir may be a way to solve the problem. Solicitor Tonetta will explore the music licensing issue further and provide guidance.

Councilman Vargas reported that all recreational fields are closed for the winter. Repairs at the various fields and parks are ongoing where needed.

Councilman Franceschini shared that he recently noticed West Side Park is looking rather shabby.

President Spinelli inquired about an update about the hero vehicle. Administrator Dickenson will check on it and get back to him. President Spinelli also thanked Mr. Lewis. He congratulated the VDID for a nice Christmas parade and extended thanks to the departments of Public Works and Fire for their assistance.

The President 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