

PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE  
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021  
6:00 P.M.

The Pre-Meeting Conference of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the President, Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur.

The following members were present at roll call:  
Councilman David Acosta  
Councilman Ronald J. Franceschini, Jr.  
President Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur

Councilman Paul F. Spinelli was absent.  
Councilman Albert Vargas was absent.

Also present were: Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor  
Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Business Administrator  
Susan M. Baldosaro, Chief Financial Officer

President Arthur 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 8, 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.

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

Delight Coucill, Pittsgrove Township, NJ. She referenced the city trash ordinance, particularly the section dealing with violations and penalties. She explained that she is a landlord in Vineland and tenants have violated the ordinance. She has four current summonses, as second offenses, and must appear in municipal court tomorrow. She explained that had she been notified about the violation, the problem(s) would have been corrected promptly. The property she referenced is 56 S. West Avenue. When she questioned the code enforcement officer why notices weren't provided before summonses were issued, he told her to take it up with City Council. In her reading of the ordinance, she found no provision that says notices can't be provided upon the second incident, sending it directly as a summons to court. Dr. Arthur explained that we will investigate the matter and someone would get back to her.

There being no one further to be heard, the Clerk reviewed revisions and additions to the agenda. Ordinance 2021-24, ordinance accepting the donation of land known as 200 N.W. Boulevard, Block 2912, Lot 1 from the Enterprise Zone Development Corporation of Vineland and Millville, was added. A revised version of Resolution 2021-169, authorizing extraordinary unspecifiable services agreements for renewal of certain insurance coverages and services for the Vineland Municipal Electric Utility, was provided to reflect the lower cost in the body of the resolution. A revised version of Resolution 2021-172, authorizing an agreement for professional services with John D. Lawrence, Inc., Sewell, NJ, to provide engineering and alterations to the Unit #11 gas compressor building for removal of the unit gas compressor, in an amount not to exceed \$284,115.00, was provided to correct the total, which had the figure transposed. Resolution 2021-187, authorizing the issuance of a request for proposals pursuant to competitive contracting provisions of the local public contracts law in connection with the city's proposed broadband services program, was added. Solicitor Tonetta explained that the electric utility years ago had the foresight to install fiber optic cable between the city hall complex and the Board of Education. It is Mayor Fanucci's hope to explore expanding this broadband service to the industrial park, then potentially to residential use. Resolution 2021-188, authorizing payment to Siemens Energy, Houston, Texas, for reinstallation and lease fees for Clayville Unit 1 repairs in accordance with a long term maintenance agreement. The Clerk reminded Council members that there is one commending resolution for the retirement of police sergeant Philip Martinez. Also, the public hearing on the CY2021 municipal budget will take place tonight, although the adoption will be at a later date.

Councilman Franceschini reported that approximately 30% of Vinelanders have had at least their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine. 16% have had the full dosage. More vaccine supply is needed. The news media has reported on the few incidents with the Johnson & Johnson single-dose vaccine, so that is on hold for now.

Councilman Acosta noted the opening ceremonies for the East Vineland and South Vineland Little League on April 24.

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

ATTEST:

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Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur  
President of Council

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Keith Petrosky, RMC  
Municipal Clerk