

REGULAR WORK SESSION  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2015  
5:30 P.M.

The Regular Work Session of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the President, Anthony R. Fanucci.

The following members were present at roll call:  
Councilwoman Maritza Gonzalez  
Councilman John A. Procopio  
President Anthony R. Fanucci

Councilwoman Angela Calakos was absent.  
Councilman Paul F. Spinelli was absent.

Also present were: Richard P. Tonetta, City Solicitor  
Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Assistant Business Administrator

President Fanucci 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 15, 2014 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 Fanucci asked if anyone from the public would like to be heard.

Steve Lewis feels that the NJ Senate version of a shared services legislation will allow some people to make a lot of money.

There were several special presentations tonight. First was Tracey Swan of the Cumberland County juvenile delinquency advocacy program. They formulate strategies to decrease juvenile arrest, etc. They are currently working on a program about gun safety and violence prevention. They recently created a parent guide to assist this effort. Kevin Guinan of the Prosecutor's Office was also present, as was Alexa Lewis of the Boys & Girls Club of Vineland. Alexa stated that there were 11 fatal shootings in Cumberland County last year. A short video presentation about gun violence was viewed by all present. Councilwoman Gonzalez thanked them for such an effective video.

VDID director Russell Swanson and Economic Development Director Sandy Forosisky were present to discuss the Landis Theater promotions. Councilwoman Gonzalez stated that Council members were interested in getting the Landis Theater shows and events included in the promotions. Mr. Swanson reported demonstrated a brochure that included the Landis Theater show schedule. It was produced for distribution at NJ tourist centers. The VDID also has the e-mail distribution list from the Landis Theater and all on the list get updates from the VDID on Landis Theater shows. Newspaper ads are also placed. Mrs. Forosisky also noted that the promoters do their own promotion as well. Mr. Swanson stated that the theater is a great asset, but it is underutilized. President Fanucci requested that a meeting be arranged to include the VDID, Economic Development, the theater Foundation and a couple of Council members to iron this out better.

EMS Chief Al Lincks reported that certain storms affect the EMS operations. At times they use SUVs for patient transport. He described the ambulance fleet and the maintenance issues, including the high mileage on some of the units. They typically schedule 4 ambulances from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. and 3 ambulances during the off-peak times. Additional ambulances are needed on standby in the event of maintenance issues or collisions. President Fanucci asked for a maintenance cost analysis on all our units, to include ambulances and SUVs. Chief Lincks explained that it takes at least a year to get a new ambulance.

Deputy Clerk Scarpa urged the Economic Development Office and Health Department to be careful about social media applications. She explained that we have to be sure to follow records retention schedules.

The Deputy Municipal Clerk reviewed the agenda.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Procopio, and seconded by Councilwoman Gonzalez, to adjourn the meeting. The Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Gonzalez  
Councilman Procopio  
President Fanucci

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Anthony R. Fanucci  
President of Council

ATTEST:

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Christine A. Scarpa,  
Deputy Municipal Clerk