

REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2016
6:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting 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 Angela Calakos
Councilwoman Maritza Gonzalez
Councilman John A. Procopio
Councilman Paul F. Spinelli
President Anthony R. Fanucci

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

President Fanucci led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, had been given on December 15, 2015 by the City Clerk, in the following manner:

1. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board in the lobby of the City Hall;
2. Providing written notice to the offices of The Daily Journal and The Press of Atlantic City; and;
3. Filing written notice in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Vineland.

President Fanucci began the meeting with prepared remarks concerning Winter Storm Jonas. He explained that the Public Works Department from Wildwood Crest offered assistance with the storm to Vineland, which eventually went to Mayor Bermudez. The offer was ten [plow] vehicles and ten drivers. The request was denied by the Mayor. City Council members have received numerous calls concerning Vineland's handling of the storm. City Council asked for a report from all departments last fall about their winter storm preparedness. Assurances were given to City Council that all was good, that the departments dealing with winter storms were ready for winter. President Fanucci said we must do better, as this is a public health and safety issue.

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard at this time.

Neil Lewis agreed with the comments made by President Fanucci about the poor storm response.

There being no one else to be heard, the Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2005-16, POSITION OF MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1 be given a Public Hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the Public Hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1 be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:
YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1 by title, and declared that with a vote of five yeas the ordinance is adopted.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1, to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2016-2, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 8, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS FOR THE CITY OF VINELAND (F.M.B.A., LOCAL 249 FIRE CAPTAIN AND FIRE LIEUTENANT), which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2016-2 be given a Public Hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2016-2.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion that the Public Hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2016-2 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2016-2 be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:
YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2016-2 by title, and declared that with a vote of five yeas the ordinance is adopted.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2016-2, to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2016-3, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAWS AND THE EMINENT DOMAIN ACT, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2016-3 be given a Public Hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2016-3.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the Public Hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2016-3 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2016-3 be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

Councilman Procopio stated there should be a way to settle this matter amicably.

Councilman Spinelli commented that there was quite a difference between the parties in the value of this property. This ordinance is a safeguard to move the project forward.

There being no further discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci
NAYS: Councilman Procopio

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2016-3 by title, and declared that with a vote of four yeas, and one nay, the ordinance is adopted.

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-18, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THAT THE BUDGET OF THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016 BE READ BY TITLE ONLY AT THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR SAID BUDGET.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-18 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk announced the BUDGET OF THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016 was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the BUDGET OF THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016 be given a Public Hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on the BUDGET FOR THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the Public Hearing on the BUDGET FOR THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016 be closed.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

Councilman Spinelli commented that the VDID plans and promotes events on Landis Avenue and helps to fill vacancies, etc.

Councilwoman Calakos stated that VDID Executive Director Russell Swanson has great ideas.

There being no other discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-19, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BUDGET OF THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-19 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos

Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk announced the ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016 was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016 be given a Public Hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on the ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the Public Hearing on the ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016 be closed.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:
YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-20, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE VINELAND DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-20 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:
YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-21, A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING EDWARD REISER UPON RETIRING FROM PUBLIC SERVICE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2016.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-21 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:
YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-22, A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SANDRA WEBB UPON RETIRING FROM PUBLIC SERVICE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2016.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-22 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:
YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio

Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

President Fanucci invited Sandra Webb forward and directed the Clerk to read the resolution in its entirety. A copy was presented to Ms. Webb. Tax Assessor Brian Conover congratulated Ms. Webb for 22 years of service. He wished her all the best in retirement.

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-23, RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF RESOLUTION 6138 OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF VINELAND THAT CERTAIN SPECIFIED PROPERTIES BE DECLARED AS AN AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO THE NEW JERSEY HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT LAWS.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-23 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-24, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND CULTURAL AND HERITAGE COMMISSION FOR 2016 BLOCK GRANT FUNDING.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-24 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-25, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED STATE CONTRACT VENDORS FOR CONTRACTING UNITS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2016 TO DECEMBER 31, 2016.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-25 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-26, A RESOLUTION TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT RESOLUTION NO. 2015-180, FOR PROJECT SUPPORT SERVICES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE CLAYVILLE UNIT #1 GENERATION STATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,528.07.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-26 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-27, A RESOLUTION AWARDED A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO PHOENIX ADVISORS, LLC, BORDENTOWN, NJ TO PROVIDE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE SERVICES, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000.00.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-27 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-28, A RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT TO WINNER FORD, CHERRY HILL, NJ FOR THE ACQUISITION OF ONE (1) 2016 AWD SUV POLICE PURSUIT VEHICLE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$52,366.00.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-28 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-29, A RESOLUTION AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO RUMSEY ELECTRIC CO., CONSHOHOCKEN, PA, FOR THE FURNISHING AND DELIVERY OF ALUMINUM LINE WIRE & CABLE FOR THE VINELAND MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY – DISTRIBUTION DIVISION.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-29 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-30, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS AND DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY OF VINELAND.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-30 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-31, A RESOLUTION MAKING TEMPORARY EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016 PENDING FINAL ADOPTION OF THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016 BUDGET.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-31 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-32, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ORIGINAL AND RENEWAL TAXICAB LICENSES FOR THE YEAR 2016.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-32 be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-33, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF SECOND GENERATION ENTERPRISE ZONE ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN TO LANDIS SENIOR HOUSING URBAN RENEWAL PARTNERS, LLC VINELAND, NEW JERSEY.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-33 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

Councilman Procopio questioned this loan.

President Fanucci explained that, according to the agreement, the loan will be repaid.

There being no further discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos

NAYS: Councilman Procopio

Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk declared that with a vote of four-yeyes, and one-nay, the resolution is adopted.

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2016-34, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF SECOND GENERATION ENTERPRISE ZONE ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN TO LANDIS SENIOR HOUSING URBAN RENEWAL PARTNERS LLC, VINELAND NEW JERSEY.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2016-34 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:
YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci
NAYS: Councilman Procopio

The Clerk declared that with a vote of four-yeyes, and one-nay, the resolution is adopted.

The Clerk presented the reports of the various departments for the months of March, April, May, June, July, August and September 2015 and request the reports be received and filed.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the reports of the various departments for the months of March, April, May, June, July, August and September 2015, as presented by the Clerk, be received and filed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to approve the street lighting report for January 2016.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for bids to be received at a Special Purchasing Board meeting on Thursday, February 18, 2016, at 10:30 A.M. for the following item:

1. CCTV and ALPR Systems Maintenance

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to authorize the City Clerk to return the bid bonds or checks of the unsuccessful bidders for the following items:

1. Aluminum Line Wire & Cable
2. Acquisition of Environmental Health Software

The President asked if any Council Members wished to be heard.

Councilwoman Gonzalez thanked the many volunteers who helped people during the storm.

Councilwoman Calakos stated this was not the first time a snow storm has brought us problems. Vineland deserves better. She also announced the Miss Vineland pageant was moved to this Sunday at the Landis Theater.

Councilman Spinelli reported that the PAL computers are being activated. VDID projects are continuing. The Recreation Commission is working on fields. He also stated that City Council takes issues seriously, and challenged the administration to step up and do better. He noted that most departments did a great job and that needed help was turned down.

There being no further comments, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to adjourn the meeting.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez

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Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

Anthony R. Fanucci,
President of Council

ATTEST:

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk