

REGULAR WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022
6:00 P.M.

The Regular Work Session 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 (*arrived at 6:01 P.M.*)
Councilman Ronald J. Franceschini, Jr.
Councilman Paul F. Spinelli
Councilman Albert Vargas
President Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur

Also present were:

Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor
Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Business Administrator
H. James Neher, Director of Public Works (*arrived at 6:12 P.M.*)

President Arthur led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Deputy City Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 15, 2021 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.

Steve Lewis commented that he recently attended a school board meeting and they allowed him three minutes to speak. Dr. Sneathan did call the next day to thank him for his comments and suggestions. He also mentioned he believed security at the Board of Education was inadequate.

B.A. Dickenson introduced Joe Henry from HardenBergh Insurance Group (City's TRICO JIF risk managers) who provided a handout packet and presentation reviewing Slip, Trips & Falls. He mentioned it is required for risk managers to attend a Council meeting each year to review. He chose slip, trips, and falls because that is second in worker's compensation claims.

There being no one further to be heard, the Deputy Clerk reviewed the agenda and alerted to everyone present the first August Work-Session was moved to Monday August 1st due to National Night Out taking place on the first Tuesday of the month (Tuesday, August 2nd).

Councilman Franceschini stated there was a recent vaccine billing problem due to an incorrect NPI numbers. BA Dickenson was made aware and Administration is reaching out to rectify the problem with Coronis Health (medical billing co.) He mentioned he was very concerned with the AED's in all our public parks and City buildings that there is poor signage and wonders who is checking batteries and expiration dates on pads to ensuring they will work in an emergency.

Councilman Vargas mentioned there is a PAL meeting tomorrow which he brief council on next week. Structural damage occurred to the PAL building over the 4th of July holiday weekend however it has already been repaired. Summer Camp is in session and they are working to bring back basketball in the fall. There's a new director at the PAL (Ret. Sgt. P Martinez) and is doing well considering the allowable hours he is allowed to work at the center.

Councilman Spinelli mentioned VDID is gearing up for the August Food Truck Festival. He noted a local Boy Scout troop needed a place to hold meetings and the Landis Theatre stepped up to the plate to help out.

Councilman Acosta brought the attention to a St. Louis shooting in February 2008 where members of the governing body and mayor were shot by a disgruntled citizen and stated we should be aware and practice security measures. He closed by mentioning the 55th Puerto Rican Festival begins this Sunday and runs next week and they are holding a car show in Landis Park during the festival this year.

President Dr. Arthur stated the recent football camp this past Saturday brought over 200 kids and was well supported by the community and many volunteers.

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

Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Dr. Arthur

Meeting Adjourned at 7:02 P.M.

Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur
President of Council

ATTEST:

Richard G. Franchetta, RMC, EJD
Deputy City Clerk