

REGULAR WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 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
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
Edwin Alicea, Director of Public Safety (*arrived at 6:07 p.m.*)
H. James Neher, Director of Public Works (*arrived at 6:18 p.m.*)

The President 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 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;
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.

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

Steve Lewis referenced triplexes, which were part of the discussion for the past few meetings. He believes city inspectors should be doing their job to correct problem properties.

There being no one further to be heard, the Clerk reviewed the agenda.

The Clerk noted that a communication from the Mayor may be added regarding reappointments to the Environmental Commission. Councilman Spinelli also would like an appointment made to the Vineland Downtown Improvement District Management Corporation board of directors. The Clerk advised that a resignation letter would first be needed, since all roster positions appear to be filled.

Councilman Franceschini referenced the 'swatting' incident last week at Vineland High School. (Swatting is a term used for anonymous call(s) warning of a potential planned shooting incident. In this case multiple New Jersey high schools were targeted.) He also noted that Millville public schools have authorized armed guards at their schools. He warned that we have to be properly prepared for emergencies.

Councilman Vargas stated that the PAL basketball games begin later this month at the Sabater School gym. The Salvation Army Fall Festival will be at their HQ on Chestnut Avenue on October 26.

Councilman Spinelli reminded everyone about the VDID Taste of Vineland event at Greenview Inn on October 26. The downstairs restaurant at Landis Theater is almost ready and looks great. The movie production company is casting for an upcoming production. The VDID Old Fashioned Christmas event continues to progress. The large Santa's mailbox is complete except for the painting. Public Works may paint it.

The 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
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur
President of Council

ATTEST:

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk