

PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024
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.
Councilman Albert Vargas
President Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur

Councilman Paul F. Spinelli was absent.

Also present were: Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor
Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Business Administrator
H. James Neher, Director of Public Works
Sheena Santiago, Special Events Coordinator

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 13, 2023 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.

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

There being no one to be heard, the Clerk reviewed the changes to the agenda since last week's work session. Ordinance 2024-54, appointing William McCafferty as municipal Tax Collector for the City of Vineland in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-142, was added for a first reading. The two resolutions adopting changes to existing deferred compensation plans were removed at the direction of the CFO. The resolution ratifying and confirming the appointment of Terry Andrus as alternate no. 4 of the Zoning Board of Adjustment was reassigned to be Resolution 2024-469. The resolution authorizing the issuance of original, renewal and/or transfer taxicab licenses for the year 2024 was reassigned to be Resolution 2024-470.

The Clerk distributed a draft of the 2025 City Council meeting calendar and he asked Council members to review it and communicate any recommended changes.

Councilman Franceschini noted that the Red Cross is making preparations for the relief efforts expected as a result of Hurricane Milton in Florida. It is currently a Category 5 storm.

President Arthur advised Council that she participated in a Vineland Historical & Antiquarian Society ceremony recognizing the women of Vineland who "cast votes" in 1868. She noted the upcoming fire department headquarters dedication on Saturday, and the retirement dinner for Fire Chief Luigi Tramontana that evening. Former Tax Collector Carmen DiGiorgio's retirement dinner was moved to October 18 due to the recent passing of his mother. New fire Chief Mark Cifaloglio will be sworn in on October 31. She also noted this weekend's homemade wine competition at the Greenview Inn.

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
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur
President

ATTEST:

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk