

PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2013
5:30 P.M.

The Pre-Meeting Conference 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:

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

Also present were: William E. Lutz, Business Administrator
Richard P. Tonetta, City Solicitor

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 April 23, 2013 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 there was any public comment.

Steve Lewis welcomed Solicitor Tonetta back.

The Deputy Municipal Clerk reviewed the changes to the agenda since the November 19 work session. Ordinance No. 2013-61, an ordinance authorizing the acquisition of properties located at 57 West Park Avenue, 58 West Park Avenue, and 112-120 West Wood Street (designated as portions of block 2801, lots 5 and 9, block 2916, lots 11, 12 and 13, and block 2232, lots 19, 20 and 21) in the City of Vineland, and authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to execute an agreement of sale and such other documents necessary to consummate said purchase; Resolution No. 2013-490, resolution authorizing the filing of applications with the federal emergency management agency for participation in the FY 2013 assistance to firefighters grant program; and Resolution No. 2013-499, a resolution authorizing the issuance of original and renewal taxicab licenses for the year 2013, were revised. Resolution No. 2013-499, resolution authorizing the sale of tax sale certificate by assignment; and the motion to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for bids to be received by the Purchasing Board on Tuesday, December 10, 2013, at 10:30 a.m. for the following items: 1. bucket truck, were removed. Resolution No. 2013-505, a resolution providing and authorizing the payment of bills and demands against the City of Vineland, was provided.

Councilman Spinelli inquired about Resolution No. 2013-482, a resolution for creation of a municipal investigation committee, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-25 et seq; and Resolution No. 2013-483, a resolution authorizing an agreement for professional services with Holman Frenia Allison P.C. Medford NJ for special forensic audit services for the City of Vineland relating to the Landis Theater project, he wanted to know why the City needed an audit and committee when the Attorney General's Office is looking into the matter. He declared he has a problem with spending tax payers money on what he believes is frivolity. Councilwoman Calakos disagreed and believes the residents of Vineland deserve closure and an investigation. Councilman Procopio said his understanding is the Attorney General's Office is not investigating this matter. He acknowledged the need of Council to get to the bottom of this issue.

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

Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

Anthony R. Fanucci,
President of Council

ATTEST:

Christine A. Scarpa,
Deputy Municipal Clerk