

REGULAR WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2013
6:00 P.M.

The Regular Work Session 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: Denise Monaco, Business Administrator
Richard P. Tonetta, Solicitor

President Fanucci 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 January 15, 2013 and February 26, 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 anyone from the public wished to comment.

David Mazur thanked Councilman Spinelli for his assistance in addressing issues near S. Eighth Street. Mr. Mazur also cited trash and debris on a cul de sac, Medina Drive. He also noted that some residents on Snyder Avenue have concerns about their well water and questioned how to get city water there. Solicitor Tonetta explained to Mr. Mazur that petitions are available in the Clerk's office for assessment projects such as water lines.

President Fanucci invited Dave DeWeese, attorney for the Trico Joint Insurance Fund to the table. Mr. DeWeese discussed the liability insurance in the JIF. He also discussed how he assigns attorneys to represent JIF members to cover other legal matters such as workers compensation and public officials' liability. He also noted that he is active in subrogation.

The Clerk reviewed the agenda.

Regarding the Fire Department headquarters, President Fanucci prefers to have a review of all the building information and a cost analysis. He doesn't see the sense in dumping large amounts of money into the building if the condition warrants a new facility. He also suggested that the City work with the Board of Education personnel to develop a facilities plan.

There were questions about the bike lane project on Elmer and Wood Streets. Several Council members believed the cost was rather high, and apparently only a minor portion of the funding is coming from a grant source. The bulk of the funding is from a bond ordinance. Council asked to review in-house estimates for projects before they go out to bid.

Councilwoman Calakos reported that schools Superintendent Dr. Gruccio asked to delay coming to City Council to begin a dialogue until after the public schools complete their budget process.

Councilman Procopio raised the issue of the City Hall chiller approved at the previous meeting. He is still concerned that future such jobs get proper competition from local vendors to help keep the costs down. He also questioned how an estimate from work done five or six years ago could be the basis of an in-house estimate. Administrator Monaco will obtain a report for Council members.

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
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

Anthony R. Fanucci
President of Council

ATTEST:

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk