

REGULAR WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2013
5:30 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 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 anyone from the public would like to comment. There was no public comment.

Vineland City Engineer Brian Myers was present to discuss the draft of the Local Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This report is prepared annually and provides a review of funding sources, the roads in process of being repaired and those in the planning stage for future work, the asset management program, retroreflectivity program (signs), the complete streets policy, safe routes to schools program, road safety audit program, and transportation enhancement program (streetscapes). Mr. Myers explained the Pavement Condition Index (PCI) and described how the SJTPO provided a photographic inventory of all 260 miles of roadways. He said the city should be addressing approximately 13 miles of roads each year to keep pace with deterioration. We have only been able to address approximately one-third of that annually. Councilwoman Gonzalez suggested that the list of roads being addressed and on the horizon be provided to the public. It was noted that this would be a good idea, as long as it was clearly explained that future work is only a goal and can be sidetracked by a variety of events.

The Municipal Clerk distributed copies of the Report of Audit for the year ended December 31, 2012. He directed Council members to read, at minimum, the Findings and Recommendations. A resolution will be scheduled at near-future meeting memorializing the fact that Council members did review the audit.

The Clerk reviewed the agenda.

Electric Utility representatives (John Wagner, Lisa Lucena and Tom Van Noord) were present to answer any questions regarding the utility matters on the agenda. An ordinance is scheduled for first reading authorizing \$2,250,000 of capital improvement funding for new Customer Care & Billing software. The utility representatives explained that the new Innoprise software is not capable of handling the utility's needs, so a new vendor will be sought through a Request for Proposals. President Fanucci asked why we are setting aside so much, and in advance of the RFP. He said it is bad business to advertise the amount of money we are setting aside for the project before we receive the proposals. Mr. Wagner responded that the law says we must certify the availability of funds if we issue an RFP. President Fanucci directed Solicitor Tonetta to research this matter to clarify it. He also inquired about the possibility of hiring a consultant to develop a proprietary program to do what the utility needs. The utility representatives responded that it would be difficult to do and timing is of importance. They said other utilities use vendor programs that work in similar situations.

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

Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman John A. Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

ATTEST:

Anthony R. Fanucci
President of Council

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2013

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk