

REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015
6:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting 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: Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Assistant Business Administrator
 Richard P. Tonetta, City Solicitor

President Fanucci led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 15, 2014 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; and;
3. Filing written notice in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Vineland.

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard at this time.

John Carr referenced Ordinance No. 2015-15, concerning the proposed re-zoning of the former state school property to industrial. He commented that it doesn't make sense to do it, with abundant available adjacent property to the industrial park that is already zoned industrial. He stated that the property in question is surrounded by dwellings and that the concept needs more work. He suggested an educational or senior citizen use for the property rather than industrial.

Edward Slaughter also spoke against the re-zoning, recalling there was a recent proposal to establish a rabbinical seminary at the property. He raised some specific questions, but President Fanucci explained that this was a forum for public comment, not a back-and-forth dialogue. Specific questions would best be handled by the specific departments, in this case Planning and Zoning.

Mrs. Diaz also spoke against the re-zoning, raising concerns about the existing pre-school facility in the area.

Clara Ogilvie questioned what will happen to the houses and the people who live in them. President Fanucci explained that no one has a crystal ball, but he is not aware of any proposal planned for the property.

There being no one else to be heard, the Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2015-12, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 8, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS FOR THE CITY OF VINELAND (SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, PART-TIME), which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2015-12, be given a Public Hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
 Councilwoman Gonzalez
 Councilman Procopio
 Councilman Spinelli
 President Fanucci

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2015-12.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the Public Hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2015-12, be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
 Councilwoman Gonzalez
 Councilman Procopio
 Councilman Spinelli
 President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2015-12, be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2015-12 by title, and declared the Ordinance adopted.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2015-12, to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2015-13, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 8, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS FOR THE CITY OF VINELAND (VINELAND SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOCIATION), which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2015-13, be given a Public Hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2015-13.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the Public Hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2015-13, be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2015-13, be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2015-13 by title, and declared the Ordinance adopted.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2015-13, to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2015-14, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 86-47, AS AMENDED AND KNOWN AS CHAPTER 123/ARTICLE III, SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, OF THE CITY OF VINELAND CODE, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2015-14, be given a Public Hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2015-14.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the Public Hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2015-14, be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2015-14, be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2015-14 by title, and declared the Ordinance adopted.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2015-14, to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2015-15, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 86-38 AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 425 OF THE CITY CODE ENTITLED LAND USE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION 6110 OF THE VINELAND PLANNING BOARD, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2015-15, be given a Public Hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2015-15.

Edward Slaughter expressed concern about the process, stating he (and other property owners) received a notice about tonight's public hearing, but they did not receive notice when the ordinance had its first reading. Solicitor Tonetta explained that the first reading is the introduction that sets the public hearing, for which notice was provided. Mr. Slaughter requested that City Council give serious consideration to the residences. He also noted his suspicions about who has an interest in the property and the re-zoning.

There being no one else to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the Public Hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2015-15, be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2015-15, be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

Councilman Procopio thanked all residents who appeared and spoke tonight. He stated the residents do have a right to know what is going on.

President Fanucci explained that when and if the property is going to be developed, residents will be given an opportunity to be heard at the Planning Board or Zoning Board meeting that handles it.

Councilman Spinelli said City Council appreciates hearing resident's concerns and he is not aware of any pending or planned development at the site.

Councilwoman Calakos also reassured the residents that no development is proposed for the property at this point, it is a zoning change.

Councilwoman Gonzalez encouraged everyone to keep up with the news by reading the local newspapers, and feel free to attend meetings or call Council members with questions or concerns

There being no other discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci
NAYS: Councilman Procopio

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2015-15 by title, and declared the Ordinance adopted.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2015-15, to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2015-16, which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2015-16, be taken up for the First Reading.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2015-16, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2010-10 AND ORDINANCE 2013-66 AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES KNOWN AS BLOCK 4201, LOTS 2 AND 53 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF VINELAND AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT OF SALE AND SUCH OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO CONSUMMATE SAID PURCHASES.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that ORDINANCE NO. 2015-16, be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:

YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-112, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF SECOND GENERATION ENTERPRISE ZONE ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN TO GUNNER GROUP, LLC.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-112, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-113, A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GRANT APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT FOR THE F.Y. 2014 NJDOT HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT (SAFE CORRIDORS ACT).

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-113, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-114, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTING A GRANT APPLICATION FOR A GENERATOR TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY THROUGH NEW JERSEY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GRANTS.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-114, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-115, A RESOLUTION AWARDED AN OPEN-END CONTRACT TO GARRISON ENTERPRISE INC., VINELAND, NJ, FOR THE FURNISHING OF ON-CALL EMERGENCY WATER SYSTEM REPAIRS.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-115, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-116, A RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT TO EXETER SUPPLY CO. INC., READING, PA, FOR THE FURNISHING AND DELIVERY OF ULTRASONIC WATER METERS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$46,890.00.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-116, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-117, A RESOLUTION REJECTING THE BID RECEIVED ON FEBRUARY 10, 2015 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF 2015 AWD SUV POLICE PURSUIT VEHICLES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO READVERTISE FOR BIDS TO BE RECEIVED BY THE PURCHASING BOARD ON MARCH 24, 2015.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-117, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-118, A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHARGE AGAINST VARIOUS LAND FOR LAND CLEARANCE AND AUTHORIZING SAID CHARGE TO BECOME A LIEN UPON SUCH LAND AND TO BE ADDED TO AND BECOME A PART OF THE TAXES TO BE ASSESSED AND LEVIED UPON SUCH LAND.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-118, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-119, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE REFUND OF TAXES.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-119, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-120, A RESOLUTION MAKING TEMPORARY EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2015 PENDING FINAL ADOPTION OF THE CALENDAR YEAR 2015 BUDGET.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-120, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-121, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS AND DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY OF VINELAND.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-121, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-122, A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MARCH 2015 AS 'BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF VINELAND MONTH'.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-122, be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll:
YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-123, A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2015-110, ENTITLED "A RESOLUTION APPOINTING TIMOTHY MCLAUGHLIN AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE."

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-123, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2015-124, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING BETWEEN THE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL, CITY CLERK AND STAFF, CITY SOLICITOR AND STAFF, ASSISTANT BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR AND STAFF, DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND STAFF REGARDING DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE DISCLOSURE OF MINUTES OF SAID MEETING AS PROVIDED HEREIN.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that RESOLUTION NO. 2015-124, be adopted according to law.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented the final report of cash receipts for calendar year 2014 from the Tax Collector, and requested the report be received and filed.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the final report of cash receipts for calendar year 2014 from the Tax Collector as presented by the Clerk, be received and filed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The Clerk presented reports of the various departments for the months of December 2014 and January 2015, and requested the reports be received and filed.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, that the reports of the various departments for the months of December 2014 and January 2015 as present by the Clerk, be received and filed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to approve the street lighting report for February 2015.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for bids to be received by the Purchasing Board on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. for the following item:

1. Acquisition of 2016 AWD SUV Police Pursuit Vehicles

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Procopio, to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for bids to be received by the Purchasing Board on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. for the following item:

1. Meter Pit Parts & Fittings

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos
Councilwoman Gonzalez
Councilman Procopio
Councilman Spinelli
President Fanucci

The President asked if any Council Members wished to be heard.

Councilwoman Calakos congratulated the all middle school production of "Annie," which was very well done. She also noted last week's International Day at Rossi School.

Councilman Spinelli noted that the Recreation Commission closed the fields until they dry to prevent damage to them. He also reported that PAL activities continue and that Spring sports are beginning. Perfect Game is planning to return to Vineland for their youth baseball tournaments.

There being no other Council Members to be heard, 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:

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk