

# Vineland Development Corporation

## Thursday, May 17, 2018

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The meeting of the Vineland Development Corporation was called to order at approximately 9:38 am in the Sixth Floor Conference Room, City Hall, Vineland, New Jersey. The meeting was held pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act with a notice being published in the Daily Journal and the official bulletin board at City Hall.

Present: Mayor Anthony Fanucci  
Donata Dalesandro  
Praful Thakkar  
Jeannine MacDonald  
Dr. Safee Chaudhri

Also Present:  
Sandra Forosisky  
Adrianna Velazquez  
Frank DiGiorgio

- 1) **Roll Call**: A roll call was made and a quorum was established.
- 2) **Approval of Minutes**: The minutes of the March 15, 2018 meeting was presented for approval.

A motion was made by Donata Dalesandro, seconded by Praful Thakkar.

YEAS: Mayor Anthony Fanucci, Praful Thakkar, Donata Dalesandro, Jeannine MacDonald, Dr. Safee Chaudhri

- 3) **Ratification of Bills**: The bills were presented for ratification.

A motion was made by Jeannine MacDonald, seconded by Donata Dalesandro to ratify the bills as presented.

YEAS: Mayor Anthony Fanucci, Praful Thakkar, Donata Dalesandro, Jeannine MacDonald, Dr. Safee Chaudhri

*(Resolution 2018-05)*

- 4) **New Business**:

### a. Landis Marketplace – Data Center

Sandra Forosisky advised the board we are continuing with plans for the Data Center. Working with Michael Tar who is going to use the Landis Marketplace as a mini data center, he is currently working this Christy DiLeonardo at Center for Workforce and Economic Development to post jobs and recruit potential employees in the fields of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Art. Michael will also be working with NJIT for intern and recruitment opportunities. The committee agreed this will be a very good direction for landis avenue. This data center will create 200-300 job opportunities.

**b. By-Laws**

Sandra Forosisky provided members with a handout outlining the amendments to by-laws of Vineland Development Corporation. Sandra reminded the major change would be the board composition but the goals and tasks of the VDC remain the same. Five members of the UEZ will become members of the VDC. Paul Spinelli will replace Al Vargas and Jeannine MacDonald will resign from the VDC.

Mayor Anthony Fanucci requested a motion to approve the By-Laws

A motion was made by Praful Thakkar, seconded by Dr. Safee Chaudhri.

YEAS: Mayor Anthony Fanucci, Praful Thakkar, Donata Dalesandro, Jeannine MacDonald, Dr. Safee Chaudhri

*(Resolution 2018-06)*

**c. Online Bill Pay**

Sandra Forosisky presented a request for online bill pay for telephone, cable, internet, water, electric, gas, sewer and insurance. Instead of requiring 2 signatures on a check just need approval of Director. To avoid late fees and to reduce cost and time. The board agreed this is practical and agreed to online bill pay.

Mayor Anthony Fanucci requested a motion to approve online bill pay for telephone, cable, internet, water, electric, gas, sewer and insurance.

A motion was made by Praful Thakkar, seconded by Dr. Safee Chaudhri.

YEAS: Mayor Anthony Fanucci, Praful Thakkar, Donata Dalesandro, Jeannine MacDonald, Dr. Safee Chaudhri

*(Resolution 2018-07)*

**d. Lease VCHEC**

Sandra Forosisky advised the board it is time to renew the extension of lease between Vineland Community Health & Education Center, LLC and The Vineland Board of Education. Bob DeSanto will prepare the addendum and will include on the June agenda for approval.

Mayor Anthony Fanucci requested a motion to approve the extension of lease

A motion was made by Praful Thakkar, seconded by Dr. Safee Chaudhri.

YEAS: Mayor Anthony Fanucci, Praful Thakkar, Donata Dalesandro, Jeannine MacDonald, Dr. Safee Chaudhri

*(Resolution 2018-08)*

5) **Old Business:**

**a. Landis Theater**

Sandra Forosisky reported upcoming events at the Landis Theater as well as upcoming summer camps with CHS and Caitlyn Geisser. Lee Tofanelli & Associates is also working with Jim DiMico who is interested in working with the theater to book more shows and increase attendance. Jim is a producer from Lakewood who worked with the strand theater for about two years before the attendance and bookings increased but the outcome was successful.

**b. Lease Mori's Resturant**

Sandra Forosisky brought the board up to date on the sale of Mori's and advised it is still pending. We will continue to market site to other buyers.

Sandra reported we will be moving forward with the judgement on Jim Mauro which will include past due rent, cleaning bill and unpaid electric utility charges.

Sandra advised the committee Cousins Cleaning was hired to clean restaurant and submitted a bill for \$7,700.00. Sandra advised the committee that this had to be completed to be able to confidently market the space for sale but also reminded the committee this will be included in the judgement against Jim Mauro.

Mayor Anthony Fanucci requested a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$7,700.00 to Cousins Cleaning.

A motion was made by Donata Dalesandro, seconded by Dr. Safee Chaudhri.

YEAS: Mayor Anthony Fanucci, Praful Thakkar, Donata Dalesandro, Jeannine MacDonald, Dr. Safee Chaudhri

*(Resolution 2018-09)*

**c. Other Business**

Sandra Forosisky and Mayor Anthony Fanucci briefed the committee on upcoming and recent projects in Vineland as well as the job oportunites the projects will create and the job oportunites that are currently available.

6) **Adjournment:**

Mayor Anthony Fanucci thanked the Economic Development department for all the work they have done and continue to do. Sandra thanked him on behalf of the department.

Dr. Safee Chaudhri made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Praful Thakkar. All members approved.