

CHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

R. Carlisle Roddey Government Complex
1476 J A Cochran Bypass, Chester, SC
Monday, November 2, 2020 at 6:00 PM

Minutes

Present: Interim Chairman Dr. Wylie Frederick, Vice Chairman Joe Branham, Councilman Brad Jordan, Councilman Mike Vaughn, Councilwoman Mary Guy, Councilman Alex Oliphant, Councilman Pete Wilson, Clerk to Council Karen Lee and County Attorney Joanie Winters.

1. **Call to Order**-Interim Chairman Dr. Frederick called the meeting to order. He asked for a motioned to move agenda item 8.a. Introduction to School Superintendent Antwon Sutton after citizens comments. Councilman Vaughn motioned to approve, second by Councilman Wilson. Vote 6-0 to approve.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation**
Pledge was recited in unison; Councilwoman Guy gave the invocation.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. **October 19th, 2020 Council Minutes.**
Councilwoman Guy motioned to approve, second by Councilman Wilson. Vote 6-0 to approve.
 - b. **October 26th, 2020 Special Called Council Minutes.**
Councilman Wilson motioned to approve, second by Vice Chairman Branham. Vote 4-0 to approve. Councilman Jordan and Oliphant were not in attendance for the October 26th meeting.
4. **Citizen Comments**-No one signed up to speak.
5. **Public Hearing** -Interim Chairman Dr. Frederick opened the Public hearing. No one signed up to speak.
 - a. **3rd Reading of Ordinance 2020-33** An ordinance to amend Chester County ordinance No 2020-16 The 2020-2021 Chester County budget ordinance in certain limited particulars *only. Used chassis for Lewis Fire Department.*

Interim Chairman Dr. Frederick closed the public hearing.
6. **Ordinances/Resolutions/Proclamations**
 - a. **3rd Reading of Ordinance 2020-33** An ordinance to amend Chester County ordinance No 2020-16 The 2020-2021 Chester County budget ordinance in certain limited particulars *only. Used chassis for Lewis Fire Department.* Councilman Wilson said the purchase could not exceed \$45,000 dollars. Councilwoman Guy motioned to approve, second by Councilman Wilson. Vote 6-0 to approve.
 - b. **2nd Reading of Ordinance 2020-32** An ordinance to amend Chester County ordinance No. 2020-16 the 2020-2021 Chester County budget ordinance in certain limited particulars *only. Unfreeze certain positions.* Councilman Wilson motioned to amend the current years budget to unfreeze the supervisor position in building maintenance, second by Vice Chairman Branham. Vote 6-0 to approve.

c. 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2020-34 An ordinance to create an AD Hoc committee for Burnt House Meeting Cemetery advisory committee and adopt its enabling act. Councilman Oliphant motioned to approve second by Councilman Jordan. Vote 6-0 to approve.

d. Introduction to School Superintendent Antwon Sutton. -Interim Chairman Dr. Frederick.

School Superintendent Antwon Sutton introduced himself to Council and said he was excited to be here and be a part of process. He was a native of Charleston, SC and has great plans for all the schools in Chester County.

7. Old Business

a. Update on Animal Shelter plans. -Councilman Wilson.

Councilman Wilson said the plans added to their agenda packet were from previous engineers and asked if Procurement Director Susan Cok and Public Works Director Robert Hall would speak on this. Mrs. Cok said the property in question would be surveyed to be sure the animal shelter would be suitable to build on it. According to the plans the building would fit, the reason they went with the previous engineer was they had plans drawn up from a year ago. The plans were put in three phrases with different amounts to complete, Councilman Wilson said Council should decide if they want to continue to work with the previous engineers or look elsewhere. Mr. Hall stated the plans presented to Council were for presentation only, the County has paid for the plans through the past one cents sales tax. He said this would give an idea of where to start. Councilman Wilson asked if the Supervisor could keep this moving forward and asked about the funding for the animal shelter and if the money that was left over from the Gateway expansion could be used since they were waiting on Chester Facility Corporation to make the necessary improvement. Attorney Joanie Winters said they hadn't been approved but would schedule a meeting with them to get this going. Mrs. Cok said they would need to know if Council wanted any changes to the plan, they would need to hire an architect through the RFP to make sure they qualify for the job. Councilman Oliphant said it should be someone who has had experience drawing plans for an animal shelter. Interim Chairman Dr. Frederick said he, Attorney Winters, Robert Hall, Susan Cok and Treasurer Tommy Darby would get together to look at engineering firms and come back with a recommendation.

b. 3rd Reading of CCMA20-09: Matthew Lawson request a 2.994 portion of Tax Map # 133-00-00-023-000 located off Edgeland Road, Edgemoor, SC be rezoned from R2 (Rural Two) to ID-2 (Limited Industrial) Planning Commission voted 4-0 to approve with a three year time limit, eight truck limit and no other structure but the current one along with a reverter clause. Councilman Vaughn motioned to approve, second by Councilman Wilson. Vote 4-2 to approve. Councilman Jordan and Oliphant opposed.

c. Update on Pinckney Road & Eureka Community Project and derelict houses in Chester County, and complaint procedures from other Counties. -Councilman Oliphant.

Councilman Oliphant said part of the fix was education started in classrooms to help fight litter. Attorney Winters said RCI has an existing contract with the County that covered building inspections and were willing to look at areas given to them. Planning Director Mike Levister said RCI was ready to start, once he starts receiving complaints they will start. Councilman Vaughn said if the citizens did not want to send the complaints in, they could notify their council member and they would do it. Councilman Oliphant asked about the progress of derelict vehicles. Interim Chairman Dr. Frederick said some of the responsibilities of the Litter/Nuisance Abatement Officer had been freed up so he could focus on the vehicles.

d. Council to decide whether to keep Appaloosa Ridge and Blade Run Road on the road list to be paved. Councilman Oliphant motioned to keep Appaloosa Ridge and Blade Run Road off the list for now, second by Councilwoman Guy. Vote 6-0 to approve.

e. Discussion regarding the naming of the entrance road at the Research & Development Center- Attorney Winters. Councilman Wilson motioned by resolution to name the entrance Business Park Drive, second by Councilman Jordan. Vote 6-0 to approve. Attorney Winters said County Council supersedes the Planning Commission in the naming of roads, therefore this would not go before them.

8. New Business

a. Introduction to School Superintendent Antwon Sutton. -Interim Chairman Dr. Frederick. (moved at the beginning of the meeting.)

b. Council to authorize the Animal Shelter to apply for Two Mauds matching grant for \$5000 dollars. Jeanna Laws. Councilman Wilson motioned to approve, second by Councilman Oliphant. Vote 6-0 to approve.

c. Approval of bid for a Mower at the Airport using bond monies in the amount of \$21,580.90-Susan Cok. Councilwoman Guy motioned to approve, second by Vice Chairman Branham. Vote 6-0 to approve.

d. Council to authorize Parks and Recreation Committee to apply for a State PARD grant for playground equipment to move the equipment and add handicap swings. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board voted 4-0 to approve. -Councilman Jordan. Councilman Jordan motioned to approve, second by Councilman Oliphant. Vote 6-0 to approve.

e. Council to authorize the acceptance of JAG funds for \$61,619.00 dollars with a ten percent match to purchase patrol cars. - Sheriff Dorsey. Councilman Oliphant motioned to approve, second by Vice Chairman Branham. Vote 6-0 to approve.

9. Boards and Commissions

a. Resignation from the Catawba Regional Workforce Development Board by Absentia. -County Council. Councilman Vaughn motioned to accept the resignation of Jennifer Rayburn, second by Councilman Jordan. Vote 6-0 to approve.

b. Appointments to the Catawba Regional Workforce Development Board. -County Council Vice Chairman Branham motioned to appoint Angie Bagley, second by Councilwoman Guy. Vote 6-0 to approve. Vice Chairman Branham motioned to appoint Alexander Rankin, second by Councilwoman Guy. Vote 6-0 to approve.

c. Resignation from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board- Councilwoman Guy. Councilwoman Guy motioned to accept James McNeil's resignation, second by Councilman Oliphant. Vote 6-0 to approve.

d. Appointment to Parks and Recreation Advisory Board-Councilwoman Guy. Councilwoman Guy motioned to appoint Jermaine Mapp, second by Councilman Vaughn. Vote 6-0 to approve.

10. Council Comments

Vice Chairman Branham asked to have an update regarding Murdock Road on the next agenda.

11. Adjourn

Councilman Wilson motioned to adjourn, second by Councilman Jordan. Vote 6-0 to adjourn.

Time: 7:30 PM.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the Chester News & Reporter, The Herald in Rock Hill, SC, WSOC-TV, Channel 9 Eyewitness News, the Mfg. Housing Institute of SC, WRHI Radio Station, C&N2 News, WCNC News and Capitol Consultants were notified and a notice was posted on the bulletin board at the Chester County Government Building 24 hours prior to the meeting.



