

# CHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

# R. Carlisle Roddey Government Complex 1476 J.A. Cochran By-Pass

April 15, 2013 6:00 p.m.

## **Council Member Archie Lucas- Presiding**

Minutes

In Attendance: Chairman Roddey Vice Chairman Branham Council Member Oliphant Council Member Guy Council Member Jordan Council Member Lucas County Attorney Winters

Absent:

**Council Member Holcombe** 

I. Call to Order

## II. Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation

- **III.** Approval of Minutes
- 1. Chester County Council Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2013

<u>Council Member Guy made a Motion to approve the Chester County Council</u> <u>Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2013, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Lucas, Council</u> <u>vote was unanimous.</u>

## **IV. Citizen's Comments**

**Mr. Jimmy Bruce**, Richburg, SC questioned the Ordinance titled SPE and asked that he be given a response. He stated that if this ordinance was enacted, all Chester County residents would be impacted and no one knew what it was about. Mr. Bruce also stated that Council Members and the Chairman supported Covanta and sludge being brought into Chester County and that the Montrose property has been

rezoned so that it could become a landfill. Chairman Roddey responded to Mr. Bruce saying that during Council Members comments they would answer his questions. **Ms. Nettie Archie**, Chester, SC also questioned Project SPE and felt that all information should be given up front and that no data from the 1<sup>st</sup> reading had been provided. She felt that procedure had not been followed.

# V. Ordinances, Resolutions & Proclamations

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of An Ordinance titled SPE

<u>Council Member Oliphant made a Motion to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of an</u>
 <u>Ordinance title SPE, 2nd by Council Member Jordan, Council vote was unanimous.</u>
 <u>Council Member Oliphant</u> commented that any ordinance involving Economic
 Development does not have to be revealed until 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading and County
 <u>Attorney Winters</u> also added that the owners of SPE would be in attendance at that time.

- A Resolution in Support of Fair and Equitable Housing
  <u>Vice Chairman Branham made a Motion to approve a Resolution in Support of</u>
  <u>Fair and Equitable Housing</u>, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Jordan, Council vote
  <u>was unanimous</u>.
- A Proclamation for Peace Officers' Memorial day Chairman Roddey read and presented a Proclamation for Peace Officers' Memorial Day to Deputy Lowery <u>Council Member Guy made a motion to accept the Proclamation, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council</u> <u>Member Jordan, Council vote was unanimous.</u>

### VI. New Business

1. Audit

**Mr. Bob Faulkner**/Faulkner & Thompson CPA gave Council a brief overview of the 2011-2012 audit. Mr. Faulkner stated that his firm had received the utmost co-operation from all departments and that the **County Treasurer, Tommy Darby** was invaluable in running not only the Treasurer's Office but the Finance Office as well because of the turnover last year in that department. Mr. Faulkner stated that the fund balance was healthy and that this was "an unqualified audit".

 Transfer of 0.357 acres of land from Chester County to Lewis Fire Protection Association. Chairman Roddey stated it was the very small strip of land between the Convenience Site and the Fire Department. <u>Vice Chairman Branham made a motion to transfer 0.357 acres of</u> <u>Land from Chester County to the Lewis Fire Protection Association,</u> <u>2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Guy, Council vote was unanimous.</u>

### VII. Boards & Commissions

1. Appointment to Solid Waste Committee

<u>Chairman Roddey made a Motion to appoint Robert C. Slayman of Chester, SC to</u> <u>the Solid Waste Advisory Board, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Chairman Branham, Council vote was</u> <u>unanimous.</u>

### VIII. Council Member Comments

**Chairman Roddey** stated he was opposed to anyone bringing their trash in to Chester and that our Solid Waste Plan does protect us from this happening.

**Vice Chairman Branham** concurred with the Chairman and that the Covanta deal was different from this as night and day and that before it's over with we'll wish Covanta did come in. He also said that he was 100% for the sludge being brought in and that at the Public Hearing meeting held on this out of 250 people at the meeting, 200 were for it. **Council Member Jordan** stated that buying garbage is not in the best interest of Chester County.

**Council Member Guy** stated that Covanta would have brought in jobs for Chester County. **Council Member Lucas** said a lot of people were invited to go see a Covanta site and those opposed to it did not go. He also said that Chester County would have received a fee for the trash brought in and it would have produced energy and that if anyone had gone to one of their sites they would have seen how clean it was and that it could have been a win/win situation for Chester County.

**Council Member Oliphant** said he was against landfills or incinerators but when Chester County is faced with it he would do his "homework" and come out swinging.

### IX. Adjourn

<u>Council Member Guy made a Motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Lucas,</u> <u>Council vote was unanimous.</u>

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the <u>Chester News & Reporter</u>, <u>The Herald in Rock Hill, SC, WSOC-TV, Channel 9 Eyewitness News, the Mfg. Housing</u> <u>Institute of SC, WRHI Radio Station, C&N2 News, WCNC News and Capitol Consultants</u> were notified and a notice was posted on the bulletin board at the R. Carlisle Roddey Government Complex 24 hours prior to the meeting R. Carlisle Roddey Chairman, Chester County Council Carolyn S. Clayton CCC Clerk to Chester County Council

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