



CHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

R. Carlisle Roddey Chester County Government Complex

1476 J.A. Cochran Bypass Chester, SC 29706

Council Chambers

Monday, October 3rd, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Present: Interim Chairman Dr. Frederick, Vice Chairman Branham, Councilman Jordan, Councilwoman Guy, Councilman Wilson, Councilman Vaughn, County Attorney Winters, and Clerk to Council Lee.

Absent: Councilman Killian.

1. **Call to Order-** Interim Chairman Dr. Frederick called the meeting to order.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation-** Pledge was recited in unison; Councilwoman Guy gave the invocation.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. **September 19th, 2022 Council minutes.** Councilwoman Guy motioned to approve, second by Vice Chairman Branham. Vote 5-0 to approve.
 - b. **September 26th, 2022 Special Called minutes.** Councilman Wilson motioned to approve, second by Councilman Jordan. Vote 5-0 to approve.
 - c. **September 29th, 2022 Special Called minutes.** Vice Chairman Branham motioned to approve, second by Councilman Vaughn. Vote 4-0 to approve. Councilman Wilson was not present for 9-29-2022 meeting.
4. **Citizen Comments**

Kenneth and Miriam Hines, 2130 Old Richburg Road, Richburg addressed Council regarding their support for new housing in Chester County.

Brenda McBrayer, 2633 Starnes Road, Edgemoor, SC addressed Council regarding being opposed to rezoning CCMA22-16.

Steve Schusterman, 541 E. Main Street, Rock Hill SC addressed Council regarding being in favor of the rezoning of CCMA22-16.

Paul Brown, 2536 Starnes Road, Edgemoor, SC addressed Council regarding being opposed to rezoning CCMA22-16.

T. Melton, 3066 Goblet Road, Richburg, SC addressed Council regarding his objection of how fire departments are chosen to receive new fire trucks under the Rural Fire truck rotation system.

John Agee, 3302 Lancaster Hwy, Richburg, SC addressed Council regarding his objection of how fire departments are chosen to receive new fire trucks under the Rural Fire truck rotation system.

Jay Williams, 1652 Woods Road, Chester, SC addressed Council regarding his concerns of statements he said were made at the August 15th, Council meeting about him.
5. **Ordinances/Resolutions/Proclamations**

a. Resolution 2022-13 to adopt lease agreement with Great Falls Heart and Soul.

Keisha Horton stated heart and soul had opened many great opportunities for the Great Falls Community. They put out over 200 surveys, the citizens replied with they want to see better things happen, such as nice restaurants, more businesses, they would like to have their own recreation facility, so they don't have to depend on the schools. They attend all the City Council meetings and have a great relationship with them also.

Cynthia Curtis with the ARIS Foundation located in Lancaster stated they want people to love their hometowns. Through the Community Development and Community Economic Development they have had a partnership with Great Falls since 2018. She stated that Great Falls steering team puts their emphasis on partnership, which meant the partnership between constituents and elected officials. They have council members on the steering team from County Council and Great Falls Town Council, she thanked Council for allowing them to lease the old magistrate's office so they could be visible in the community.

Attorney Winters stated the lease was one dollar a year, they would be responsible for the insurance contents along with general liability workers compensation. The County along with Heart and Soul would have sixty days back door on the lease. The lease is for one year with the option to extend for another year since it was a two-year program.

Councilman Vaughn stated Heart and Soul would pay all the utilities. Councilman Vaughn motioned to approve, second by Vice Chairman Branham. Vote 5-0 to approve.

6. Old Business

a. 3rd Reading of CCMA22-14 Jason & Leslie Willis request Tax Map # 047-00-00-035-000 on Walnut Grove to be rezoned from Rural Three District (R3) to Rural Two District (R2). Planning Commission voted 6-0 to approve. Councilman Wilson motioned to approve, second by Councilman Vaughn. Vote 5-0 to approve.

b. 3rd Reading of CCMA22-15 Arthur Lee Gaston II, VGHT LLC, and Saja Realty LLC request 0.12 acres of Tax Map # 070-00-00-013-000 on Thomas E Davis Lane to be rezoned from Rural Two District (R2) to Multi-Family Residential District (RG1). Planning Commission voted 6-0 to approve. Vice Chairman Branham motioned to approve, second by Councilman Jordan. Vote 5-0 to approve.

c. 3rd Reading of CCMA22-16 Randall and Jennifer Simoes request Tax Map # 132-00-00-211-000 on Starnes Road to be rezoned from Rural Two District (R2) to Limited Industrial District (ID-2). Planning Commission voted 5-1 to Deny. Vice Chairman Branham motioned to deny with the stipulation to give him sixty days to relocate his business and to use an alternate route using the road Edgemoor ARP church is on then 901, second by Councilman Jordan. Vote 5-0 to Deny.

7. New Business

a. Approval of four bid items for the Chester-Catawba Hangar Restoration Projects to Custom Coatings & Strickland Waterproofing for \$123,860.65- Susan Cok and Joe Roberts.

Mr. Roberts stated two of the open hangars roofs and gutter systems would be replaced, the hangar beside the office would get new paint and new gutters. There was one more they wanted to get done but didn't have the funds but plan on getting it done next year. It was the older full-size hangar. Councilwoman Guy motioned to approve using the money from the approved capital sales tax fund, second by Councilman Wilson. Vote 5-0 to approve.

b. Discuss naming a county road entrance off of J A Cochran Bypass-Robert Hall.

Mr. Hall stated the road was deeded to the County in 2013 but was never named. The road has five owners and would be added to the list of county-maintained roads in district three. The recommended road names were Meeting Street, City Side Street and City Side Drive, he stated he was open to any of Council's recommendation.

Councilman Wilson asked what prompted him to name the street.

Mr. Hall stated Public Works had been working hard towards trying to get all the street signs up to code and noticed this road was not named. After he and his staff dug through old minutes they found where it had been deeded over to the county.

Attorney Winters stated the minutes from 2013 the City had put funds in that project, she would like for Council to see the deed before naming the road. Council asked Mr. Hall to obtain more information and to have it back on the October 17th meeting.

c. Council to approve Lando Fire Department to apply for a SC Forestry Commission grant in the amount of \$10,000 dollars with a \$5000 dollar match to purchase a new skid unit and equipment for a brush truck. Eddie Murphy. Vice Chairman Branham motioned to approve, second by Councilman Jordan. Vote 5-0 to approve.

8. Executive Session

Councilman Jordan motioned to go to executive session, second by Councilman Vaughn.

Vote 5-0 to approve.

a. To receive legal advice regarding Project 2187. Attorney Winters.

b. To receive legal advice regarding Project 2228. Attorney Winters.

c. To receive legal advice regarding the hiring of the County Administrator. Attorney Winters.

Interim Chairman Dr. Frederick recused from 8.c.

9. Council Actions Following Executive Session

Councilman Wilson motioned to go back to regular session, second by Councilman Jordan.

Vote 5-0 to approve.

a. Action taken regarding Project 2187. No action was taken, permission given to Economic Development team to pursue the project.

b. Action taken regarding Project 2228. No action was taken, permission given to Economic Development team to pursue the project.

c. Action taken regarding the hiring of the County Administrator. Taken as information.

10. Council Comments

Councilman Wilson stated the Town of Lowrys received the playset that was funded by the 2020 Capital Project Sales Tax, the park has been packed since it was installed and good to see things working.

11. Adjourn

Councilwoman Guy motioned to adjourn, second by Councilman Jordan. Vote 5-0 to adjourn.

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.

Karen Lee, Clerk to Council