

CHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

R. Carlisle Roddey Government Complex

1476 J A Cochran Bypass, Chester, SC

Monday, March 4th, 2019 at 6:00 PM

Present: Vice Chairman Joe Branham, Councilman Pete Wilson, Councilman Alex Oliphant, Councilman Brad Jordan, Councilwoman Mary Guy, Councilman Mike Vaughn, Clerk to Council Karen Lee and County Attorney Joanie Winters. **Absent:** Chairman Shane Stuart was absent with prior notification.

1. **Call to Order-**Vice Chairman Branham called the meeting to order. He stated item 5.b. under New Business Mrs. Kellarhaults had a family situation and could not attend to speak on the Chester Regional Agriculture Center would be removed from the agenda and added at a later date.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation-**Pledge was recited in unison; Councilwoman Guy gave the invocation.
3. **Approval of Minutes-February 19th, 2019 Council Minutes.** Councilwoman Guy motioned to approve, second, by Councilman Vaughn. Vote 6-0 to approve.
4. **Citizen Comments**

John Massey of 171 East Lacy Street, Chester stated he opposed the Council's idea of wanting to bring inmates to Chester to pick up trash.
5. **New Business**
 - a. **Recruiting Volunteers for Red Cross- Tamrah Jordan**

Mrs. Jordan, Senior Volunteer Specialist for Red Cross along with Joe Hayes, Executive Director of the Northern SC Red Cross Chapter stated they both wanted to make everyone in Chester County aware of how important it is to have Red Cross volunteers in this area. Currently there is only ten volunteers in Chester County. Mr. Hayes stated the Red Cross responded to 134 disasters, helped over 500 people with 26 of the families being from Chester County. They also collected about 5000 units of blood from the four counties they represent, still the largest blood supplier in the nation.
 - b. **Chester Regional Agriculture Center-Gloria Kellarhaults- Removed from agenda**
 - c. **2018 VFA Forestry Grant Fund Match Request for \$4600.00. -John Agee**

Mr. Agee stated this was the second year in a row they have applied for a forestry grant, came in with the maximum allowed and was awarded \$4600 dollars and need a match of \$4600 dollars, they have to spend \$9200 dollars, and asked Council to match it. Councilman Oliphant asked if this could be added to the next agenda, and for the Supervisor to talk with the Treasurer to see where the money could come from in order to obtain and match the fund to purchase the high water/brush vehicle. Vice Chairman Branham stated this truck would be a great asset to use throughout the County.
6. **Executive Session-Councilman Jordan motioned to go to Executive Session, second by Councilwoman Guy.** Vote 6-0 to approve.
 - a. Receive Legal Advice on Animal Control Donations.
 - b. Discuss Economic Development Project 1844.
 - c. Discuss Economic Development Project 1904.
 - d. Receive Legal Advice Regarding a Non-Disclosure Agreement.

- e. Discuss Incentives for Future Economic Development Projects
 - f. Receive Legal Advice Related to A Fee in Lieu of Taxes Agreement Regarding PPG Industries, Inc and Electric Glass Fiber America, LLC.
7. **Council Actions Following Executive Session-Councilman Jordan motioned to back to Regular Session, second by Councilwoman Guy. Vote 6-0 to approve.**
- a. **Action Taken on Legal Advice Concerning Animal Control Donations. Taken as information only.**
 - b. **Action Taken Concerning Economic Development Project 1844. Councilman Oliphant motioned to give Karlisa Parker Dean (Economic Developer) permission to proceed with negotiations for Project 1844, second by Councilman Wilson. Vote 6-0 to approve.**
 - c. **Action Taken Concerning Economic Development Project 1904. Vice Chairman Branham motioned to give Karlisa Parker Dean (Economic Developer) permission to proceed with negotiations for Project 1904, second by Councilman Oliphant. Vote 6-0 to approve.**
 - d. **Action Taken Legal Advice Regarding a Non-Disclosure Agreement. Taken as information only.**
 - e. **Action Taken Concerning Incentives for Future Economic Development Projects. Taken as information only.**
 - f. **Action Taken Regarding Legal Advice Related to A Fee in Lieu of Taxes Agreement Regarding PPG Industries, Inc and Electric Glass Fiber America, LLC. Taken as information only.**
8. **Council Comments-**Vice Chairman Branham stated Mr. Stuart’s Mom’s funeral service was held today and this is the reason he was filling in for Mr. Stuart.
9. **Adjourn- Councilman Jordan motioned to adjourn, second by Councilman Vaughn. Vote 6- 0 to adjourn.** Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Joe Branham, Vice Chairman of County Council

Karen Lee, Clerk to Council

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