

# **CHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES**

1476 J.A. Cochran Bypass Chester, SC 29706 Monday February 6, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.

**Council Chambers** 

### **Members Present**

Chairman Shane Stuart, Chairman

Council Member Joe Branham, Vice Chairman

Council Member Brad Jordan

Council Member Archie Lucas

Council Member Alex Oliphant

Council Member Mary Guy

Council Member Pete Wilson

County Attorney Joan Winters

Clerk to Council Karen Lee

I. Call to Order-Called to order by Chairman Stuart at 6:00 pm. Invocation and Pledge was recited in unison. Chairman Stuart stated two items on the agenda will not be presented, Dr. Walt Collins under New Business and Project 1631 under Executive Session.

## II. Approval of Minutes

- 1. January 17, 2017 Regular Chester County Council Minutes-Council Member Guy motioned to approve. Chairman Stuart stated for the record Council Member Lucas recused from the vote of Nominations for Vice Chairman of County Council. Council Member Wilson motioned to nominate current Vice-Chairman Branham, seconded by Council Member Jordan. Council Member Lucas recused from the vote citing what had transpired in the past had not come to fruition of what the agreement was. Vote was 4-1 to approve. (Vote should have been 5-0). Council Member Lucas seconded the motion with corrections. Vote was unanimous.
- **III.** Citizen Comments- No one signed up to speak.
- **IV. Public Hearing-** No one signed up to speak.

**Third Reading** of an Ordinance to Authorize the County of Chester, By Chester County Council, To Sell the Real Estate Known as Tax Map Number 070-00-054 To The Highest Bidder Upon Such Terms and Conditions as Described in The Request for Bid Proposals

#### V. Ordinances/Resolutions/Proclamations

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- **2.** A Resolution Endorsing and Supporting Approval of the Rural County Transformation Fund by the South Carolina General Assembly; And Other Matters Related Thereto. <u>Council Member Oliphant motioned to approve</u>, seconded by Council Member Jordan. Vote was 6-0 to approve.
- 3. Resolution to Request a Traffic Control Device.

  Vice Chairman Branham motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member

  Jordan. Vote was 6-0 to approve.
- **4.** Resolution to Accept Real Property from Springs Industries, Inc. Council Member Oliphant motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Guy. Vote was 6-0 to approve.

### VI. Old Business

1. Replacement of Catawba Regional Council of Government Representative Council Member Guy motioned to delay appointments until the March 20, 2017 meeting, seconded Council Member Oliphant. Vote was 6-0 to delay.

#### VII. New Business

- 1. Dr. Walt Collins-Brief update of the USC Lancaster college and Chester County Students Taken off the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.
- 2. Harry Gibson and Bobby Aiken-Traffic Safety Concerns on Saluda Road Mr. Gibson stated he and his fellow worker Bobby Aiken were concerned for theirs and the public's safety at the Lewis Turnout Recycling Center. Mr. Gibson said to many people have been killed in this area, and asked Council if something could be done. Mr. Gibson suggested lowering the speed limit to 45 miles per hour or putting up a guard rail in front of the entrance would help. Council Member Oliphant suggested looking at changing the entrance when Council decides to redevelop all of the Recycling Centers. After much discussion the Council asked Chairman Stuart to follow up with John McCarter with SCDOT, reach out to the Sheriff and the Highway Patrol. No vote was taken.
- **3.** To Receive and Nominate a Person to Act On Behalf of Chester County Recertification of ACT Work Ready Communities.

Chairman Stuart stated since the passing of Carlisle Roddey this position needs to be filled. Council Member Oliphant suggested Chairman Stuart do a press release for this position

- along with the two vacant spots for the Catawba Regional Council of Government Representatives. No vote was taken.
- **4.** Eddie Murphy- Approval Request of Grant for A Warning Siren System for The City of Chester and Immediate Surrounding Areas.

Mr. Murphy stated he has received the grant approval but needs Council's approval to proceed. The total cost for the siren system is \$118,950 dollars with the grant match of 25% which is around \$30,000 dollars. Vice Chairman Branham motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Guy. Vote was 6-0 to approve.

- **5. First** Reading to adopt the Planning Commission's Recommendations for the following:
  - a. The Planning Commission voted 6-0 to approve Debra and Jackson Kisamore's request to rezone 3.018 acres located at 4109 Great Falls Hwy, Richburg, SC from General Commercial (GC) to Rural Two (R2) and known as Tax Map Number 139-00-00-098-000. Council Member Lucas motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Jordan. Vote was 6-0 to approve.
  - **b.** The Planning Commission voted 6-0 to approve Patricia Craig's request to rezone 4.00 acres located at 1339 Halsellville Rd, Chester, SC from Agriculture (AG) to Rural Two (R2) and known as Tax Map Number 054-00-00-025-000. <u>Vice Chairman Branham motioned to approve</u>, seconded by Council Member Guy. Vote was 6-0 to approve.
  - c. The Planning Commission voted 6-0 to approve Jason Warren, representing Kelly Scarry's request to rezone 4.00 acres located on Mountain Gap Rd, Richburg, SC from Rural Two (R2) to Limited Industrial (ID2) and known as Tax Map Number 126-00-00-062-000. Council Member Lucas motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Oliphant. Council Member Jordan stated he needed more information. Vote was 5-1 to approve.
  - **d.** The Planning Commission voted 6-0 to approve Jason Warren, representing Susan Scarry's request to rezone 7.00 acres located on Mountain Gap Rd, Richburg, SC from Rural Two (R2) to Limited Industrial (ID2) and known as Tax Map Number 126-00-00-155-000. Council Member Wilson motioned to approve, seconded by Vice Chairman Branham. Council Member Jordan stated he needed more information. Vote was 5-1 to approve.

#### VIII. Boards and Commissions

1. Appoint Wade Young to Parks and Recreation Advisory Board- Chairman Stuart Chairman Stuart motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Guy. Vote was 6-0 to approve.

- 2. Resignation from Construction Board of Appeals by L B Cannon-Council Member Oliphant Council Member Oliphant motioned to accept the resignation, seconded by Council Member Lucas. Vote was 6-0 to approve.
- **3.** Reappoint Azzie Lee Hill to the Planning Commission-Council Member Oliphant Council Member Oliphant motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Guy. Vote was 6-0 to approve.
- **4.** Reappoint Ella Mae Spann to Zoning Board of Appeals-Council Member Oliphant Council Member Oliphant motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Jordan. Vote was 6-0 to approve.
- **5.** Reappoint Chris Winters to the Library Board-Council Member Oliphant Council Member Oliphant motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Jordan. Vote was 6-0 to approve.
- **6.** Reappoint Andy Martin to Rural Fire Services-Council Member Wilson Council Member Wilson motioned to approve, seconded by Vice Chairman Branham. Vote was 6-0 to approve.
- 7. Reappoint Marvin Grant to the Planning Commission-Council Member Wilson Council Member Wilson motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Lucas. Vote was 6-0 to approve
- **8.** Reappoint Tommy Grant to the Hazel Pittman Center-Council Member Wilson Council Member Wilson motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Guy. Vote was 6-0 to approve
- 9. Reappoint Joan Guyton to the Library Board-Council Member Wilson

  Council Member Wilson motioned to approve, seconded by Council Member Jordan. Vote

  was 6-0 to approve
- **IX.** Executive Session- Council Member Oliphant motioned to go into Executive Session, seconded by Council Member Guy. Vote was 6-0 to approve. Time was 7:03 pm.
  - **1.** To Receive Legal Advice Concerning Project 1631 Taken off the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.
  - 2. To Receive Legal Advice Concerning Southeastern Petroleum
  - 3. Discussion Over a Potential Lease Agreement for a EMA Office
- X. Council Actions after Executive Session-Council Member Lucas motioned to go back to regular session, seconded by Vice Chairman Branham. Vote was 6-0 to approve. Time was 8:00 pm.
  - **1.** Action Taken Concerning Legal Advice for Project 1631 Taken off the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

- 2. Action Taken Concerning Legal Advice for Southeastern Petroleum-County Attorney Winters stated this property was sold at a special called tax sale in June of last year, defaulting tax payers has a year to redeem when the County sells their property. The redemption period will run until late June of this year and if the defaulting tax payer does not redeem the property the County will deed to the Chester County Forfeited Land Commission. The current outstanding taxes are \$2.5 million dollars. No action was taken.
- **3.** Action Taken Regarding Potential Lease Agreement for a EMA Office-No action was taken.
- **XI. Council Comments-** Chairman Stuart stated the next meeting will be on Tuesday February 21<sup>st</sup>. Also the Household Hazardous Waste collection and paper shredding will be held April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
- XII. Adjourn- Council Member Lucas motioned to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chairman Branham. Vote was 6-0 to adjourn at 8:05 pm.

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<u>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</u> were notified and a notice was posted on the bulletin board at the Chester County Government Building 24 hours prior to the meeting