



## CHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Where: **Chester County Government Building**  
1476 J.A. Cochran Bypass Chester, SC 29706

When: **Monday July 18, 2016 – at 6:00PM**

### Members Present:

Chairman Shane Stuart – Presiding  
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Council Member Joe Branham – Vice- Chair  
Council Member Archie Lucas – Interim Clerk to Council  
Council Member Brad Jordan – Recreation Liaison  
Council Member Mary Guy  
Council Member John W. Holcombe  
Council Member Alex Oliphant  
County Attorney Joan E. Winters

- I. **Call to Order** ~ called to order at 6:03pm by Chairman Stuart
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation** ~ pledge recited in unison and the invocation was led by Council Member Lucas.  
**\*Chairman Stuart apologized for the delay in started this meeting, due to the Org Chart discussion meeting at 4:30PM before this meeting.**
- III. **Approval of Minutes** –
  1. **Chester County Council Meeting July 5, 2016** – Motioned by Council member Guy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Holcombe to approve these minutes. **The council voted 6-0, to approve.**
- IV. **Citizen Comments** ~ there were 5 citizens that signed up to speak
  1. **David Peay, 801 Charity Rd., Chester, SC 29706, (803)374-8980** – Mr. Peay stated that he is a citizen of Chester and loves his home town. Yet, when he tells

people that he is from Chester is does not like the negative comments that he receives back. Therefore, he is challenging the members of the council to a partnership for Chester 20/20. This will be an ongoing county wide conversation that will help build Chester into a great future. He invited them to be his guest tomorrow night in Charlotte, NC from 7-10:15pm. All information was in the handout that he provided.

2. **LeTanya Williams, 519 Dubs Farm Drive, Chester, SC, (803) 201-3901** – she spoke as a concerned citizen and a community leader on the change of the form of government. She stated that she feels that the council has not given the County Supervisor enough time to do his job, although she feels that he’s doing a great job. She stated that she attends many meetings, “Safe Routes to Chester High School” she often sees Shane at there. Although, she is standing by herself today, she is speaking for many and they feel as though the council is making the wrong decision in trying to change the form of government.
3. **Alfonzo Wherry, (803) 519-8270 – 1)** spoke about going to the recycling center and being told that because the medicine cabinet was wood, he had to take it to the landfill. He’s asking why can’t Chester County look into taking measures of making money off of some of the items that are being sent to the landfill. **2)** Sewer Sludge, by law it can’t be spread near your home in 3 years, up to 2/10 of a mile, but Council Member Oliphant is looking into this for him.
4. **Makeda Cheryl Baker, 115 Caldwell Street, Chester, SC (803) 374-1380** – stated that on July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11AM at 109 Ella Street, there will be a town forum addressing the issues that are going on around the country & nation with the police shootings and things of that sort.
5. **Dean Gaddy, Chester, SC** – he’s on record of changing the form of government in Chester. He feels that the County Supervisor is the most dangerous person that could be elected. He feels that this is the worse form of government. He’s in favor of changing the form of government.

#### V. **Ordinances/Resolutions/Proclamations** –

1. **Resolution to adopt 2016/2017 Organization Charts ~ Motioned by Council Member Branham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Jordan to adopt the Organizational Charts**

for 2016/2017 except 3. Those 3 are the County Supervisor's Chart, EMS and Public Works. The council voted 6-0, to approve.

2. **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of an Ordinance to Provide for an Election in Chester County, South Carolina to determine the wishes of the qualified Electors of the county with reference to whether the county should keep its present form of county government (Council-Supervisor with six (6) council members) or whether the county should adopt the council-administrator form of government with six (6) council members elected from single member districts and a council member elected at large; the referendum to be called in accord with section 4-9-10, S.C. CODE of Laws 1976 as Amended ~ Motioned by Council Member Branham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Jordan to approve this 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. The council voted 5-1, to approve. Council Member Lucas opposed.**
  
3. **1<sup>st</sup> Reading (By Title Only) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING (1) THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF (A) A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE FEE AGREEMENT DATED AS OF DECEMBER 1, 2008 BY AND BETWEEN CHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE "COUNTY") AND PPG INDUSTRIES, INC. (THE "COMPANY"), AND (B) A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT DATED AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 1995 BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE COMPANY, IN BOTH CASES TO DELETE CERTAIN PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN; AND (2) OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO ~ Motioned by Chairman Stuart, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Branham to approve this 1<sup>st</sup> reading. The council voted 5-0, to approve. Council Member Oliphant recused himself.**
  
4. **1<sup>st</sup> Reading (by title only) of an Ordinance to enter into an MOU between the Chester County Sheriff's Office and the Chester County School District to engage the services of the Chester County Sheriff's Office School Resource Officers ~ Motioned by Chairman Stuart, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Guy to approve this 1<sup>st</sup> reading. The council voted 6-0, to approve.**

## **VI. Boards & Commissions**

1. **Appointment of John Bunnell to the Zoning Board of Appeals – Council Member Holcombe** \*\*this action was not able to be done because Council Member Holcombe could not recall the person's name that Mr. John Bunnell is replacing. Chairman Stuart tabled this action to be done at the next County Council Meeting.

**VII. Executive Session ~ Motioned by Council Member Guy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Holcombe to enter into executive session. The council voted 6-0, to approve.**

1. To receive legal advice regarding Project 1631
2. To receive legal advice on county property on Ashford Road.
3. To receive legal advice on county property at the Airport

**VIII. Council actions after Executive Session ~ Motioned by Council Member Holcombe, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Guy to return to regular session. The council voted 6-0, to approve.**

1. **Regarding legal advice on Project 1631** – no action taken, received as information only.
2. **Regarding county property on Ashford Road** – Motioned by Council Member Branham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Jordan in title only, to put this property out for bid. This is 10 acres on Ashford Road. The council voted 6-0, to approve.
3. **Regarding county property at the airport** – Motioned by Council Member Oliphant, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Branham to move forward in title only, this 1<sup>st</sup> reading to take the offer of \$1,000 of less than .25 of an acre. The council voted 6-0, to approve.

**IX. Council Comments** ~ Council Member Guy thanked the Supervisor and Council for voting to fix and solve the drainage problem in East Chester, on McClure Street behind the Guy Apartments.

**X. Adjourn** ~ Motioned by Council Member Guy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Council Member Jordan to adjourn. The council voted 6-0, to approve. The meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm.

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K. Shane Stuart, County Supervisor  
& County Council Chairman

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Council Member Archie Lucas,  
Interim Clerk to Council

\*Minutes prepared by Tabatha Strother, Administrative Assistant

**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 R. Carlisle Roddey Government Complex 24 hours prior to the meeting**