

Chester City Council Meeting  
August 19, 2015, 5:30 pm  
Minutes

PRESENT: Council Members Linda Tinker, Susan Kovas, Carlos Williams, Annie M. Reid, Betty Bagley, Ike McBrayer and Angela Douglas; City Administrator Sandi Worthy; Human Resources Director Carla Roof and City Attorney Megan Gaston.

ABSENT: Mayor Caldwell and Councilman Killian.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pro Tempore Bagley called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

PRAYER: Mayor Pro Tempore Bagley led in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

NEW BUSINESS:

CCSD Police Coverage of Extracurricular Activities – Dr. Agnes Slayman requested that Council consider, in situations when extra coverage is needed, we allow our officers to respond as backup. Dr. Slayman stated the Sheriff's Department currently responds but she would like to see if the city patrol could respond as a backup on an as needed basis and could we request for two-mile radius for city patrol to cover if needed. The City would dispatch by 911 only to be used for sporting events, emergencies and school alarms. Councilman Williams stated that if we cannot be on one accord we do not need to pass this. The City and County need to have a relationship and get on one accord. We have to put aside politics; we need to do what is right for the kids. Councilwoman Douglas stated that Sheriff should present the invitation. Lt. Travis Moore stated the last thing we need is another Sandy Hook incident. Communication is the key and we need to continue to communicate. After much discussion, Councilwoman Tinker made a motion to approve to allow the city officers to provide backup for emergency and extracurricular activities. Councilman McBrayer seconded the motion. All in favor of the motion were Tinker, McBrayer, Kovas, Reid and Bagley. All opposed were Williams and Douglas. The motion carried.

With no further business, Councilwoman Tinker made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tempore Bagley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Carla Roof

Human Resources Director/CMC