

Chester City Council Meeting
February 8, 2016
6:30 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER; Mayor Caldwell called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

PRAYER: Councilwoman Susan Kovas lead in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor and Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS FORUM: No one present to speak.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Councilman McBrayer made motion to accept minutes of the January 11 and January 22, 2016 minutes as presented. Mayor Pro Tempore Bagley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Councilwoman Tinker made motion to accept the resignation of Ms. Guza, from the City of Chester Evergreen Cemetery Commission. Mayor Pro Tempore Bagley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Councilwoman Reid made a motion to accept the resignation of Ms. Elizabeth Claytor who resigned from the Historic Preservation Commission due to a conflict. Councilman McBrayer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Commission Appointments: Mayor Pro Tempore Bagley made a motion to nominated Ms. Nancy Anderson to the Evergreen Cemetery Commission. Councilman McBrayer seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mayor Pro Tempore Bagley made a motion to nominate Ms. Deedie Guza to the HPC. Councilwoman Douglas seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Strategic Planning – Councilwoman Douglas informed Council while attending the Legislative Action Day it was stressed the importance of having a Strategic Plan – Council needs to set a date for the Strategic Planning dates by the end of March. Mrs. Worthy will send three dates to review for mid to late March. City Administrator will contact Jeff Shacker from the MASC to see what dates he is available and will follow up with Council.

Public Servants Recognition Week – Councilwoman Douglas would like to recognize our public servants. I have reached out to the County to see if they would partner. Public Servants Recognition Week - Councilwoman Douglas stated that we should set date for Public Servants Recognition Week, which will be the week of May 1st through 7th, 2016. Council agreed to support.

Resolution City of Chester Policy and Procedure Manual – The Resolution was read by Councilwoman Kovas. Councilwoman Tinker made a motion to approve as presented. Councilwoman Reid seconded the motion. The motion carried with Councilwoman Douglas and Mayor Caldwell opposing.

Domestic Animals in the City - The Police department has been working with Animal Control on this issue. After discussion, Attorney Gaston will review this ordinance for contradictions.

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