



**CHESTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL**

Monday, April 23, 2018, 6:30 p.m.

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Mayor George Caldwell; Council Members Angela Douglas, Betty Bagley, William Killian, Linda Tinker, Annie Reid, Susan Kovas, Carlos Williams and William King; Interim City Administrator Carla Roof and Payroll Clerk /Interim Clerk to Council Sylvia Young.

**Call to Order:** Mayor Caldwell called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Prayer:** Mayor Caldwell led in prayer.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Caldwell and Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CITIZENS FORUM:**

**Raymond Carter** – Mr. Carter spoke to Council concerning the Police Department. Councilman Williams asked Mr. Carter what does he want Council to do? Mr. Carter responded the he wants Council to fire people, that is what he wants them to do!

**Andrew Griggs** – Mr. Griggs gave Council an update concerning the Hometown Hero's program. He invited Mayor Caldwell and Councilwoman Reid to be a speaker at the event on Friday, April 27, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. Mayor Caldwell advised Mr. Griggs to contact Reginald McBeth, Public Works Director to assist him with the installation of banners.

**Oath of Office** – Corporal Baker, Police Department – Officer not present at meeting.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Administrative** – Councilwoman Douglas gave Council an update Economic Committee.

**Finance** – Councilman King asked Council to provide him with information about audit. Mrs. Roof informed Council that Rebecca Brendle from Camp Moring & Brendle LLC, will provide them with an audit update at next Council meeting. Councilwoman Douglas and Council discussed Waterworks Account and the location of the rules for accounts.

**Fire** – Report in package.

**Human Resources** – Report in package.

**Police** – Report in package.

**Public Works** – Councilman Williams stated to Council that the hiring policy needs to be less linage.

- I. Departmental Reports – Tinker made a motion to accept Departmental Reports as presented in package with any necessary correction. Councilwoman Kovas seconded the motion. The motion carried with Councilman King opposing.
  1. Administrative – A. Douglas gave a report in reference to Economic,
  2. Finance - William King asked about audit. Roof- She will attend next Council meeting. Douglas – Research/asked about Waterworks Account? Asked Council where/rules for accounts.
  3. Fire – Report in package.
  4. Human Resources – Report in package.
  5. Police Department – Report
  6. Public Works – Carlos Williams stated that hiring policy needs to be less linage.

7. Recreation

VII. Committee Reports – Councilwoman Tinker made a motion to accept Committee Reports with any necessary corrections. Councilwoman Kovas seconded motion. The motion carried.

1. Finance – March 12, 2018 & April 9, 2018 report included, Councilwoman Tinker gave a report.
2. Properties – Councilman Kovas – No report
3. Public Safety
4. Public Works – Reid – Visit School of Inquire- Ms. Gaston to come downtown to plate flowers on May 1, 2018 about 60 children. Need compost, Farmers Market- planters will be taken there and flowers.
5. Recreation – Monday, April 30, 2018 at 4 p.m.

VIII. Commission Reports – Councilwoman Tinker made a motion to accept Commission Report with any necessary corrections. Councilwoman Bagley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

1. Evergreen Cemetery
2. Historic Preservation
3. Planning Commission
4. Zoning Board of Appeals
5. Housing Authority
6. Recreation

IX. Ad-Hoc Committee Reports – Councilwoman Tinker made a motion to accept Committee Reports as presented in package

1. Kitchen Committee
2. Economic Development Committee

X. New Business

1. Resolution 2018-2 – To withdraw further consideration of Ordinance 2017-02 – Kovas read ordinance.  
Made Motion: Councilwoman Tinker  
Seconded Motion: Councilwoman Bagley  
Voted For Motion: Douglas, Bagley, Reid, Kovas, and Williams  
Voted Against: Killian and King did not vote.
2. Community Uplift – Mayor Caldwell

XI. Unfinished Business

1. Commission Appointment – Evergreen Cemetery - C

XII. Executive Session

1. Contractual Matter Attorney Edwards – Evergreen Cemetery
2. Contractual Matter – Medical Clinic

**The City of Chester complies with the Freedom of Information Act Section 30-4-20 (a)**  
**Council may take action on matters discussed in Executive Session.**

## **GUIDELINES FOR ADDRESSING CHESTER CITY COUNCIL**

### **Citizens Forum:**

- Please sign the sign-in sheet upon arrival.
- Must state name and address.
- Each citizen will be limited to two (2) minutes.

### **Petitioners: (A maximum of five petitioners will be allowed per meeting.)**

- Must be placed on the agenda prior to noon on the Thursday before the Council Meeting on Monday.
- Must state name and address.
- Each petitioner will be limited to three (3) minutes.

**Public Hearings:**

- Must sign the sign-in sheet upon arrival.
- Must state name and address.
- Each speaker will be limited to a three-minute presentation.

**When introduced, Please:**

- Approach the podium.
- Speak loudly and clearly making sure that the microphone is not obstructed.
- DO NOT address the audience - direct all comments to Council.
- DO NOT approach the Council table unless directed.
- Allow Council the opportunity to ask questions when finished.

**Anyone addressing Council will be called out of order if you:**

- Use profanity.
- Stray from the subject.
- Make comments personally attacking an individual member of Council.
- Exceed the time limit.
- Speak from the audience when not on the agenda.
- Make threats or derogatory remarks toward individuals.