

Chester County Council Meeting

R. Carlisle Roddey Government Building 1476 J A Cochran Bypass | Chester, SC 29706 Monday, January 6, 2025 | 6:00 PM

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Pete Wilson, Vice Chair Erin Mosley, Councilman William Killian, Councilman Bobby Raines, Councilman Mike Vaughn, Councilman Corey Guy, Councilman John Agee, County Administrator Brian Hester, County Attorney Nicole Workman, Clerk to Council Kristie Donaldson

1. CALL TO ORDER, OPENING REMARKS, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Pete Wilson, District 4

The meeting was called to order at 6pm. Councilman Wilson overviewed the agenda and stated there would be no business discussed at this meeting, only the swearing in and election of officers. Councilman Wilson announced that the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 21st due to the observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Monday, January 20th. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

2. INVOCATION

Dr. Wylie Frederick The invocation was given by Dr. Wylie Frederick.

3. INTRODUCTION

Brian Hester, County Administrator Administrator Hester introduced all council members being sworn into office.

- a) Robert W. Raines, Jr, County Council District 3 sworn in by The Honorable Judge Brian Gibbons
- b) Pete Wilson, Chester County Council District 4 sworn in by The Honorable Judge Brian Gibbons
- c) William Killian, County Council District 6 sworn in by The Honorable Judge Angela Killian

4. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE

County Attorney Nicole Workman initiated the administration of oath of office for Councilman Robert Raines, Councilman Pete Wilson, and Councilman William Killian.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nicole Workman, County Attorney

a) County Council Chair

Attorney Workman took nominations for the Council Chair position. Councilman Agee nominated Councilman Guy. Councilman Vaughn nominated Councilman Wilson for the Chair position. Councilman Guy and Councilman Wilson accepted their nominations. Votes: Councilman Killian voted for Councilman Guy, Councilman Wilson voted for himself,

Councilman Vaughn voted for Councilman Wilson, Councilman Guy voted for himself, Councilman Raines voted for Councilman Wilson, Councilman Agee voted for Councilman Guy, and Councilwoman Mosley voted for Councilman Wilson. Attorney Workman confirmed votes with Madam Clerk. Vote 4-3 for Councilman Wilson.

b) County Council Vice Chair

Attorney Workman took nominations for the Council Vice Chair position. Chairman Wilson nominated Councilwoman Mosley. Councilman Guy nominated Councilman Killian. Councilwoman Mosley and Councilman Killian accepted their nominations. Councilman Killian voted for himself, Councilman Wilson voted for Councilwoman Mosley, Councilman Guy voted for Councilman Killian, Councilman Raines voted for Councilwoman Mosley, Councilman Agee voted for Councilman Killian, and Councilwoman Mosley voted for herself. Attorney Workman confirmed the votes with Madam Clerk. Vote 4-3 for Councilwoman Mosley.

6. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Chairman Wilson thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve and expressed his commitment to having efficient and professional meetings where everyone's voice was heard. He was excited about the bright and prosperous future for Chester County and believed the next year or two would be the best for the county.

Councilman Guy welcomed the new council member, Robert Raines, and the returning council members, Pete Wilson and William Killian. He also expressed that he looked forward to a prosperous year in Chester County. Councilman Guy noted that since he had been on the council, they had experienced some prosperous times and done really well. Councilman Guy stated that he looked forward to the council continuing to grow Chester County.

Councilman Bobby Raines stated that he was looking forward to working with the current members who had been on the council for several years. Councilman Raines expressed that he wanted to draw on their experience and learn a lot, in the hopes of being able to make Chester County a better place to live. Vice Chair Mosley welcomed the new Councilman Raines. She said she looked forward to continuing the work and atmosphere that the council had created throughout the county. Vice Chair Mosley noted that this also reflects well on the county's employees and staff, and she wanted to extend her appreciation to them, as without their efforts, the council could not do what they do. Vice Chair Mosley expressed her happiness for the new year and the new things going on, and said she was excited to do some good stuff. She thanked the citizens for entrusting the council members in their positions.

Councilman Agee expressed his appreciation for Councilman Raines being on the council. Councilman Agee said Mr. Raines had done a wonderful job as the chairman of the Planning Commission, and he looked forward to working with him and the rest of the council.

Councilman Agee stated that everyone needed to understand that Chester County was going to change, and the council had to figure out how to make the county a better place. Agee then requested that there be a discussion about building codes and fire codes on the agenda for the council meeting on January 21st. Councilman Killian stated that the council members should be fair about everything they do and do things straight from their heart. Councilman Killian stated he was going to do whatever it took to make Chester better and thanked the council for the opportunity to serve.

Councilman Vaughn welcomed new Council member Bobby Raines and offered his support and assistance. Councilman Guy announced the MLK Parade being held on Sunday, January 19th.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Mosley motioned to adjourn, second by Councilman Vaughn. Vote 7-0 to adjourn.