

Chester County Mayor Barry Hutcherson worked with TDEC's Rudy Collins to investigate properties which were being developed without water, sewer, electricity and other needs. The properties were being leased and as a tenant defaulted on payment, they were evicted for the next tenant. Mayor Hutcherson and TDEC's Rudy Collins took time to meet individually with tenants/people living on the properties. Many were/are living in deplorable conditions and in addition, these such properties are causing property values to fall in nearby locations.

Mayor Hutcherson worked with his local development district over the last 2 years to form committees and adopt planning commission guidelines. This has deterred the local developer of these properties from future developments in Chester County, however there is not much that can be done for existing properties.

Mayor Hutcherson recommends other mayors and elected officials to reach out to their local development district to help with similar guidelines if they are experiencing these issues.

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