

MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
January 4, 2016
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. called to order the work session meeting held January 4, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

Elected Officials Present: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. Mayor Pro-Tempore Phyllis Bynum-Grace, Council Members Randall Walker, Robert Jones, Riley Hunt, Willie King and William Jackson.

Elected Official Absent: None

Staff: City Attorney David Walker and Recording Clerk Annie Warren

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Joel Gray – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Chief Steve Lynn – Police Department, Decius Aaron – Director of Public Works, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services and Robert Smith – Economic Development Director.

Guest(s) / Speaker(s): Mike Baker

Media: Cheri Adams and Jake Jacobs - Houston Home Journal

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

3a. Consider a voting delegate for GMA's special membership meeting. Mayor Faircloth reviewed a memo from the Georgia Municipal Association relative to a special membership meeting on January 24th during the Mayors' Day Conference to elect a new GMA Third Vice President. Council concurred to designate Mayor Faircloth as the voting delegate for the special membership meeting.

3b. Discussion of the proposed sign ordinance. Council concurred to postpone this item until Mr. Gilmour is available for discussion.

3c. Discussion of proposed charge for non-compliance with Certificate of Appropriateness in the downtown district. Council concurred to postpone discussion until Mr. Gilmour is available to provide input.

3d. Discuss reinstalling the pedestrian light at Commerce Street and Macon Road. Council Member Jackson suggested installing the pedestrian light behind the sidewalk, possibly behind the pedestrian sign. Council concurred to ask Mr. Gilmour to perform a traffic

analysis of the intersection Commerce Street and Macon Road and bring back a recommendation for lighting at Welcome Park.

- 3e. IT Committee update report. Mayor Faircloth reported on the discussions of the IT committee relative to laptops and Board Paq software for council meetings. Mr. Mike Baker provided a demo of the Board Paq software and answered Council questions. It was the consensus of Council to proceed with the process for laptops and Board Paq software.
- 3f. Review priority issues for five year planning. Council concurred to postpone this item until Mr. Gilmour is available for discussion. Mayor Faircloth assigned each member of Council the task of compiling lists of priority issues for five year planning to be discussed at a called work session meeting on January 11, 2016.

4. Department Head Items:

Chief Gray, Chief Lynn and Mr. Smith had no reports.

Mr. Dye reported youth basketball began this evening.

Mr. Aaron stated he was glad it stopped raining.

5. Council Member Items:

Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace and Council Members Jackson, Hunt and Walker had no reports.

Council Member Jones reported the pothole on Park Avenue had returned. Mr. Aaron stated it has been repaired.

Council Member King requested an update on Westwood Trailer Park. Attorney Walker was unable to provide an update.

Attorney Walker had no report.

Mayor Faircloth's Items

- January 12th, Appreciation Dinner for Boards, Authorities and Commissions at Perry Arts Center
- January 13th, Perry Chamber "Leadership Institute Kick-Off" at Welcome Center
- January 18th, MLK Day Walk & Scholarship Luncheon
- January 20th, Buzzard Drop Review
- January 22nd – 25th, Mayors' Day Conference
- January 28th, Chamber Annual Meeting at Perry Arts Center

6. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the work session meeting held January 4, 2016, Council Member Jackson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.