

MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
March 28, 2016
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth called to order the work session meeting held March 28, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: Council Member Robert Jones

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, and Recording Clerk, Nancy Graham

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

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Mr. William Camp

Press: Mr. Jake Jacobs and Ms. Cheri Adams – Houston Home Journal, Mr. Wayne Crenshaw – Macon Telegraph

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

3a. Recommended proclamation/recognition criteria policy: Mr. Gilmour referred to the memorandum outlining the criteria for proclamations/recognitions. After the reading of the criteria policy by Mr. Gilmour, Council concurred to move forward with the criteria for proclamation/recognitions as submitted.

3b. Discussion of cooperative efforts between the City of Perry and Houston County Board of Commissioners: Mayor Faircloth referred Council to an email sent to Council outlining a summary of a meeting that he and Mayor Pro Tempore Walker had with Houston County Chairman Tommy Stalnaker and Commissioner Larry Thomson relative to the following issues: **(1) Future City of Perry water well and water treatment plant location**: Mr. Gilmour provided Mayor and Council a copy of the layout of the proposed location. After discussion and review the Council concurred to proceed. **(2) Improvement of Sandefur Road between Lake Joy Road and Houston Lake Road**: Mayor Faircloth advised that Chairman Stalnaker requested that the City consider Sandefur Road for repairing, resurfacing, and restriping this summer during the paving season. Chairman Stalnaker advised that the County is willing to cover half

of the cost, which is estimated to be between \$285,000 and \$315,000 and could be included in the LMIG contract for fiscal year 2016. Council concurred to move forward with the project. Mayor Faircloth asked that this item be placed on Tuesday's regular council agenda. **(3) City fire protection to cover for the County's Meadowdale Fire Station:** Chairman Stalnaker requested that the City of Perry consider entering into a contract with the County to provide fire service to the County area currently covered by Meadowdale Fire Station. He advised that the County would pay the City of Perry \$500 per call. Mr. Gilmour recommended that the issue relative to the fire fee be addressed first. After discussion, it was the consensus of Council to table this item pending receipt of legal advice relative to the fire fee. **(4) Provide water to the County to supply communities located on Hwy 341 W from the Perry Parkway to the Peach County line:** Mayor Faircloth advised that the County proposed to purchase water from the City for communities located on Hwy 341W from the Perry Parkway to the Peach County line. The County would be responsible for all infrastructure and understands a booster station may be required. Mr. Gilmour recommended that this item be tabled until the information relative to the fire fee (mentioned above) is received. Council concurred. **(5) Airport Improvements:** Mayor Faircloth advised that Chairman Stalnaker requested that the City of Perry reconsider the terms of payment on the T-Hanger Project. Council concurred to make payments of \$150,000.00 in June 2016 and again between December 31, 2016 and January 15, 2017 followed by a third payment (less than \$40,000) in July 2017. Chairman Stalnaker also requested that the City of Perry provide a response outlining their willingness to participate in the development of the Georgia State Patrol hanger. Council concurred to commit to participate. The amount agreed to was \$200,000, not to be expended until the end of FY17. Mayor Faircloth noted that this is subject to our fiscal condition a year from now and may need to be negotiated again. **(6) Striping of South Perry Parkway:** Mayor Faircloth advised that Chairman Stalnaker requested the City of Perry review the Parkway for potential striping. The County is willing to participate in this project for the roadway that is located in the County. After discussion, Council concurred that the City would pay \$60,000 and County \$20,000. **(7) Building Inspections:** Mayor Faircloth advised that the County has agreed to provide personnel, if needed to the City for building inspections. The City will be responsible for payment. **(8) Airport Ownership:** Mayor Faircloth advised that he and Mayor Pro Tempore Walker brought up the issue of long term ownership of the airport and the sovereign immunity impact because of their concern about a potential liability. Mayor Faircloth stated this was just an item for information.

- 3c. Consider proposals from qualified consultants for recruiting Director of Community Development: Mr. Gilmour provided Mayor and Council two responses from the six (6) firms which were contacted to submit a proposal for recruitment of the Director of Community Development position. Mr. Gilmour recommended to Council that the City go with Slavin Management Consultants. Mayor Faircloth directed that this item be placed on the March 29, 2016 regular council agenda for contract approval.
- 3d. Confirm proposed streets for additional LMIG monies for street striping: Mr. Aaron referred to the 2016 Street Striping Priority List provided to Mayor and Council. They are collector and arterial streets. Mr. Aaron advised that the Department of Transportation will make the determination which street(s) will be selected for striping. Council concurred to approve the list as submitted.

- 3e. Follow up on Council Member Hunt's request concerning outstanding debt of the City: Mr. Gilmour provided to Mayor and Council information in response to Council Member Hunt's request of the City's outstanding debt. Council Member Hunt stated he was satisfied with the information provided.
- 3f. Discussion of a Letter of Intent for Underwriting Services: Ms. King advised Mayor and Council that the new Municipal Advisor Rule adopted by the SEC requires a letter of intent must be executed to receive underwriting services from Raymond James. This is according to the new Municipal Advisor Rule adopted by the SEC. Signing the letter will permit Raymond James to give the City relevant information, ideas, and advice regarding the timing, structure, and other matters concerning bond issuance. Ms. King also noted that the agreement may be cancelled by either party, at any time. Mr. Camp advised that he would provide to Ms. King, for Council's review, information relative to refunding and refinance.
- 3g. Consider process for closing Main Street: Mayor Faircloth reminded Council of the complaint he received relative to closing Main Street. Mayor Faircloth advised that Main Street is closed twice a year, which is during Peaches to Beaches and the Dogwood Festival. Due to the infrequent nature in which Main Street is closed, it was the consensus of Council to continue as in the past.
- 3h. Confirmation of a proposed business license/utility services operating procedure: Mr. Gilmour referred to a memorandum outlining a proposed operating procedure for cancelling City utility service if a person, partnership, corporation, etc. is operating a function that requires, under the current City and/or State regulations, a current business license and none has been issued at a location receiving City utility services. Council concurred to confirm the procedure as submitted.

4. Council Member Items:

Council Member King advised upcoming businesses to Perry will be another Family Dollar. Mr. Gilmour stated Starbucks is also coming to Perry.

Mayor Pro Tempore Walker and Council Members Jackson, Bynum-Grace and Hunt – No reports.

Mayor Faircloth advised the following:

- Pre council and Council meeting tomorrow and as always, open to the public.
- Putts and Pucks Golf Tournament at Southern Landing Golf Course on March 30, 2016
- Mayor Pro Tempore will attend a proclamation signing for the Child Abuse Awareness Month on April 1, 2016 at Centerville City Hall at 9:30 a.m.

5. Department Head Items:

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

Mr. Dye advised the following:

- Movie in the Park on April 22, 2016
- Kids Fishing Rodeo on April 23, 2016
- Fire lanes have been painted at Rozar Park
- Baseball/Softball program is in place
- Signage is in place with contact information relative to field usage during the sports season

Mr. Aaron stated that this is the second week of the bagging initiative and that Spring Cleanup is April 25 – 29, 2016.

Ms. King requested permission to add to the agenda of the next regular council meeting – Installation of water and sewer main across Airport Road and Sandler project building.

Mayor Faircloth entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of real estate.

6. Executive Session entered at 6:20 p.m. Council Member King moved to adjourn the work session and enter into an executive session for the purpose of real estate acquisition. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
7. Executive Session adjourned and Council's work session reconvened. Council adjourned the Executive Session held March 28, 2016 and reconvened into the Council's work session.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2016-17 stating the purpose of Executive Session held March 28, 2016 was for real estate. Council Member Jackson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2016-17 stating the purpose of the executive session held March 28, 2016 was to discuss real estate. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. No action was taken. (*Resolution 2016-17 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).
9. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in the reconvened work session held on March 28, 2016, Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.