

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
**November 15, 2016**  
**6:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held November 15, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

Elected Officials Present: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.; Mayor Pro Tempore Randall Walker and Council Members William Jackson, Willie King, and Robert Jones.

Elected Official(s) Absent: Council Members Phyllis Bynum-Grace and Riley Hunt

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney Matthew Hulbert and Recording Clerk Cyndi Houser

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Decius Aaron – Director of Public Works, Kevin Dye - Director of Leisure Services, Robert Smith –Economic Development Director, Catherine Edgemon – Main Street Coordinator and Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Ms. Jean Beery, Mr. Bill O’Neal, Mr. Chad Bryant – Ocmulgee Inc., Ms. Judith Foskey, Mr. Ken Kirkland, Mr. Penrose Wolf, Ms. Elaine King and Imai Floyd

Media: Kristin Moriarty and Cheri Adams, Houston Home Journal

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Council Member Jones rendered the invocation and Council Member King led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Presentation(s)/Recognition(s): Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

Mayor Faircloth presented a proclamation to Ms. Edgemon and Mr. O’Neal recognizing Small Business Saturday on November 26, 2016. Ms. Edgemon and Mr. O’Neal spoke about the activities scheduled for the event and urged everyone to patronize the downtown merchants.

Council Member King presented an oversized check for \$500,000 to Mayor Faircloth and Council for a CDBG grant recently awarded to the City. Mayor Faircloth acknowledged Council Member King’s dedication to improving the City and assisting the constituents in his district. Mrs. King and their granddaughter Imai Floyd also gave remarks.

5. Citizens with Input:

Ms. Jean Beery, 901 Perimeter Road, Perry, Georgia spoke highly of the police department and particularly of Janet Duffin. She then presented a food gift to Mayor and Council.

6. Public Hearing: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:15 P.M. Mayor James E. Faircloth Jr. called to order a public hearing at 6:15 p.m. to provide any interested parties with an opportunity to express their views and concerns in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-67A-3 (c).

- 6a. Petition for Re-Zoning Application No. R-16-04. Applicant, Perry Capital, LLC requests a change to land use in the PUD #7 for Perry Preserve to have the commercial area become recreational use and for the recreation area to become housing. The property is located on South Perry Parkway.

Staff report: Mr. Gilmour stated this request had been reviewed by staff and they recommended approval.

Public Input: Mayor Faircloth called for any public input for or opposed to the amendment.

For: Mr. Chad Bryant, Ocmulgee Inc., explained the development originally expected to have commercial development along the front of the development, but it has not come about. Using the commercial area for a recreational area would be more feasible and the back area could be developed for housing.

Opposed: None

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT 6:18 P.M. Mayor Faircloth closed the public hearing at 6:18 p.m.

7. Consent Agenda Items: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

- 7a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the October 31, 2016 work session, November 1, 2016 pre council meeting, and November 1, 2016 council meeting. Council Member Jackson moved to accept the minutes as submitted; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried with Mayor Pro Tempore abstaining for the November 1, 2016 pre council and council meetings.

8. Old Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

- 8a. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr – None  
8b. Council Members – None  
8c. City Manager Lee Gilmour – None  
8d. City Attorney Matthew Hulbert - None

9. New Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

9a. Matters referred from the November 14, 2016 work session and November 15, 2016 pre-council meeting.

1. Adopted Resolution 2016-55 approving the CDBG Policies and Procedures. Mr. Smith explained that the resolution was necessary and a standard part of accepting a CDBG grant. Staff recommended approval. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker moved to approve the CDBG Policies and Procedures as submitted; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2016-55 has been entered into the City's official book of record.*)

9b. Ordinance(s) for First Reading and Introduction:

1. **First Reading** of an ordinance to change the land use in the PUD#7 for Perry Preserve to have the commercial area become recreational use and for the recreation area to become housing. The property is located on South Perry Parkway. (*No action is required by Council.*)
2. **First Reading** of an ordinance amending the Perry Code by deleting Sec. 15-34(a) in its entirety and adding a new Sec. 15-34(a). (*No action is required by Council.*)

9c. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

1. Adopted Resolution 2016-56 amending the City of Perry's EEO and Anti-Harassment policies. Mr. Gilmour explained this is a housekeeping item to update the language of the Perry Personnel Management system to reflect federal guidelines. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker moved to amend the City of Perry's EEO and Anti-Harassment policies as submitted. Council Member Jones seconded and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2016-56 has been entered into the City's official book of record.*)

- 9d. Authorized execution of a Quit Claim Deed for unopened portion of Marion Street. Attorney Hulbert advised the deed had been reviewed by the City Attorney's office and recommended authorization. Council Member Jackson moved to authorize execution of a Quit Claim Deed for an unopened portion of Marion Street while retaining stormwater drainage easements. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker seconded and it carried unanimously.

10. Department Head/Staff Items:

Ms. King, Chief Parker, Mr. Smith and Ms. Edgemon had no reports.

Chief Lynn reminded everyone of the Christmas Parade taking place at 4 pm on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> with Christmas at the Square on December 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at the old Courthouse.

Mr. Dye announced the outdoor movie at Rozar Park will be Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:15 pm. The goal is 400 attendees and he encouraged everyone to bring a chair.

Mr. Aaron stated this would be his last meeting before beginning a position in a new community and thanked Mayor and Council for all their support for the past two (2) years.

Ms. Palmer reported there have been over 44,000 hits on the web page since its launch and over 10,000 engagements.

11. Council Member Items:

None

12. General Public Items:

None

13. Mayor Items:

Due to the holiday calendars, Mayor and Council will not hold the Walk with Mayor and Council until February 2017.

November 17, 2016 – SPLOST press conference at 5 pm at County Annex in Warner Robins.

November 29, 2016 – SPLOST public hearing at 4 pm

December 5, 2016 – Next Council work session 5 pm

December 6, 2016 – Next regular Council meeting at 6 pm

December 7, 2016 – SPLOST public hearing at 7 pm

Mayor Faircloth asked everyone to take time to consider who and what they are grateful for and to share with their neighbors.

14. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular council meeting held November 15, 2016, Council Member Jackson motioned to adjourn at 6:34 p.m.; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.