

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
February 7, 2017  
**6:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held February 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Assistant City Attorney Matthew Hulbert, and Recording Clerk, Annie Warren

City Departmental Staffing: Major William Phelps – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Robert Smith – Economic Development Director, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services, John Schell – Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, and Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Darlene McLendon, Robbin Jackson, Crandall Postell, Roland Berry, Shrad Amrit, Mike Gray, and Keith Beckham

Media: Kristin Moriarty - Houston Home Journal, and Kelly McWilliams – ComSouth 100.

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

Reverend Willie King of Faith Bible Fellowship rendered the invocation and Council Member Walker led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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

\* Proclamation recognizing the Perry Rotary Club 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Mayor Faircloth presented a proclamation to the Perry Rotarians recognizing the club's fiftieth anniversary.

5. Community Partner(s) Update(s): None

6. Appointments to Boards/Commissions/Authorities: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

6a. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

- Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority

Mayor Faircloth appointed Mr. J. J. Kirk to the Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority.

7. Citizens with Input. Mr. Robbin Jackson thanked Mayor, Council and Public Safety for their support with the Martin Luther King Jr. march.

8. Review of Minutes: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

8a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the January 9, 2017 work session, January 17, 2017 pre council meeting and January 17, 2017 council meeting.

Council Member Hunt motioned to accept the minutes as submitted; Council Member King seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

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

- 9a. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. - None
- 9b. Council Members - None
- 9c. City Manager Lee Gilmour - None
- 9d. City Attorney Matthew Hulbert - None

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

10a. Matters referred from February 6, 2017 work session and February 7, 2017 pre council meeting. None

10b. Ordinance(s) for First Reading(s) and Introduction:

- 1. **First Reading** of an ordinance amending the Perry Code by adding a new Sec. 18-15. Regulation and control of the weight and size of motor vehicles operated on city streets – Mr. L. Gilmour. *(No action required by Council)*

10c. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

- 1. Resolution 2017-05 adopting the Joint Comprehensive Plan Update – Mr. L. Gilmour. Administration advised Mayor and Council the Joint Comprehensive Plan is in-line with the City's objectives and plans. Council Member Walker motioned to adopt the resolution as submitted; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution 2017-05 has been entered in the City's official book of record).*

10d. Award of Bid(s):

1. Bid No. 2017-07 St. Patrick's Drive Improvements Project

Administration presented for Council's consideration an award of bid for street improvements on St. Patrick's Drive. Staff recommended awarding the bid to low bidder Georgia Asphalt Inc. in the amount of \$208,577.74; funding for the project would come from SPOST 2012. Council Member King motioned to award Bid No. 2017-07 to Georgia Asphalt Inc. in the amount of \$208,577.74; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10e. Special Events Application(s):

1. The Perry Main Street Promotion Committee in partnership with the Perry Downtown Merchants Association will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day celebration event downtown on Friday, March 17, from 6 – 10p.m. - Ms. A. Warren.
  - a. Approval of street closures – Major W. Phelps
  - b. Approval of special event alcohol permit license application – Major W. Phelps

Major Phelps advised he had reviewed the request for street closures and the special event alcohol permit and recommended approval. Council Member Walker motioned to approve the special event application subject to including the street closures of the 800 block of Carroll Street and Ball Street from Main Street to Commerce Street; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 10f. Disposition of manufactured house – Mr. L. Gilmour. Administration recommended the authorization of transferring the manufactured structure to the Wilcox County Sheriff Department/Board of Commissioners to assist persons who lost their home during the January tornado. Administration stated the following conditions must be met: 1) County confirms within one week they are still interested in the unit, 2) receive the unit as is, and 3) pay all transportation costs. Council Member Hunt motioned to authorize transfer of the manufactured unit to the Wilcox County Sheriff Department/Board of Commissioners as described; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 10g. Surplus schedule – Mr. L. Gilmour. Administration directed Mayor and Council's attention to a memo declaring three vehicles deadline and recommended disposal of the vehicles per city policy. Council Member Walker motioned to dispose of the vehicles as described; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11. Department Head Items.

Mr. Smith advised Mayor and Council that he placed in their inner office boxes copies of the Robins AFB Economic Impact Statement.

Mr. Dye

- February 13<sup>th</sup>, start of soccer practice
- March 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, team pictures
- March 1<sup>st</sup>, beginning of basketball practice
- Creekwood Pavilion will be open for business on Friday
- Perry Public Arts Commission is writing the Master Plan, a public survey will be coming out next week.

Mayor Phelps announced the grand opening of the animal shelter will be held on Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.

Chief Parker reported Battalion Chiefs Rowell and Crumpton assisted the Guardian Center with instruction in biohazards.

Mr. Wood, Ms. King, Ms. Warren and Mr. Schell had no reports.

12. Council Members Items:

Council had no reports

13. General Public Items:

Mr. Walt Wood, 426 Sandefur Road, commended the Perry Police Department for their outstanding service and thanked the City Manager's office for their assistance with a cemetery inquiry.

Mr. Crandall Postell of Cordele, Georgia, expressed his concerns relative to city operations and fees. V Mayor Faircloth advised he would follow up on Mr. Postell's issues.

14. Mayor Items:

Mayor Faircloth

- February 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:45 a.m. – Houston County Development Authority Meeting
- February 15<sup>th</sup>, 3 pm. – Business of the Month
- February 21<sup>st</sup>, 5 p.m. – Pre council and council meetings
- February 28<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m. – Walk with Mayor and Council

15. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular meeting held February 7, 2017 Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.