

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
May 16, 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 May 16, 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, Phyllis Bynum-Grace, Robert Jones Willie King, and Riley Hunt.

Elected Official(s) Absent: None

Staff: Assistant City Attorney Matthew Hulbert, and Recording Clerk, Cyndi Houser

Staff Absent: City Manager Lee Gilmour

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Robert Smith – Economic Development Director, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services, John Schell – Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, Chad McMurrin – Lead Engineering Technician, Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager, Nancy Graham – Executive Secretary, Gail Price – Secretary, Janet Duffin – Executive Secretary and Joni Ary – Accounting Technician.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Dr. Edward Urbansky, Roland Berry, Claude Morris, Jeff Liszewski – SKI Development, Duane White, Anji Holley, Brenna Byrd, Sarah Nottingham, Toya Harris, and Claude Morris.

Media: Kristin Moriarty - Houston Home Journal, Wayne Crenshaw – Macon Telegraph and Marigrace Segó – ComSouth 100.

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

Council Member King rendered the invocation and Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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

- Introduction of new hire Brenna Byrd – Chief S. Lynn
Chief Lynn introduced Officer Brenna Byrd as the newest member of the police department to Mayor and Council. Mayor Faircloth welcomed Officer Byrd.
- Introduction of Anji Holley – Chief L. Parker
Chief Parker introduced Ms. Anji Holley as the new Executive Secretary in the Fire and

Emergency Services Department to Mayor and Council. Mayor Faircloth welcomed Ms. Holley.

- Proclamation recognizing Public Works Week – Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. Mayor Faircloth presented a proclamation recognizing Public Works Week to Ms. Sarah Nottingham of the Public Works Department.

5. Citizens with Input.

Mr. Claude Morris, 1616 Main Street, described an ongoing problem with water flowing over his driveway and asked for assistance from the City to resolve the issue.

Dr. Edward Urbansky, 602 Stockport Court, Kathleen urged Council to vote to remand the two ordinances related to the rezoning and annexation of 107.11 acres at the corner of Sandefur Road and Danny Carpenter Drive back to the Planning Commission for re-consideration due the many changes since the original submission.

Mr. Jeff Liszewski, SKI Development, explained to Mayor and Council he had spoken with the Houston County Schools Superintendent. Mark Scott and was advised that Mossy Creek School is currently under capacity and there may need to be re-zoning. He further explained the there are three (3) neighborhoods planned for the proposed annexation and also different requirements for R-2 zoning for the county and city.

Mr. Duane White, 258 Heather Sage Drive, felt there had been a lot of miscommunication on the proposed rezoning and annexation as well as changes to the original submission.

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

- 6a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the May 1, 2017 work session, May 2, 2017 pre council meeting and May 2, 2017 council meeting.

Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to accept the minutes as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded the motion, and it carried. (Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson abstained due to absence during the meetings).

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

7a. Ordinance(s) for Second Reading(s) and Adoption:

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance for the rezoning of property consisting of 107.11 acres from Houston County R-1, to City of Perry R-2 with the condition that residential uses are limited to single family detached dwellings only and 0.21 acres owned by the City to GU, Government Use. The property is located at the corner of Sandefur Road and Dany Carpenter Drive – Mr. B. Wood.

Mr. Wood explained the ordinance had been modified from the Council's public hearing and the original submission to the Planning Commission.

It was the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny the application. Council Member Jones moved to remand the application back to the Planning Commission based on public input and the changes from the original submission; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. **Second Reading** of an ordinance for the annexation of property consisting of 107.11 acres from Houston County R-1, to City of Perry R-2, with the condition that residential uses are limited to single family detached dwellings only and 0.21 acres owned by the City to GU, Government Use. The property is located at the corner of Sandefur Road and Danny Carpenter Drive – Mr. B. Wood.

The proposed ordinance was incumbent upon the adoption of the rezoning ordinance. Council Member Walker moved to remand the annexation ordinance back to the Planning Commission based on the previous motion regarding the rezoning of the property located at the corner of Sandefur Road and Danny Carpenter Drive. Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

3. **Second Reading** of an ordinance for rezoning of property from City of Perry R-3, Multi-Family Residential District to City of Perry Planned Unit Development. The property is located at Champions Way at Houston Lake Road – Mr. B. Wood.

Adopted Ordinance 2017-09 rezoning property from City of Perry R-3, Multi-Family Residential District to City of Perry Planned Unit Development. Mr. Wood advised this would reduce the side set back and all the lots would be consistent within the subdivision. The Planning Commission and staff recommended approval. Council Member Walker moved to adopt the ordinance as submitted. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance 2017-09 has been entered in the official book of records.*)

8. **Any Other Old Business:** Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

- 10a. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. -None
- 10b. Council Members – None
- 10c. City Attorney - None

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

- 9a. Matters referred from May 1, 2017 work session and May 16, 2017 pre council meeting. None

- 9b. **Award of Bid(s):**

1. Bid No. 2017-17 1 Ton Mini Dump Truck

Administration presented for Council's consideration an award of bid for a 1-Ton Mini Dump Truck. Staff recommended awarding the low bid of \$41, 224 to Alan Vigil Ford, Morrow, GA. Council Member Jones moved to accept the low bid of \$41,224.00 for a 1-Ton Mini Dump Truck from Alan Vigil Ford. Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson seconded and it carried unanimously.

10. Other Business/Supplemental Agenda:

- a. Approval of a Right-of-Way Mowing and Maintenance Agreement between the City of Perry and Georgia Department of Transportation.

Mr. McMurrian advised the City had been awarded a Gateway Project at Exit 136 from the Department of Transportation. As part of the award, the City must sign a mowing and maintenance agreement with the Department of Transportation. Staff recommended approval of the agreement. Council Member Walker moved to approve the mowing and maintenance agreement with the Department of Transportation for Exit 136. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11. Council Members Items.

Council and Attorney Hulbert had no reports.

12. Department Heads Items:

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

Chief Parker reported that four (4) firefighters went to South Georgia to assist with the West Mims forest fires covering 15,200 acres.

Chief Lynn:

- The five (5) county high schools will be holding graduation ceremonies May 26th & 27th at the Fairgrounds.
- Stuff the Cruiser and educational event was held May 13th at the WalMart Parking lot. \$720 was received for Loaves and Fishes plus the equivalent of 8 cruisers of food.
- National Police Week has several events the week of May 15-20th.

Mr. Smith:

- The Fuller Center of Perry home repair project requested volunteers for their May 20th work session.
- The Perry Housing Fair has been rescheduled to June 29th from 3-6 pm at the Faith Bible Fellowship Church.
- The Main Street Advisory Board and the Downtown Merchants Association are sponsoring a wine-tasting event on June 2, 2017 from 6-9 pm.

13. General Public Items:

Ms. Toya Harris, Perry Housing Authority, thanked the Public Works Department for

the smooth assistance of changing from a community-wide dumpster to individual totters for the residents. She also noted that the Perry Housing Authority is partnering with BB&T to help residents looking to buy a home by offering educational seminars and individual planning.

15. Mayor Items:

May 19 - Relay for Life to be held at the Georgia National Fairgrounds

May 23 - Walk with Mayor and Council at 5:30 at Gatwick Senior Housing

May 26 - Memorial Day weekend

June 5 - Work Session

June 6 – Council Meeting

16. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular meeting held May 16, 2017 Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.