

MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
June 19, 2017
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the work session meeting held June 19, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: Council Member Willie King

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney Matthew Hulbert, Recording Clerks Annie Warren and Gail Price.

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Police Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Robert Smith – Economic Development Director, Fire Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager, John Schell – Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Supervisor and Virgil Newberry – Public Works Department.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Davis Cosey, Lynn Gibbs, Dickie Gilbert

Media: Kristin Moriarty – Houston Home Journal

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

3a. Appearance(s):

1. Follow up relative to the City of Perry bidding process Mr. E. Graham. Mr. Graham wants someone to address Capital Projects. Mr. Graham's main objective is to keep money in the City of Perry. Council Member Hunt wanted clarification on the issue where Mr. Graham said we had a conflict from two City officials, one saying one thing and the other saying another. Mayor asked Mr. Gilmour to look into this and give an update at next meeting.

3b. Administration

1. Discussion of the tree ordinance – Mr. L. Gilmour. Mr. L. Gilmour recommended to Council to use the guidelines from the Greenville, South Carolina, Tree Ordinance for new construction for specimen trees until City

Council can get a revision. Mr. Wood advised that revisions should be available within the next month. Council concurred.

2. Discussion relative to solid waste collection bid – Mr. L. Gilmour Mr. Gilmour recommended that the City handle the schedule and billing of dumpster customers. Mr. Gilmour also recommended that the City establish a rotation list and assign as needed. Council concurred.
3. Discussion of leave provided by the City – Mr. L. Gilmour. Mayor Faircloth addressed the Coalition of Women - Purpose is to address each Middle Georgia local agency to try to convince them to provide 411 or Prenatal Leave Policy. Mr. Gilmour discussed the Short-term Disability/Leave Practice Policies.

3c. Economic Development Department

1. Wayfinding signage pertaining to City facilities – Mr. R. Smith. Mr. Smith advised in moving forward in the Wayfinding signage project he has some designs for the Council to review. Council concurred.

3d. Public Works Department

1. Presentation of Carl Vinson Institute management project – Mr. V. Newberry. Mr. Newberry presented his Powerpoint relative to Detention Ponds to Mayor and Council and answered questions.

Mayor Recognized

1. Davis Cosey (809 Evergreen Street, Perry, Georgia 31069) and Lynn Gibbs (1207 Swift Street, Perry, Georgia 31069) FOPAS. Mr. Cosey discussed some concerns that he has with the City of Perry Animal Retention Policy. Mr. Cosey has questions about the relationship between Friends of Perry Animal Shelter and the City of Perry. Request proposition for next City Council.
2. Dickie Gilbert (208 Pebble Beach Drive, Perry, Georgia 31069) Middle Georgia Radio Association discussed using the shelter at the Armory water tower for the radio repeater. He wanted to know when it would be on the agenda. Mr. Gilbert stated it is getting into tornado season. Mr. Gilbert requested permission to use the repeater that is in the shelter. Mayor requested Mr. Gilmour obtain information for the next Council meeting. Mr. Gilbert was concerned about there being no strips on Limerock Road. Mr. Gilmour stated that is in the project coming up in 2018.

4. Council Members Items:

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

Mr. Gilmour and Attorney Hulbert had no reports.

5. Department Head Items.

Mr. Smith – Invitation from I-75 Quarter Community Partners Mixer on Wednesday July 21st from 11:45 to 1:00 at Creekside Catfish. Mr. Smith also advised that Perry's first ever Housing Fair will be June 29th from 3 - 6 at Faith Bible Fellowship Church.

Chief Lynn, Mr. Wood, Chief Parker and Mr. Schell had no reports.

Ms. King advised that the City received the Certificate for Excellence in Financial Recognition Achievement for the 2016 Audit.

Ms. Palmer reminded everyone the "Your City Program" starts on August 10, 2017.

Mayor Faircloth items:

June 25th, 4th of July Parade and Fireworks

June 23rd - July 27, 2017 Georgia Municipal Association Annual Meeting

June 20th, Pre council and Council

6. Executive Session entered at 6:21p.m.: Council Member Jones moved to enter into an executive session for the purpose of real estate acquisition. Council Member Walker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
7. Executive Session adjourned; Council's regular meeting reconvened: Council adjourned the Executive Session held June 19, 2017 and reconvened into the regular meeting.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2017 – 21 stating the purpose of Executive Session held June 19, 2017 was for real estate acquisition. Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson moved to adopt a resolution stating the purpose of the executive session held on June 19, 2017 was to discuss real estate acquisition. Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2017-21 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).
9. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the reconvened regular meeting held June 19, 2017, Council Member Walker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:20p.m.; Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson seconded and it carried unanimously.