

**MINUTES**  
**WORK SESSION MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
**August 14, 2017**  
**5:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the work session meeting held August 14, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Assistant City Attorney Matthew Hulbert and Recording Clerk Janet Duffin.

Staff Absent: None

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Police Department, Robert Smith – Economic Development Director, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, John Schell – Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager, Chad McMurrin - Lead Engineering Technician, Sharon Kelly – ESG Regional Manager, Ryan Bode – ESG Plant Manager, Travis Falcione – ESG, Assistant Plant Manager.

City Departmental Staff Absent: Kevin Dye, Director of Leisure Services Department, Annie Warren, City Clerk.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Mr. Jim Kizer, Constantine Engineering, Mr. Mike Beckham, Constantine Engineering, Ms. Darlene McLendon, Perry Chamber of Commerce.

Press: Ms. Kristin Moriarty - The Houston Home Journal, Mr. Wayne Crenshaw – Macon Telegraph.

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

3a. Pump Station Evaluation – Constantine Engineering. Mr. Mike Beckham and Mr. Jim Kizer provided an overall summary of the proposed upgrades for the four pump stations in the City. Mr. Gilmour advised he would get back to Council with short-term and funding recommendations.

Mr. Ryan Bode provided an update on the 41 North pump station. Mayor Faircloth asked for a cost analysis on moving the pump.

Mr. Beckham provided a design review of the Water Treatment Plant. Mr. Gilmour recommended proceeding using concrete tanks. Council concurred.

- 3b. Authorize Use of Certain City Sites for Perry Plein Air Event September 7-9, 2017. Mr. Gilmour provided a summary of this event with proposed recommended locations being Rozar Park, Evergreen Cemetery and Rotary Centennial Park. Council agreed to proceed using these locations.
- 3c. Consider Adjustment to City Policy Regarding Annexation of Parcels N/E of State Route 127. Mr. Gilmour recommended to Mayor and Council that they uphold and retain the current policy. Council agreed that the policy will stand.
- 3d. Consider Painting a Portion of the Worrall Center. Mr. Gilmour presented photographs to Mayor and Council regarding Mr. Kevin Dye's request to paint the plastered sections of the James E. Worrall Center. Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson suggested switching to a contrasting color to prevent fading from sunlight.
- 3e. Consider Woody Bio-Mass Service Proposal. Mr. Gilmour recommended that Council get more definitive information and requested a further study to present to Mayor and Council at a later date. Council Member Walker asked if a lease option would be possible. Mayor and Council agreed to look at different options.
- 3f. Consider Possible Program for Middle Georgia Clean Air Coalition Participation. Mr. Gilmour asked Mayor and Council if the City has any interest in participating in projects involving the Clean Air Coalition. Council agreed to look into further and make a determination at a later date.
- 3g. Hotel/Motel Incentive Plan. Mr. Smith outlined the revised Hotel/Motel Incentive Plan policy regarding bringing hotel prospects to the City of Perry. Council agreed to move forward with Mr. Smith's recommendations.

4. Council Member Items:

Council Member King advised there is a leak on Talton Street that needs to be looked at.

Council Member Hunt stated he sees no improvement in the service from Advanced Disposal. Mr. Gilmour advised this service will be going out to bid in mid-October, as the current contract expires January 1<sup>st</sup>. Council Member Hunt also stated that only one car could get through the traffic light at Washington and Carroll. Mr. Gilmour advised he would have Department of Transportation look at this location again. Council Member Walker stated that the light at Washington and Main does not change in a timely manner either and he has received numerous complaints on this location as well. Mr. Gilmour advised he would look into getting it corrected and that another alternative would be pulling out the light and making that intersection a four-way stop.

Council Member Hunt asked Chief Lynn if the Police Department was having any trouble with their new cars. Chief Lynn advised that all vehicles have been checked and all is good.

Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson and Council Members Walker and Jones had no reports.

Assistant City Attorney Hulbert had no report.

5. Department Head Items:

Mr. Gilmour reported that an advertising executive from Houston Home Journal has approached the City regarding an ad for their First Responders Magazine. Mr. Gilmour recommended the City purchase a half-page ad in the amount of \$600.00 and referred the matter to Ellen Palmer. Council agreed to proceed.

Chief Parker reported he received a letter through Mr. Gilmour from Chief Jimmy Williams, Houston County Fire Department, regarding their mitigation plan. Chief Parker recommended the City of Perry agree to participate in-kind and sign the plan. Council agreed to proceed.

Ms. Palmer reported she has received a good response from the “Name That Park” survey. She further advised that the kick-off for the *Your City* event is Thursday, August 17, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at Houston Lake Country Club.

Mr. Smith, Chief Lynn, Ms. King, Mr. Schell, and Mr. McMurrian had no reports.

Mayor Faircloth items

- Pre-Council and Council Meetings are August 15, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- The August Chamber Business of the Month winner is Walker, Hulbert, Gray & Moore, with the celebration to be held Thursday, August 17, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at 909 Ball Street
- The Chamber’s Business Battlefield has had great response and will be held Thursday, September 7, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Heritage Park

6. Executive Session entered at 6:40 p.m.: On a motion by Council Member King, seconded by Council Member Jones and carried unanimously, Council went into executive session for litigation matter.
7. Executive Session adjourned; Council’s work session reconvened. Council adjourned the executive session held August 14, 2017 and reconvened into the council’s work session.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2017-25 stating purpose of the executive session held on August 14, 2017 was for litigation. On a motion by Council Member Hunt, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson and carried unanimously adopted Resolution No. 2017-25 stating the purpose of the executive session held on August 14, 2017 was for litigation. (*Resolution 2017-25 has been entered in the City’s official book of record*).

9. Adjournment: On a motion by Council Member Jones, seconded by Council Member Walker and carried unanimously, the reconvened work session of Council held August 14, 2017 was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.