

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
January 29, 2018
5:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the special meeting of the Perry City Council held January 29, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

*Ms. Bynum-Grace arrived at 5:50 pm

Elected Officials(s) Absent: None

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

Department Staffing: Robert Smith – Economic Development Director

Media: Kristin Moriarity and Cheri Adams – Houston Home Journal

3. Items of Review/Discussion:

3a. Discussion of the Downtown Development Authority – Robert Smith

Mr. Smith gave a PowerPoint presentation on where the Downtown Development Authority (the Authority) stands at the present time, what it has accomplished, what the Authority wants to accomplish and the vision the Council has for this group. Mr. Smith noted some take away items are needed to coordinate with the City's long range strategic plan; current inaction/stagnation; lack of focus; and need for leadership. A discussion followed with Mayor and Council providing suggestions for a plan of action.

4. Council Member Items:

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

Council Member King inquired on the status of a buzzard problem and was advised by Mr. Gilmour it had been taken care of.

Council Member Hunt inquired about the timeline for bricking along the 700 block of Carroll Street and holes on Valley Drive. He also wanted to verify that the "Gail

House” was to be moved. Mr. Gilmour advised that no application had been made for this. Mr. Hunt was further advised that First Baptist Church will need to start the process.

5. Department Head/Staff Items:

Mr. Gilmour and Mr. Hulbert – no items

Mr. Smith reminded everyone of the Town Hall meeting to be held on Tuesday night at 5:30 pm at Matt Arthur Elementary School.

6. Executive Session entered at 6:33 pm: On a motion by Council Member Hunt, seconded by Council Member Jones and carried unanimously, Council went into executive session for personnel, real estate and litigation.
7. Executive Session adjourned; Council’s special meeting reconvened. Council adjourned the executive session held January 29, 2018 at 7:05 pm and reconvened into the council’s called meeting.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2018-08 stating purpose of the executive session held on January 29, 2018 was for personnel, real estate and litigation. On a motion by Council Member Bynum-Grace, seconded by Council Member Jackson and carried unanimously adopted Resolution No. 2018-08 stating the purpose of the executive session held on January 29, 2018 was for personnel, real estate and litigation. *(Resolution 2018-08 has been entered in the City’s official book of record).*
9. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the January 29, 2018 called meeting, Mayor Pro Tempore Walker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm; it was seconded by Council Member King and carried unanimously.