

**MINUTES**  
**WORK SESSION MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
**April 1, 2019**  
**5:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro Tempore Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the work session meeting held April 1 2019, at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

\* Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace arrived at 5:14 pm.

Elected Officials Absent: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Assistant City Manager Robert Smith, Assistant City Attorney Brooke Newby, and Recording Clerk Gail Price.

City Departmental Staffing: Major William Phelps – Perry Police Department, Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager, Bryan Wood – Director Community Development, Ashley Hardin – Economic Development Director, Brenda King – Director of Finance, Tracy Hester – Chief Building Official, Danny Hicks - Code Compliance Officer, and Mitchell Worthington - Assistant Finance Director.

Ms. Newby introduced Joseph (Jay) Prine, Jr. as the new prosecutor who will be assisting in Municipal Court.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): None

Media: Jada Dukes - The Houston Home Journal

3. Items of Review /Discussion: Mayor Pro Tempore Randall Walker.

3a. Community Development Department

1. Update on code compliance activities: Mr. Hicks presented a slide representation of some before and after photos of areas that need to be cleaned.
2. Consider options dealing with boarded up buildings: Mr. Wood suggested the Community Development Department draft an ordinance pertaining to boarded up buildings and bring back to Council. It was the consensus of Council to move forward with Mr. Wood's proposal.

3b. Economic Development Department:

1. Consider options for old city hall and ALCON building: Ms. Hardin inquired about the old City Hall building and the ALCON building and the future plans for the building. Mr. Gilmour suggested that City Council think long term of what to do with buildings. Ms. Hardin stated that the ALCON building would be a good location for a restaurant.

3c. Office of City Manager:

1. Consider amendment to City Comprehensive Plan – housing relative to location of GDCA Tax Credit housing projects: Mr. Gilmour suggested putting a proposal together for City Council to take a look at. It was the consensus of Council to move forward putting a proposal together.

4. Council Member Items:

Council had no reports.

Mr. Gilmour received a request from a citizen to have an indoor skating ring that would operate year round. Mr. Gilmour recommended not at this time; Council agreed.

Mr. Smith

- Reported about Transportation Day at Lake Joy Primary
- Ms. Fitzner was requested to speak at the Garden Club
- April 8 is the beginning of Public Works clean up week

Assistant City Attorney Brooke Newby had no report.

5. Department Head/Staff Items:

Ms. King, Mr. Worthington, Major Phelps, Ms. Palmer had no reports.

Ms. Hardin

- Food Truck Rally is April 5, 2019 from 6:00 pm – 10:00.
- Food Truck Friday will be held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of every month.
- Dogwood Festival is April 13 and 14<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Wood

- May 5, Spring Cleanup
- March residential permits have picked up.

Hon. Larry Walker

- Appreciate the City of Perry

Mayor Pro-Tempore

- Walk with the Mayor and Council will be held on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at Rotary Centennial Park in conjunction with the Rotary Club.

6. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the work session held April 1, 2019, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:42 p.m. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.