

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
April 16, 2019
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held April 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Officials Absent: Council Member Robert Jones

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

City Departmental Staffing: Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Ashley Hardin – Economic Development Director, Mitchell Worthington – Assistant Finance Director, Anya Turpin – Special Events Coordinator, Mirian Arrington – Chief Court Clerk, Renia Davis – Building Maintenance Manager, Todd Ennis – Solid Waste Supervisor, and Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager.

Guest(s): Nick Blackmon, Megan Black, Becky Lee, Darlene McLendon, Bob Cunningham, Henry Dawkins, Mallory Poitevint, and Robbin Jackson

Media: Jada Dukes – Houston Home Journal

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

Council Member King rendered the invocation and Council Member Bynum-Grace led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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

4a. Proclamation Recognizing Manufacturing Appreciation Week – Mayor Faircloth

Mayor Faircloth presented to Nick Ausman and Megan Black of Interfor Corporation a proclamation recognizing Manufacturing Appreciation Week. Ms. Becky Lee of the Houston County Development Authority recognized Interfor Corporation for earning the title of 2019 Manufacturer of the Year.

4b. Introduction of new employees: Bria Moore and Elizabeth Batchelor:

Chief Lynn introduced two new police officer trainees, Ms. Bria Moore and Ms. Elizabeth Batchelor and provided a brief bio of each employee.

4c. Introduction of new Building Maintenance Manager, Renia Davis:

Mr. Smith introduced Ms. Davis, the new Building Maintenance Manager. Mayor and Council welcomed Ms. Davis to the City of Perry.

4d. Recognition of Lt. Dave Minter, Firefighter/Paramedic Hunter Flournoy, Firefighter Brock Snyder and Firefighter Caleb Woods.

Chief Parker recognized Lt. Dave Minter, Firefighter/Paramedic Hunter Flournoy, Firefighter Brock Snyder and Firefighter Caleb Woods for their support to the Talbot County Fire Department.

4e. Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers 5K Run & Walk event re-cap – Ms. H. Myers

Mayor Faircloth pulled this item from the agenda.

4f. Spring Clean Up Week:

Mr. Ennis presented a PowerPoint presentation of Spring Clean up Week.

5. Citizens with Input.

Ms. Darlene McLendon, Perry Area Chamber of Commerce

- April 18, Walmart Online Grocery Grand Opening
- April 18, Business of the Month – AppleCare
- April 18, Book signing reception for Larry Walker
- Dogwood Festival was a success

Mr. Bob Cunningham, Houston Springs

- Northwest corner of Ball and Commerce Street, the pedestrian crosswalk pole is broken.

Henry Dawkins, 818 Glenwood Avenue

- Speeding on Glenwood Avenue
- Double lines need to be restriped

Mallory Poitevint, 828 Glenwood Avenue

- Glenwood Avenue is used as a cut through
- Concerns relative to speeding and volume of traffic

Robbin Jackson

- Congratulated the fire and police department relative to incident that occurred April 11 on James Street. Mr. Jackson asked Council to consider an alternative

route for entering and departing James Street. Council Member Jackson advised the School Board has no intention of getting rid of the property.

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

- 6a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the April 1, 2019 work session meeting, April 2, 2019 pre council meeting and April 2, 2019 council meeting.

Mayor Pro Tempore Walker motioned to accept the minutes as submitted; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

7. Old Business:

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

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance for the rezoning of property from RAG, Residential-Agricultural District (county) to R-Ag, Residential-Agricultural District (city). The property is located at 1824 Houston Lake Road, Tax Map No. 000560 062000; and 1904 Hwy 127, Tax Map No. 000560 048000 - Mr. B. Wood.

Adopted Ordinance 2019-05 rezoning property from RAG, Residential-Agricultural District (county) to R-Ag, Residential-Agricultural District (city). The property is located at 1824 Houston Lake Road, Tax Map No. 000560 062000; and 1904 Hwy 127, Tax Map No. 000560 048000. Council Member Hunt motioned to adopt the ordinance with as submitted; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance No. 2019-05 has been entered into the City's official book of record*).

2. **Second Reading** of an ordinance for the annexation of property from RAG, Residential-Agricultural District (county) to R-Ag, Residential-Agricultural District (city). The property is located at 1824 Houston Lake Road, Tax Map No. 000560 062000; and 1904 Hwy 127, Tax Map No. 000560 048000 - Mr. B. Wood.

Adopted Ordinance 2019-06 annexing property from RAG, Residential-Agricultural District (county) to R-Ag, Residential-Agricultural District (city). The property is located at 1824 Houston Lake Road, Tax Map No. 000560 062000; and 1904 Hwy 127, Tax Map No. 000560 048000. Council Member King motioned to adopt the ordinance; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tempore stated a stipulation should be included in the motion that water and sewer will be provided by City of Perry. Council Member King amended his motion to include the stipulation water and sewer will be provided by the City of Perry as outlined in the service agreement with the County; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance No. 2019-06 has been entered into the City's official book of record*).

8. Any Other Old Business:

- 8a. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. - none
- 8b. Council Members - none
- 8c. City Manager Lee Gilmour - none
- 8d. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith - none
- 8e. City Attorney Brooke Newby - none

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

9a. Matters referred from April 16, 2019 pre council meeting. None

9b. Ordinances for First Reading(s) and Introduction:

- 1. **First Reading** of an ordinance to control shareable dockless mobility devices a/k/a e-scooters – Mr. B. Wood. *(No action required by Council)*

9c. Award of Bid(s):

- 1. Bid No. 2019-23 Terrazzo Floor Restoration – Mr. M. Worthington

Mr. Worthington presented for Council's consideration an award of bid for terrazzo floor restoration in the police department on the first floor. Of the four responders, staff recommended the low bidder, Diama-Shield LLC for \$27,900.00. Council Member King moved to award the bid to Diama Shield LLC in the amount of \$27,900.00; Mayor Pro Tempore Walker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

9d. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

- 1. Resolution recognizing Georgia Cities Week – Ms. E. Palmer.

Adopted Resolution No. 2019-20 recognizing Georgia Cities Week.

Ms. Palmer presented for Council's consideration a resolution recognizing Georgia Cities Week that is sponsored by the Georgia Municipal Association. Georgia Cities Week is a statewide event that gives an opportunity to showcase and celebrate cities and services they provide. Council Member Hunt motioned to adopt the resolution as submitted; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution 2019-20 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*

9e. Consider request to construct speed bumps on Glenwood Avenue: Mr. Smith reported the City will research and come up some viable options to bring back before Council. The police will monitor speeding issue.

9f. Approve consent decree between the City of Perry and the Georgia Public Service Commission.

Administration presented for Council's consideration a consent decree between the City of Perry and the Georgia Public Service Commission. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker motioned to approve the consent decree between the City of Perry and the Georgia Public Service Commission as submitted; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

9g. Presentation of suggestions to accommodate children during municipal court.

Ms. Arrington advised parents are bringing their children to municipal court and she has been thinking of ways to entertain the children while their parents are waiting. Ms. Arrington shared with Council a sample coloring book that she will begin handing out to children who attend municipal court. Also, Ms. Arrington provided a PowerPoint presentation of additional options for consideration.

9h. Special Events Application(s): Ms. A. Turpin

1. The City of Perry is hosting a May Day Festival in partnership with the Perry Arts Commission on May 18, 2019 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in Downtown Historic Perry.

Street closure(s) requested:

- Washington, Carroll and Ball Street

Approval of special event alcohol permit license application.

Council Member Jackson motioned to approve the Special Events and Special Event Alcohol Permit License applications and street closures relative to the May Day Festival; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. Amendment to the City of Perry Food Truck Friday event series April 5, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9 and September 13 from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Request to include Jernigan Street (*between Commerce and Main Street*) to previously approved road closures.

Mayor Pro Tempore Walker motioned to approve the amended Special Events License application and road closure for Food Truck Fridays; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10. Council Members Items:

Council has no reports.

Mr. Gilmour and Ms. Newby had no reports.

Mr. Smith reminded everyone of the Arbor Day Tree giveaway on April 26th.

11. Department Heads/Staff Items.

Ms. Warren, Ms. King, Mr. Worthington, Ms. Hardin and Chief Lynn had no reports.

Mr. Wood reminded everyone of the Spring Community Cleanup by the Housing Team on May 4, at 8 am.

Chief Parker announced the Uncoupling Ceremony at Davis Farms on April 23, at 9:30 am.

Ms. Turpin announced the Special Needs Easter Egg Hunt on April 20 at 8 am and Yoga in the Park on April 27 at 9 am.

Ms. Palmer reminded everyone of the Touch a Truck event on April 25 at Rozar Park.

12. General Public Items:

Mr. Robbin Jackson announced Adam Lodge and the Eastern Stars will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on April 20 at Creekwood Park.

Mr. Henry Dawkins inquired about Welcome to the City of Perry signage. Mr. Smith stated the City is in the process of installing signs.

13. Mayor Items:

- May 6, work session
- May 7, pre council and council
- April 23, Walk with Mayor and Council

Mayor Faircloth entertained a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of personnel.

14. Executive Session entered at 7:02 p.m.: Council Member Jackson moved to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into executive session for the purpose of personnel. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

15. Executive Session adjourned 7:18 p.m.; Council regular meeting reconvened. Council adjourned the executive session held April 16, 2019 and reconvened into the council regular meeting.

16. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-21 stating purpose of executive session held April 16, 2019 was to discuss personnel. Council Member King moved to adopt a resolution stating the purpose of the Executive Session held on April 16, 2019 was to discuss personnel. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution 2019-21 has been entered in the City's official book of record).*

17. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the reconvened meeting held April 16, 2019 Council Mayor Pro Tempore Walker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.