

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
April 16, 2019
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the pre council meeting held April 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: Council Member Robert Jones

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

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, and Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager

Guests: None

Media: Jada Dukes – Houston Home Journal

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

3a. Discussion of April 16, 2019 council meeting agenda.

7a (1) & (2) **Second Reading** of an ordinance for the rezoning and 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. Wood reviewed the application and reported staff and the Planning Commission recommended approval. Administration recommended to Council to approve the annexation with the City providing sanitation and water services at the subject properties not the County.

9b. **First Reading** of an ordinance to control shareable dockless mobility devices a/k/a e-scooters. Mr. Wood advised Council e-scooters are bikes/scooters users can rent, ride it to their destination, and leave it there.

Mr. Wood explained there have been issues from e-scooters being left on sidewalks, left in areas that become safety hazards for pedestrians, and used on streets without knowing what the rules of the road are, and without safety equipment. A number of cities have banned e-scooters or banned with some provisions to create some standards. The proposal is to ban them, but there is provision if someone wants to come in and propose it here, the City will work with them to establish some regulations and tests before they become finalized.

Administration recommended adding docked scooters to be included in the ordinance.

9c (1). Bid No. 2019-23 – Terrazzo Floor Restoration. Mr. Worthington recommended awarding Bid No. 2019-23 to Diama-Shield LLC in the amount of \$27,900.00.

9d (1). Resolution recognizing Georgia Cities Week. Ms. Palmer advised this is 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. The City will have a couple of activities going on throughout the week.

9e. Consider request to construct speed bumps on Glenwood Avenue.

Mr. Smith advised he was approached by a group of citizens who live on Glenwood Avenue relative to speed and volume of traffic. Council discussed alternative options. It was the consensus of Council to table this item until the next meeting with the caveat of police action.

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

9g. Presentation of suggestions to accommodate children during municipal court. Administration reported Ms. Arrington noticed a growing number of children coming into municipal court. Ms. Arrington will discuss some of the things she has initiated to address the concern, i.e. a coloring book and some other possible suggestions.

9h (1). Special Events Application – May Day Festival on May 18, 2019 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in Downtown Historic Perry. Ms. Turpin discussed the particulars of May Day Festival, including road closures.

9h (2). Special Events Application – 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. Ms. Turpin requested permission to expand the footprint to grow the event to accommodate patrons and discussed road closures.

3b. Recyclable cans locations: Administration advised Council there are two (2) recyclable cans locations; one location is city hall breakroom. Administration

stated there was an understanding the city hall location was serviced and handle by the fire department for the auxiliary group to make income. Chief Parker advised this was not handled by the fire department. Administration recommended the recyclable cans become a part of the program used by FOPAS. Administration requested relocating the FOPAS recycling trailer over at the gravel lot next to the Animal Control facility outside of the fenced area on Ball Street. Council concurred to move forward with Administration's recommendation.

3c. Consider position relative to Airbnb: Mr. Wood discussed the requirements relative to Airbnb. Administration recommended to Council to handle from a land use enforcement side and property owner pay accommodation excise tax. Council concurred to move forward with Administration's recommendation.

3d. Merchandise sales of City promotional items: Ms. Palmer advised she has had a lot of interest from people wanting to buy the Perry brand items. Ms. Palmer asked Council if they would be agreeable to the selling City promotional items. It was the consensus of Council to move forward.

4. Council Member Items:

Council Member Bynum-Grace asked for a status update on the playground equipment for Rozar Park, Creekwood Park and splash pad. Mr. Worthington stated he spoke to the representative and the equipment is slated to be installed in June; splash pad bids will be opened tomorrow. Also, the volume and traffic on W.F. Ragin Drive has increased, inquired if something can be done about traffic.

Mayor Pro Tempore Walker, Council Members Jackson, King, and Hunt had no reports.

Mr. Gilmour, Mr. Smith, and Ms. Newby had no reports.

5. Department Head/Staff Items:

Ms. King, Mr. Worthington, and Mr. Wood had no reports.

Ms. Hardin reminded everyone of the Mix and Mingle on April 18, 5-7 pm at Houston Lake Country Club.

Chief Parker invited everyone to Davis Farm Uncoupling Ceremony on April 23 at 9:30 am.

Ms. Turpin – April 20, Special Needs Egg Hunt
- April 27, Yoga in the Park

Chief Lynn announced the police department received a second temporary building.

Ms. Palmer invited everyone to "Touch a Truck" on April 25, 3-5 pm at Rozar Park.

6. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held April 16, 2019 Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 p.m.; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.