

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
September 17, 2019
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held September 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Officials Absent: None

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Assistant City Manager Robert Smith, City Attorney Brooke Newby, and Recording Clerk Regan Scott

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Mitchell Worthington – Assistant Finance Director, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Ashley Hardin – Director of Economic Development, Anya Turpin – Special Events Coordinator, Chief Lee Parker – Perry Fire and Emergency Services Department, Sedrick Swan – Director of Leisure Services, and Brenda King – Director of Finance.

Guest(s): Gary Moulliet, Bob Cunningham, Scott Cox, Darlene McLendon, Doug Nation, and Sherry Kurtz.

Media: Jada Dukes - Houston Home Journal

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King

Council Member Robert Jones rendered the invocation and Council Member Riley Hunt led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Presentation(s) / Recognition(s): Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King

4a. Recognition of Lt. Gerald Michel for 10 years of Service. Chief Parker thanked Lt. Michel for ten years of service with Perry Fire Department. Lt Michel's wife, Alia, presented him with a commemorative pin. Mayor Pro Tempore thanked the Michels and their children, D'andre, Logan, and Mila on behalf of the City for their sacrifice.

5. Community Partners Update(s):

None

6. Citizens with Input:

None

7. PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:03 p.m.: Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King called to order a public hearing at 6:03 p.m. to provide any interested parties with an opportunity to express their views and concerns in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-36-22.

- 8a. REZN-71-2019. Applicant, The City of Perry, requests a text amendment addressing Brewpubs, Breweries, Distilleries, Truck Stops, and Conditional Uses.

Staff Report: Mr. Wood reviewed the application and stated that the text amendment would include four new definitions aligned with the City's recent update of the alcohol ordinance. Staff recommended approval of the amendment.

Public Input: Mayor Pro Tempore King called for any public input for or against the amendment.

For: None

Against: None

Public Hearing Closed at 6:07 p.m. Mayor Pro Tempore King closed the hearing at 6:07 p.m.

8. Review of Minutes: Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King

- 8a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the September 3, 2019 pre council meeting and September 3, 2019 council meeting.

Council Member Jones motioned to accept the minutes as submitted;
Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

9. Old Business: Mayor Pro Tempore

- 9a. Ordinances for Second Reading(s) and Adoption:

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance relative to the rezoning of property from RAG, Residential-Agricultural District (county) to R-1, Single-family Residential District (city). The property is located at 333 Langston Road, Tax Map No. 000550 006000. – Mr. B. Wood

Adopted Ordinance No. 2019-15 rezoning of property from RAG, Residential-Agricultural District (county) to R-1, Single-family Residential District (city). Council Member Jackson moved to adopt the ordinance; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. **(Ordinance No. 2019-15 has been entered into the**

City's official book of record.)

2. **Second Reading** of an ordinance relative to the annexation of property from RAG, Residential-Agricultural District (county) to R-1, Single-family Residential District (city). The property is located at 333 Langston Road, Tax Map No. 000550 006000. – Mr. B. Wood

Adopted Ordinance No. 2019-16 annexation of property from RAG, Residential-Agricultural District (county) to R-1, Single-family Residential District (city). Council Member Hunt moved to adopt the ordinance; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. ***(Ordinance No. 2019-16 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)***

- 9b. Authorize an independent agreement for election machine and monitoring. Mr. Gilmour advised that it is staff's recommendation to adopt the agreement as this is in line with requirements of state law and the Board of Elections. Council Member Jackson motioned to authorize the agreement; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

10. Any Other Old Business: Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King

- 10a. Mayor Pro Tempore – none
- 10b. Council Members – none
- 10c. City Manager Lee Gilmour – none
- 10d. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith – none
- 10e. City Attorney Brooke Newby – none

11. New Business: Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King

11a. Matters referred from September 16, 2019 work session and September 17, 2019 pre council meeting.

1. Approval of the amendment to ESG Operations, Inc. contract – Mr. L. Gilmour

Mr. Gilmour advised staff recommends an amendment to the ESG Operations, Inc. contract to include an additional meter reader to accommodate the City's recent growth. Funding for the amendment would come from the Water and Sewer Fund. Council Member Hunt motioned at approve the amendment to the contract; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

11b. Ordinance(s) for First Reading(s) and Introduction:

1. **First Reading** of a text amendment addressing Brewpubs, Breweries, Distilleries, Truck Stops, and Conditional Uses – Mr. B. Wood *(No action required by Council)*

2. Bid No. 2020-07 City-Wide HVAC Maintenance – Mr. M. Worthington

Mr. Worthington presented for Council’s consideration an award of bid for city-wide HVAC maintenance. Of the vendors contacted, two returned responsive bids. Staff recommended awarding the bid to Truman’s Air Conditioning and Heating for \$14,371.00. Council Member Hunt motioned to award the bid to Truman’s Air Conditioning and Heating in the amount of \$14,371.00; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11e. Approval of contract for Grant Specialists of Georgia to administer the CDBG grant - Mr. B. Wood.

Mr. Wood advised that this agreement will allow the City to contract services of Grant Specialists of Georgia for administration of the CDBG grant. Council Member Hunt moved to approve the contract as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11f. Approval of professional services agreement between the City of Perry and GWES, LLC relative to Creekwood CDBG Storm Drainage Improvements – Mr. B. Wood.

Mr. Wood advised that this agreement will allow the City contract the services of GWES, LLC for CDBG storm drainage improvements in the Creekwood area. Council Member Jones moved to approve the agreement as submitted; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11g. Approve agreement between the City of Perry and the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Perry for natural gas incentive program – Mr. L. Gilmour.

Mr. Gilmour stated that this agreement will allow the City to incentivize the use of natural gas appliances in restaurants. Council Member Hunt moved to approve the agreement as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11h. Approve sale of surplus land – Mr. L. Gilmour.

Mr. Gilmour advised that this agreement will allow the City to accept the bid of \$9,275.00 for sale of surplus land. Council Member Hunt moved to approve the agreement as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11i. Special Events Application(s): Ms. A. Turpin

1. The Perry Main Street Program and Promotions Committee is hosting the Sweets & Treats on Downtown Streets on Thursday, October 31, 2019 from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Council Member Jackson motioned to approve the special events application as submitted; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

12. Council Member Items. None

13. Department Heads/Staff Items:

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

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

Chief Parker reported that Perry Fire Department has been awarded approximately \$180,000 in matching grant funds for self-contained breathing apparatuses.

Ms. Hardin announced that due to the success of Yoga in the Park events, Homegrown Yoga has leased space at the Perry Arts Center and will begin holding yoga classes in October. Ms. Hardin also announced the opening of a new downtown boutique, Massey Gordon and informed all that GWES would be expanding with a \$300,000.00 capital investment in downtown on the 700 block of Carroll Street. This would create 11 jobs. GWES is anticipated to open January 2, 2020.

Mr. Wood informed Council that a Neighborhood Cleanup is planned for November 9, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Creekwood area and that volunteers are needed for this event. Mr. Wood also stated that as of last week, issuance of new residential permits has surpassed the prior record year which was 2017 with 350 permits.

14. General Public Items: None

15. Mayor Pro Tempore Items: None

16. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the regular meeting held September 17, 2019, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 p.m; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.