

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
June 15, 2021
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the pre council meeting held June 15, 2021 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: none

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

Departmental Staffing: Brenda King - Director of Administration, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Mitchell Worthington – Finance Director, Chief Lee Parker - Fire and Emergency Services Department, Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Sedrick Swan – Director of Leisure Services, Ansley Fitzner – Public Works Superintendent, Anya Turpin – Special Events Administrator, Tabitha Clark – Communicator Administrator, and Chad McMurrian – Engineering Services Manager.

Media: Brianna Sheffield – Houston Home Journal and Nick Gibson – WGXA News

Guest(s): Rachana Patel

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor Randall Walker

3a. Discussion of June 15, 2021 council meeting agenda.

4a. Introduction of new firefighter Corey Gaston. Chief Parker will introduce firefighter Corey Gaston to Mayor and Council.

4b. Life Save Award for June 2 SOHO Inn Fire – PFES “B” Shift. Chief Parker will recognize members of PFES “B” Shift who worked the June 2, 2021 SOHO Inn fire.

4c (1). The City of Perry’s 2022 Juneteenth Freedom Day Festival. Ms. Turpin stated she will present for Council’s consideration “*Lest We Forget Traveling Slavery Museum Exhibit*” for the City’s 2022 Juneteenth Freedom Day Festival.

The cost of the Freedom exhibit is \$3,000 for a two-day program, plus travel, lodging and shipping. Administration advised funding is available in the budget.

8a. TEXT-146-2021. Applicant, The City of Perry, request modifications to Land Management Ordinance Sections 2-2.1, 2-2.2, 2-3.1, 2-3.2, 2-3.3, 2-3.5, and 2-3.7 to remove duplicative language, to clarify the requirements for various zoning applications, and to clarify the procedures for various zoning applications, including the authority of the Planning Commission and City Council. The specific zoning applications being modified are those for: Official zoning map amendments; Annexation and zoning of land; De-annexation of land; Amendments to the text of the ordinance; Planned unit developments; Special exceptions; and Variances and Appeals of administrative decisions. Mr. Wood reviewed the application and discussed Mr. Jason Kliethermes concerns (attached). The Planning Commission recommends approval of the request.

10a (1). Second Reading of an ordinance for the rezoning of property from C-2, General Commercial to R-3, Multi-Family Residential District. The property is located at 711 Joe Louis Drive; Tax Map No. 0P0150 025000. Mr. Wood stated the applicant has some questions and asked/requested if the second reading can be postponed until the July 6, 2021 meeting.

10a (2). Second Reading of an ordinance adopting FY 2022 Operating Budget for the City of Perry. Administration reviewed the adjustments made to the proposed FY 2022 budget ordinance.

10a (3). Second Reading of an ordinance to implement a Hotel-Motel Tax of 8%. Ms. Newby reference HB613 and states this ordinance follows the passing of that Bill.

10b. Council approval of Terms and Conditions and Assurances regarding the American Rescue Plan Act Funding. Ms. King stated the Terms and Conditions, and Assurances are required by the Department of Treasury to be signed by the City to start the application process for the first round of the American Rescue Plan Act Funding,

12a (1). Resolution to establish a wastewater service provision policy. Administration stated Council's recommendation at its June 14, 2021 work session was to proceed and this is the resolution adopting the wastewater service provision policy and recommends adoption.

12a (2). Resolution establishing a moratorium on the permitting of the conservation residential land use district. Administration recommends establishing a 90-day moratorium on the permitting on conservation subdivisions.

12c (1). Resolution to amend the City of Perry Position Classification Plan. Administration states this is a resolution to adjust the Perry Position Classification Plan pay ranges for classified positions based on Georgia

Department Community of Affairs survey of cities we are in comparison with, plus makes adjustments relative to local market conditions. Administration recommends adoption of the resolution.

12d (1). Bid No. 2021-34 – Bear Branch Sewer Expansion Phase 1B.

Mr. Worthington advised his office received seven responsive bids. Staff recommends awarding the bid for Bear Branch Sewer Expansion Phase 1B to low bidder Pyles Plumbing & Utility Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$1,132,988.25.

12d (2). Bid No. 2021-37 – Andrew Heights Park. Mr. Worthington advised his office received three responsive bids. Staff recommends awarding the bid for Andrew Heights Park playground equipment to low bidder Bliss Products and Services, Inc. in the amount of \$21,401.80. Funding for this project comes through a donation of \$3,000 and SPLOST 2018.

12d (3). Sale of surplus land adjacent to Pine Needle Park. Mr. Worthington stated Council at its April 6, 2021 meeting declared this property surplus. Mr. Worthington advised his office received one bid from a neighboring property owner in the amount of \$5,305.00. Staff recommends awarding this bid to the neighboring property owner in the amount of \$5,305.00.

12e. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement between Middle Georgia Regional Commission and City of Perry relative to sign inventory. Administration stated the purpose of this agreement is to update our database relative to city signs and to provide a schedule to keep the signs updated according to federal signage requirements. Administration recommendation to adopt the agreement.

12f. City of Perry 2021 LMIG Project Request for Change Order #1.

Mr. McMurrian reviewed the 2021 LMIG project request for Change Order #1, an additional \$50,130.00 for a total of \$113,465.50. Funding for Change Order #1 will from the State LMIG money, but the City will have to pay the local match. Administration recommends approval of Change Order #1.

12g. Approval of TSPLOST Intergovernmental Agreement. Mr. Wood reviewed the TSPLOST Intergovernmental Agreement and recommended approval of the agreement subject to review by the city attorney.

13a. Approval of amendment no. 24 to the City's agreement with ESG

Operations, Inc. Ms. Newby stated this is an annual amendment to the City's agreement with ESG Operations, Inc. to provide for the annual contract amount price and amendment to the meter replacement program that specifies the city will purchase the meters directly which will be a cost saving to the city since the city does not pay sales tax.

4. Council Member Items:

Council had no reports.

Ms. Newby and Mr. Smith had no reports.

Mr. Gilmour

- The Houston Lake Drive sidewalk design had been completed and the engineer is preparing bid documents to go out.
- The timeline relative to the Beckham's property where Jeff Smith is storing vehicles has been provide to Council.

5. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held June 15, 2021 Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.