

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL  
February 15, 2022  
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held February 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official Absent: none

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

Departmental Staffing: Brenda King – Director of Administration, Mitchell Worthington – Finance Director, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Chief Lee Parker - Fire and Emergency Services Department, Chief Steve Lynn- Perry Police Department, Ansley Fitzner – Public Works Superintendent, Sedrick Swan – Director of Leisure Services, Holly Wharton – Community Planner, Ashly Hardin – Economic Development Administrator, and Tabitha Clark – Communications Administrator.

Media: William Oliver – Houston Home Journal

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Ms. Maggy Schuyler – Perry Chamber, and Joe Posey – Jim Worrall Foundation

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Council Member Jones rendered the invocation and Council Member Albritton led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Recognition(s) / Presentation(s): Mayor Randall Walker

4a. Special Events Application:

1. 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dogwood Festival. Ms. Schuyler presented to Mayor and Council the Perry Area Chamber of Commerce application for its 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dogwood Festival. Administration recommended the water disposal and trash/cleanup be handled as it was for Peaches to Beaches in which the city provides a dumpster, and the event sponsor makes arrangements on its own to do the collection through the events. Mayor Walker entertained a motion to approve the application for the 33<sup>rd</sup>

Annual Dogwood Festival of the Chamber of Commerce with the exception the city will not be providing continuous trash pickup as outlined by Administration. Council motioned to approve the application as outlined; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

5. Community Partner(s) Update(s):

5a. Worrall Foundation – Pine Needle Park Presentation – Mr. R. Smith.

Mr. Joe Posey and members of the Worrall Foundation presented the City of Perry a check in the amount of \$35,000 for playground equipment and additions to Pine Needle Park. The playground equipment will be all-inclusive. Mayor and Council thanked the members of the Worrall Foundation for their generous donation.

6. Citizens with Input. none

7. Review of Minutes: Mayor Randall Walker

7a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the February 1, 2022 pre council meeting and February 1, 2022 council meeting. *(Council Member Hunt was absent from the February 1, 2022 pre council meeting and Council Member Jones was absent from the February 1, 2022 pre council and council meetings.)*

Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. Council Member Albritton seconded the motioned and it carried with Council Member Hunt abstaining from the February 1, 2022 pre council meeting and Council Member Jones abstaining from the February 1, 2022 pre council and council meetings.

8. Old Business: Mayor Randall Walker

8a. Ordinance(s) for Second Reading(s) and Adoption:

1. **Second Reading** of a Charter Amendment for Reapportionment of Representatives Districts – Ms. B. Newby.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2022-07 to amend the Charter for the Reapportionment of Representatives Districts. Council Member Jones motioned to adopt the ordinance as submitted. Mayor Pro Tempore King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Ordinance No. 2022-07 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

2. **Second Reading** of an ordinance for the annexation of property to the City of Perry. The property is located at 2019 Hwy 41; Tax Map No. 000310 022000 – Mr. B. Wood.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2022-08 for the annexation of property to the City of Perry. The property is located at 2019 Hwy 41; Tax Map No. 000310 022000. Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to adopt the ordinance as submitted. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Ordinance No. 2022-08 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

3. **Second Reading** of an ordinance for the rezoning of property from R-1 (County) to C-2, General Commercial (City). The property is located at 2019 Hwy 41; Tax Map No. 000310 022000 – Mr. B. Wood.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2022-09 for the rezoning of property from R-1 (County) to C-2, General Commercial (City). The property is located at 2019 Hwy 41; Tax Map No. 000310 022000. Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to adopt the ordinance as submitted. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Ordinance No. 2022-09 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

9. Any Other Old Business:

- 9a. Mayor Randall Walker - none
- 9b. Council Members - none
- 9c. City Attorney Brooke Newby - none
- 9d. City Manager Lee Gilmour - none
- 9e. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith - none

10. New Business: Mayor Randall Walker

10a. Matters referred from February 14, 2022 work session and February 15, 2022 pre council meeting.

1. Resolution to approve the revised Military Leave Policy – Ms. B. Newby.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-08 approving the revised Military Leave Policy. Council Member Hunt motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2022-08 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

2. Resolution to adopt the Perry Sewer Master Plan for the South and East Perry Service Areas – Mr. L. Gilmour.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-09 for the Perry Sewer Master Plan for the South and East Perry Service Areas. Council Member Jones motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2022-09 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

10b. Award of Bid:

1. Bid No. 2022-20 Perry Branch Sewer Upgrades – Mr. M. Worthington

Mr. Worthington stated his office received three responsive bids. Staff recommends awarding the bid to low bidder Pyles Plumbing & Utility Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$2,977,940.00. Council Member Jones moved to award the bid to low bidder Pyles Plumbing & Utility Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$2,977,940.00; Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The funding source is Perry Public Facilities Authority and the American Rescue Plan.

10c. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

1. Resolution to approve the City of Perry Meeting Growth Demands Through Annexation – Mayor Walker.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-10 approving the City of Perry Meeting Growth Demands Through Annexation. Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2022-10 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

2. Resolution to amend the Service Delivery Strategy for the City of Perry – Ms. H. Wharton.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-11 to amend the Service Delivery Strategy for the City of Perry. Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2022-11 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

- 10d. Approval of MissionSquare Retirement Governmental Profit-Sharing Adoption Plan Agreement and Hardship Withdrawal Amendment – Ms. B. Newby.

Council member Albritton motioned to approve the MissionSquare Retirement Governmental Profit-Sharing Adoption Plan Agreement and Hardship Withdrawal Amendment as presented; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11. Council Members Items:

Council had no reports

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

12. Department Heads/Staff Items:

Mr. Swan reported on the start of the new soccer season.

13. General Public Items:

none

14. Mayor Items:

- February 28, Work session
- March 1, Pre council and council

Mayor Walker entertained a motion to go into executive session for real estate acquisition.

15. Executive Session entered at 6:29 p.m.: Council Member Jones moved to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into executive session for the purpose of real estate acquisition. Mayor Pro Tempore King seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.
16. Executive Session adjourned at 6:47 p.m.; Council regular meeting reconvened. Council adjourned the executive session held February 15, 2022 and reconvened into the regular meeting.
17. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-12 stated that the purpose of the executive session held on February 15, 2022, was to discuss real estate acquisition. Council Member Albritton moved to adopt a resolution stating the purpose of the executive session held on February 15, 2022, was to discuss real estate acquisition; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2022-12 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

In the open meeting –

Council Member Jones motioned to approve the purchase of 1502 and 1504 Houston Lake Road from Herman Kaigler for \$15,000 and \$12,000, respectively. Council Member Peterson second the motion and the vote was unanimously.

18. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular meeting held on February 15, 2022, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.