

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
May 17, 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 May 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official Absent: Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King

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 Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker - Fire and Emergency Services Department, Sedrick Swan – Director of Leisure Services, Ansley Fitzner – Public Works Superintendent, Holly Wharton – Community Planner, Alicia Hartley – Downtown Manager, Ashley Hardin- Economic Development Administrator, Amber Garrett – Communications Specialist, and Tabitha Clark – Communications Manager.

Media: William Oliver – Houston Home Journal

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Hazel Jackson and Robbin Jackson

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

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

4a. Introduction of Devin McCracken, PT Logistics Technician. Chief Lynn stated Mr. McCracken had a conflict this evening and will introduced at the next council meeting.

4b. Special Events Application:

1. Downtown Perry Bicycle Ride Across Georgia (BRAG) Welcome Concert
Ms. Hartley presented the special event application. Administration recommended Council approve an off-site alcohol license. Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to approve the special events application and off-site alcohol license; Council Member Albritton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Ms. Hartley provided an update on the wine tasting event, 500 tickets were sold and 463 actually checked in.

5. Citizens with Input.

- Matters not on the agenda

Ms. Hazel Jackson, Perry, GA, expressed her disappointed of the street closing of Houston Lake Drive.

Mr. Robbin Jackson, Perry, GA, inquired about the cost of Houston Lake Drive/Sunshine Avenue project. Mr. Gilmour stated the repair was approximately \$240,000.

6. Review of Minutes: Mayor Randall Walker

6a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the May 2, 2022 work session, May 3, 2022 pre council meeting, and May 3, 2022 council meeting. *(Council Member Jones was absent from the May 2, 2022 meeting; Mayor Pro Tempore King was absent from the May 2-3, 2022 meetings.)*

Council Member Peterson motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. Council Member Albritton seconded the motion and it carried with Council Member Jones abstaining from the May 2, 2022 meeting.

7. Old Business: Mayor Randall Walker

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

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance to amend Code Section 6-1.6 of the LMO by adding Residential Driveway Requirements – Mr. B. Wood.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2022-17 to amend Code Section 6-1.6 of the LMO by adding Residential Driveway Requirements. Council Member Jones motioned to adopt the ordinance as submitted; Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Ordinance 2022-17 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*

8. Any Other Old Business:

- 8a. Mayor Randall Walker – none
- 8b. Council Members – none
- 8c. City Attorney Brooke Newby - none
- 8d. City Manager Lee Gilmour - none
- 8e. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith - none

9. Community Partner(s) Update(s): none

10. New Business: Mayor Randall Walker

10a. Matters referred from May 17, 2022 pre council meeting.

1. Selection of a voting delegate for 2022 GMA Conference. Mayor Walker stated this is an annual election and the recommendation is Mayor Walker as the voting delegate and Council Member Jones as the alternate. Council Member Jones moved to approve as submitted; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion the motion and it carried unanimously.
2. Authorize the purchase of a service truck for water utility system. Mr. Worthington stated he is asking for permission to purchase a service truck for water utility system. Council Member Jones motioned to authorize the purchase of a service truck for water utility system from Nextran in the amount of \$72,560.60. The funding source is Water & Sewerage Fund via GMA Lease. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
3. Authorize temporary position for Creekwood Park Splash Pad. Administration stated the need to have an attendant to assist the public at Creekwood Park Splash Pad. Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to approve the temporary position at Creekwood Park Splash Pad as presented; Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10b. Ordinance(s) for First Reading(s) and Introduction:

1. **First Reading** of an amended ordinance to amend Code Section 2-2.2 of the LMO by revising the Public Notice Requirements – Mr. B. Wood. *(No action required by Council)*

10c. Award of Bid(s):

1. Bid No. 2022-25 Demolition Services – Mr. M. Worthington

Mr. Worthington presented for Council’s consideration an award of bid for demolitions services at 1514 Houston Lake Road. Mr. Worthington stated his office received one responsive bid. Staff recommends awarding the bid to Southern Equipment LLC in the amount of \$9,000 and the funding source is 2018 SPLOST. Council Member Albritton motioned to award the to Southern Equipment in the amount of \$9,000 and the funding source is 2018 SPLOST; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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

1. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver a Lease Supplement and other related documents for FY 2022 leased property - Ms. B. King.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-30 authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver a Lease Supplement and other related documents for FY 2022 leased property. Council Member Albritton motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (Resolution No. 2022-30 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)

11. Other Business – Supplemental Agenda Item(s):

- 11a. Downtown Perry South Gateway Project Grant Request – Ms. H. Wharton. Council Member Jones motioned to move forward with the grant application; Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

12. Council Members Items:

Council Members Bynum-Grace and Jones attended the Bike Rodeo and thoroughly enjoyed it.

Council Member Albritton – Kudos to Ms. Turpin for “Art in the Park” and to Ms. Fitzner, the park looked great.

Council Member Peterson recognized Ms. Clark for being named President for the National Association of Government Communicators.

13. Department Heads/Staff Items:

Mr. Wood announced the city will be receiving \$400,000 CHIP Grant this fall.

Chief Lynn reported his office received a \$10,000 check from Flint Energies.

Mr. Swan – Houston County Bike Rodeo had 200 attendees
- Scoreboards have been connected

14. General Public Items:

Ms. Hazel Jackson reminded everyone to register the kids for vacation reading club on May 23 at the Perry Public Library.

15. Mayor Items:

- May 23, Special Called Work Session
- June 6, Work Session
- June 7, Pre council and Council

16. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular meeting held on May 17, 2022, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.; Council Member Albritton seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.