Perry
TECHNOLOGY &
ENTREPRENEURSHIP
SHAPING GROWTH, INSPIRING CHANGE

Technology & Entrepreneurship Advisory Board
Thursday, December 18, 2025, at 5:30 pm
Perry City Hall, 808 Carroll Street
Economic Development Conference Room

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Citizens with Input
4. Guests and Speakers
5. New Business
    a. Approve November 20, 2025 Minutes
    b. Approve November 2025 Financials
    c. 2026 Startup Summit Program Planning
    d. 2026 Speaker Series Program Planning
6. Staff Items
    a. Monthly Updates
7. Member Items
8. Adjourn

All meetings of the Technology & Entrepreneurship Advisory Board are open to the public.

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Technology & Entrepreneurship Advisory Board
Minutes – November 20, 2025

1. Call to Order: Chairman Richardson called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

2. Roll Call: Chairman Richardson; Directors Rhoades, Pearson, Rodriguez, Boman, and Kennedy were present. Director Ritchie via teleconference.

   Staff: Holly Wharton – Economic Development Director, Trey Hildebrand – IT Manager, and Joni Ary – Recording Clerk.

3. Citizens with Input – None.

4. Guests and Speakers.- None.

5. New Business

   a. Approve October 16, 2025, Minutes

Director Rhoades motioned to approve as submitted; Director Pearson seconded; all in favor, and it was unanimously approved.

   b. Approve October 2025 Financials

Director Rhoades motioned to approve as submitted; Director Bowman seconded; all in favor, and it was unanimously approved.

   c. November Speaker Series Event Review – Grub & Grow

Chairman Richardson expressed his appreciation for the event and thought it was very engaging and helpful for everyone who attended. Chairman Richardson thanked the Board members who attended and is super excited about the upcoming events for this Board. The event provided resources to veterans and their families.

   d. Technology-Based Incentive Policy Discussion

Ms. Wharton reviewed the proposed Technology-Focused Incentive program. Ms. Wharton stated that the City Attorney is currently reviewing the policy and would recommend that, if the Board concurs, the policy move forward to City Council. Chairman Richardson motioned to approve proceeding with the policy for City Council review. Director Rhoades seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

   e. 2026 Program Planning

Ms. Wharton stated that she will have more details regarding the Start-up Summit at the next meeting. Ms. Wharton proposed holding the Kid Entrepreneurship Lemonade stand event in conjunction with the City's Summer Breeze Block party on May 16, 2026. All members concurred with the proposal to have the event in conjunction with the City event. Ms. Wharton asked the Board to consider suggestions for topics for the Speaker Series.

6. Staff Items
    a. Monthly Updates:
    Ms. Wharton stated that the City of Perry completed the election cycle, that Mayor Walker was re-elected, and that the City appointed Mr. Robert Smith as City Manager.
    Food Truck Friday will be held tomorrow in Downtown Perry from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm with an "Ugly Christmas Sweater" theme.

7. Member Items –
    Director Rhoades stated that the Museum of Aviation will host a Marathon, half-marathon, para-athletes, and a 5K on January 31, 2026, from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm.

    Director Pearson reviewed his PowerPoint presentation, "Capital Strategy," with the Board. The presentation took a person through different scenarios on how a business begins and how different funding and investments can affect it. Director Pearson shared his own personal experience starting a business. The Board thanked Director Pearson for his presentation and asked that everyone receive a copy.

8. Adjournment – there being no further business to come before the Board, Director Rhoades motioned to adjourn the meeting; Director Rodriguez seconded; all in favor, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm.

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Technology and Entrepreneurship Advisory Board (TEAB) **NOV 2025**

100-13.4221 Cost Center 75242
Contact Holly Wharton

Revenue		Month	FY26 YTD	Cumulative
100-37.1205	Income	0.00	0.00	12,792.26
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
Expense				
75242.52.1300		0.00	0.00	407.80
75242.53.1100		0.00	0.00	1,851.87
75242.52.3930		900.00	1,133.82	4,302.60
Balance		(900.00)	(1,133.82)	6,229.99
Less Previous Balance:				7,129.99
Reserve Adjustment				(900.00)

75242- Reserve/Donation
75102-Monthly Appropriations Allowance

75242-Used for programs

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		Original Total Budget	Current Total Budget	Period Activity	Fiscal Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining
100-00000.349904	CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS	54,000.00	54,000.00	4,991.00	19,446.00	-34,554.00	63.99 %
100-00000.349910	CURB CUT/DRIVEWAY PIPE	0.00	0.00	0.00	69.00	69.00	0.00 %
	CostCenter: 00000 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL Total:	**7,976,000.00**	**7,976,000.00**	**641,835.23**	**3,280,669.55**	**-4,695,330.45**	**58.87%**
	RevCategory: 34 - Charges for Services Total:	**7,976,000.00**	**7,976,000.00**	**641,835.23**	**3,280,669.55**	**-4,695,330.45**	**58.87%**
RevCategory: 35 - Fines and Forfeitures							
CostCenter: 00000 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL							
100-00000.351170	COURT AND PARKING FINES	497,500.00	497,500.00	58,307.14	207,904.46	-289,595.54	58.21 %
100-00000.351171	COUNTY JAIL SURCHARGE	41,300.00	41,300.00	0.00	11,798.01	-29,501.99	71.43 %
	CostCenter: 00000 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL Total:	**538,800.00**	**538,800.00**	**58,307.14**	**219,702.47**	**-319,097.53**	**59.22%**
	RevCategory: 35 - Fines and Forfeitures Total:	**538,800.00**	**538,800.00**	**58,307.14**	**219,702.47**	**-319,097.53**	**59.22%**
RevCategory: 36 - Investment Income							
CostCenter: 00000 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL							
100-00000.361000	INTEREST	150,000.00	150,000.00	0.00	48,230.79	-101,769.21	67.85 %
	CostCenter: 00000 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL Total:	**150,000.00**	**150,000.00**	**0.00**	**48,230.79**	**-101,769.21**	**67.85%**
	RevCategory: 36 - Investment Income Total:	**150,000.00**	**150,000.00**	**0.00**	**48,230.79**	**-101,769.21**	**67.85%**
RevCategory: 37 - Contributions and Donations							
CostCenter: 00000 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL							
100-00000.371001	RECREATION DEPT DONATIONS	0.00	0.00	1,273.00	1,373.00	1,373.00	0.00 %
100-00000.371005	SPECIAL EVENTS SPONSORSHIPS	0.00	0.00	0.00	-1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.00 %
100-00000.371007	NEW PERRY ANIMAL SHELTER BLD	0.00	0.00	30.00	150.00	150.00	0.00 %
100-00000.371024	MAIN STREET ADVISORY DONATIO	0.00	0.00	510.00	32,856.82	32,856.82	0.00 %
100-00000.371037	INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL DONAT	0.00	0.00	150.00	294.60	294.60	0.00 %
100-00000.371039	FARMERS MKT INCOME	2,500.00	2,500.00	560.00	2,825.00	325.00	113.00 %
100-00000.371202	INDEPENDENCE DAY SPONSORSHIP	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	0.00 %
	CostCenter: 00000 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL Total:	**2,500.00**	**2,500.00**	**2,523.00**	**44,499.42**	**41,999.42**	**1,679.98%**
	RevCategory: 37 - Contributions and Donations Total:	**2,500.00**	**2,500.00**	**2,523.00**	**44,499.42**	**41,999.42**	**1,679.98%**
RevCategory: 38 - Miscellaneous							
CostCenter: 00000 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL							
100-00000.381000	PERRY EVENTS CENTER RENTAL	73,400.00	73,400.00	470.00	8,958.00	-64,442.00	87.80 %
100-00000.381001	CELL ANTENNA RENTAL FEE	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	0.00	-40,000.00	100.00 %
100-00000.381011	HERITAGE OAKS RENTALS	0.00	0.00	325.00	1,238.00	1,238.00	0.00 %
100-00000.383000	REIMBURSE FOR DAMAGE PROP	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,824.63	2,824.63	0.00 %
100-00000.383002	RESTITUTION PAYMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.18	0.18	0.00 %
100-00000.389000	OTHER REVENUES	0.00	0.00	4,037.50	5,958.86	5,958.86	0.00 %
100-00000.389001	PD COPIES/REPORTS	0.00	0.00	190.20	977.35	977.35	0.00 %
100-00000.389004	TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	246.14	246.14	0.00 %
100-00000.389010	P-CARD REBATE	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	4,181.21	181.21	104.53 %
100-00000.389012	WEX TAX/BILL ADJUSTMENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	696.48	696.48	0.00 %
100-00000.389013	MGAG PERFORMANCE ADJUST	210,900.00	210,900.00	0.00	0.00	-210,900.00	100.00 %
100-00000.389022	SR CTR UTILITIES REVENUE	5,100.00	5,100.00	363.35	3,507.97	-1,592.03	31.22 %
100-00000.389028	SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD	29,300.00	29,300.00	4,390.84	10,248.51	-19,051.49	65.02 %
100-00000.389030	PACVB - OPERATING REIMB	430,000.00	430,000.00	87,193.68	202,199.68	-227,800.32	52.98 %
	CostCenter: 00000 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL Total:	**792,700.00**	**792,700.00**	**96,970.57**	**241,037.01**	**-551,662.99**	**69.59%**
	RevCategory: 38 - Miscellaneous Total:	**792,700.00**	**792,700.00**	**96,970.57**	**241,037.01**	**-551,662.99**	**69.59%**
RevCategory: 39 - Other Financing Sources							
CostCenter: 00000 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL							
100-00000.391110	TRANS-HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FND	0.00	0.00	52,368.62	137,667.75	137,667.75	0.00 %
100-00000.391112	TRANS IN STORMWATER/PPFA DS	235,000.00	235,000.00	0.00	130,289.19	-104,710.81	44.56 %
100-00000.391113	TRANSFER IN SPLOST - PPFA DS	0.00	0.00	0.00	34,682.23	34,682.23	0.00 %
100-00000.391119	TRANS IN FIRE - PPFA DEBT SER	199,100.00	199,100.00	0.00	0.00	-199,100.00	100.00 %
100-00000.391121	TRANS IN WATER/PPFA DEBT SER	857,900.00	857,900.00	0.00	684,895.95	-173,004.05	20.17 %
100-00000.391142	TRANS IN GAS/PPFA DEBT SER	91,600.00	91,600.00	0.00	102,474.30	10,874.30	111.87 %
100-00000.391150	TRANSFER IN SPLOST	86,600.00	86,600.00	0.00	0.00	-86,600.00	100.00 %
100-00000.392100	SALE OF ASSET	0.00	0.00	0.00	41,044.50	41,044.50	0.00 %

		Original Total Budget	Current Total Budget	Period Activity	Fiscal Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining
CostCenter: 75222 - INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL							
100-75222.521301	STAGE/LIGHT/AUDIO	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.00 %
100-75222.523300	ADVERTISING	0.00	0.00	950.00	950.00	-950.00	0.00 %
	CostCenter: 75222 - INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL Total:	**0.00**	**0.00**	**2,450.00**	**2,450.00**	**-2,450.00**	**0.00%**
CostCenter: 75228 - HOLIDAY PARADE							
100-75228.523850	CONTRACT LABOR	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	-200.00	0.00 %
	CostCenter: 75228 - HOLIDAY PARADE Total:	**0.00**	**0.00**	**200.00**	**200.00**	**-200.00**	**0.00%**
CostCenter: 75233 - LIGHT THE NIGHT							
100-75233.521301	STAGE/LIGHT/AUDIO	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,800.00	-1,800.00	0.00 %
100-75233.521312	ARTIST FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,855.50	-6,855.50	0.00 %
100-75233.522300	RENTALS	0.00	0.00	2,793.47	2,793.47	-2,793.47	0.00 %
100-75233.523850	CONTRACT LABOR	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,580.00	-3,580.00	0.00 %
	CostCenter: 75233 - LIGHT THE NIGHT Total:	**0.00**	**0.00**	**2,793.47**	**15,028.97**	**-15,028.97**	**0.00%**
CostCenter: 75235 - OPEN STREETS EVENT							
100-75235.523850	CONTRACT LABOR	3,100.00	3,100.00	0.00	0.00	3,100.00	100.00 %
	CostCenter: 75235 - OPEN STREETS EVENT Total:	**3,100.00**	**3,100.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**3,100.00**	**100.00%**
CostCenter: 75236 - FALL FILM FESTIVAL							
100-75236.521312	ARTIST FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	125.00	-125.00	0.00 %
100-75236.522300	RENTALS	0.00	0.00	2,399.99	10,308.46	-10,308.46	0.00 %
100-75236.523850	CONTRACT LABOR	0.00	0.00	4,059.00	12,222.39	-12,222.39	0.00 %
100-75236.531100	OPERATING SUPPLIES	0.00	0.00	55.00	267.70	-267.70	0.00 %
	CostCenter: 75236 - FALL FILM FESTIVAL Total:	**0.00**	**0.00**	**6,513.99**	**22,923.55**	**-22,923.55**	**0.00%**
CostCenter: 75241 - ROBINS REGIONAL COC							
100-75241.523600	DUES & FEES	1,200.00	1,200.00	905.00	2,185.00	-985.00	-82.08 %
	CostCenter: 75241 - ROBINS REGIONAL COC Total:	**1,200.00**	**1,200.00**	**905.00**	**2,185.00**	**-985.00**	**-82.08%**
CostCenter: 75242 - RESTRICTED - TECH & ENTREPRENEURSHIP ADV BRD							
100-75242.523930	MEETINGS	0.00	0.00	900.00	1,133.82	-1,133.82	0.00 %
	CostCenter: 75242 - RESTRICTED - TECH & ENTREPRENEURSHIP AD	**0.00**	**0.00**	**900.00**	**1,133.82**	**-1,133.82**	**0.00%**
CostCenter: 75243 - PERRY'S BOURBON STREET BASH							
100-75243.523850	CONTRACT LABOR	0.00	0.00	4,430.00	4,430.00	-4,430.00	0.00 %
	CostCenter: 75243 - PERRY'S BOURBON STREET BASH Total:	**0.00**	**0.00**	**4,430.00**	**4,430.00**	**-4,430.00**	**0.00%**
CostCenter: 75410 - PACVBA BOARD							
100-75410.521300	TECHNICAL SERVICES	7,000.00	7,000.00	1,108.71	9,206.31	-2,206.31	-31.52 %
100-75410.523110	LIABILITY INSURANCE	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,840.00	-840.00	-42.00 %
	CostCenter: 75410 - PACVBA BOARD Total:	**9,000.00**	**9,000.00**	**1,108.71**	**12,046.31**	**-3,046.31**	**-33.85%**
CostCenter: 75420 - ADMINISTRATION							
100-75420.511100	REGULAR EMPLOYEES	125,000.00	125,000.00	8,959.92	47,039.58	77,960.42	62.37 %
100-75420.512100	LIFE INSURANCE	0.00	0.00	42.70	213.50	-213.50	0.00 %
100-75420.512130	EMPLOYEE DENTAL INSURANCE	0.00	0.00	75.41	150.82	-150.82	0.00 %
100-75420.512140	VISION INSURANCE	0.00	0.00	12.21	24.42	-24.42	0.00 %
100-75420.512200	FICA	0.00	0.00	682.15	3,702.37	-3,702.37	0.00 %
100-75420.512401	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUT- ICMA	0.00	0.00	448.00	2,352.00	-2,352.00	0.00 %
100-75420.512906	AUTO ALLOWANCE	0.00	0.00	400.00	1,800.00	-1,800.00	0.00 %
100-75420.521200	PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,150.00	-2,150.00	0.00 %
100-75420.521300	TECHNICAL SERVICE	0.00	0.00	0.00	19.99	-19.99	0.00 %
100-75420.521304	WEBSITE MAINTENANCE	15,000.00	15,000.00	84.36	17,373.60	-2,373.60	-15.82 %
100-75420.521310	INFORMATION RESOURCES	0.00	0.00	111.56	309.70	-309.70	0.00 %
100-75420.521900	MISCELLANEOUS	7,000.00	7,000.00	73.00	372.07	6,627.93	94.68 %
100-75420.522300	RENTAL	2,000.00	2,000.00	266.10	977.40	1,022.60	51.13 %
100-75420.523210	POSTAGE & FREIGHT	500.00	500.00	26.60	213.90	286.10	57.22 %
100-75420.523222	TELEPHONE WIRELESS	2,000.00	2,000.00	26.26	235.48	1,764.52	88.23 %
100-75420.523500	TRAVEL	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	1,966.01	8,033.99	80.34 %
100-75420.523600	DUES & FEES	5,000.00	5,000.00	20.00	2,332.88	2,667.12	53.34 %
100-75420.523702	VOLUNTARY TRAINING	10,000.00	10,000.00	1,143.81	9,226.56	773.44	7.73 %
100-75420.523930	MEETINGS	2,000.00	2,000.00	30.00	1,405.92	594.08	29.70 %

Perry City of Perry, GA

Detail Report
Account Detail
Date Range: 11/01/2025 - 11/30/2025

Account	Name	Beginning Balance	Total Activity	Ending Balance
Expense				
100-75242.523930	MEETINGS	233.82	900.00	1,133.82

Post Date	Packet Number	Source Transaction	Pmt Number	Description	Vendor	Project Account	Amount	Running Balance
11/06/2025	APPKT01406	10/17/2025	211895	CATERING/VENUE RENTAL-TEAB 8/26	011684 - PERFECT PEAR CATERING LLC		900.00	1,133.82

Total Expense:	**Beginning Balance: 233.82**	**Total Activity: 900.00**	**Ending Balance: 1,133.82**
Grand Totals:	**Beginning Balance: 233.82**	**Total Activity: 900.00**	**Ending Balance: 1,133.82**

Date Range: 11/01/2025 - 11/30/2025

Account Summary

Account	Name		Beginning Balance	Total Activity	Ending Balance
Expense					
100-75242.523930	MEETINGS		233.82	900.00	1,133.82
		Total Expense:	**233.82**	**900.00**	**1,133.82**
		Grand Totals:	**233.82**	**900.00**	**1,133.82**

Date Range: 11/01/2025 - 11/30/2025

Fund Summary

Fund		Beginning Balance	Total Activity	Ending Balance
100 - GENERAL FUND		233.82	900.00	1,133.82
	Grand Total:	**233.82**	**900.00**	**1,133.82**