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Perry Youth Advisory Council

808 Carroll Street

November 21, 2024 | 5:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: Amber Howell called to order the Perry Youth Advisory Council held on November 21, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

Elected Officials Present: Councilmember Robert Jones

Youth Advisory Council Members Present: Tia Walker, Chloe Shelton, Madisyn Gonzalez, Rylee Arbogast, Sawan Patel, Davis Smith.

Youth Advisory Council Members Absent: Mary Blake Brannen

City Staff: Tabitha Clark – Communications Director, and Amber Howell – Communications Specialist

3. Guests/Speakers:

- a. Welcome – Council Member Jones

Council member Jones welcomed everyone in attendance and discussed the goals and purpose of the Perry Youth Advisory Council.

- b. Introductions – Youth Council Members

Each youth council member introduced themselves, where they attend school, what activities they were involved in, and what they liked most about Perry.

4. New Business.

- a. Discussion of binder contents:

Mrs. Howell discussed the binder contents given to each youth advisory council member. Council Member Jones discussed the city council page, Mrs. Clark discussed the department page, Council Member Jones discussed Roberts Rules of Order, and Mrs. Howell discussed the Stay Connected page.



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- b. Selection of Perry Youth Advisory Council Chairperson:

Mrs. Howell discussed the reasoning and duties of a Chairperson. Mrs. Clark suggested the council also vote on a Vice Chairperson. A motion was made by Council Member Shelton for Council Member Gonzalez to be chosen as the Chairperson. Council Member Arbogast seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. A motion was entertained to name Vice Chairperson Arbogast as Vice Chair. Chairman Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
  - c. Discussion of Perry Youth Advisory Council interests.

Council Member Shelton discussed growth, safety, installing a dog park, and wanted to keep the “old fashioned” Perry feel. Council Member Smith asked where a dog park would be located. Mrs. Clark discussed the current proposed location was Heritage Oaks Park. Vice Chairperson Arbogast indicated her support for a dog park. Council Member Patel discussed his father owned several hotels in Perry and surrounding communities. He was thankful that Perry felt much safer than other communities. He also asked about how the City funded the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter. Mrs. Clark discussed how the fairgrounds was state funded and was not part of the City operations.
  - d. Perry Youth Advisory Council photo headshots:

Mrs. Howell asked each member in attendance to take their headshots for the website and social media promotion.
5. Staff Items: Council Member Jones provided closing remarks thanks for their participation.
- a. The next Perry Youth Advisory Council meeting will be held on Thursday, December 12, 2024, beginning at 5 PM at Perry City Hall (808 Carroll Street).



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6. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before the Perry Youth Advisory Council in the November 21, 2024, meeting Chairperson Gonzalez made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m. Councilmember Arbogast seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.