

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
October 6, 2009
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro-Tempore Riley Hunt, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held October 6, 2009 at 6:05 p.m.

2. Roll.

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Pro-Tempore Riley Hunt – Presiding Officer. Council Members Charles Lewis, Joe Kusar, Phyllis Bynum-Grace, James Moore and Willie King.

Elected Officials Absent: Mayor James Worrall.

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour and City Attorney David Walker.

City Departmental Staff: Brenda King – Director of Administration, Ronnie Jones – Director of Public Works, Mike Beecham – Director of Community Development, George Potter – Director of Public Safety, Deputy Chief Joel Gray – Fire Department, Steve Howard – Building Official, Vickie Graham – Tax and License Department and Joni Ary - Recording Secretary.

Guests/Speakers: Mr. Morgan Law – Houston County Development Authority.

Press/Media: Ms. Charlotte Perkins – Houston Home Journal, Ms. Kristen Berryhill – ComSouth and Mr. Marlon Walker – Macon Telegraph.

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Council Member Willie King gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Citizens with Input.

Ms. Joanne Herndon – Gave Council a copy of the flag laws which states how the American flag can be displayed in accordance by the Governor and/or the President of the United States.

Ms. Peggy Davis – Spoke to Council about the flooding of her home during the September 21st rain storm Ms. Davis stated she can't live in her residence. Ms. Davis stated that the drainage problem has been a problem for a while and nothing has been done. Ms. Davis stated that four weeks prior to the September 21st storm water she requested to have the drainage checked. Ms. Davis asked Council for something to be done about the drainage problem in her neighborhood. Mayor Pro-Tempore Riley Hunt asked Mr. Ronnie Jones – Director of Public Works to look at the drainage problem in Ms. Davis neighborhood.

Mr. Penrose Wolfe – Asked Council if they knew of any open forums for the candidates. Mr. Jimmy Faircloth – Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau stated an open forum would be

held on October 19th at 6:00 p.m. at the Board of Education. Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace stated that there will also be an open forum on October 12th at Houston Springs.

Ms. Sara Bailey – Stated that the drainage problem that Ms. Peggy Davis talked to Council about has been going on for years.

Mr. Morgan Law – Houston County Development Authority – Gave an update to Council on the projects that are on going in the City of Perry. Mr. Law stated that within the last six months there has been an increase in projects in Houston County. Some of the current projects are the “Go Fish” project at the Georgia National Fairgrounds, the G-Ramp and the Warner Robins Air Force Base projects in Warner Robins. Mayor Pro-Tempore Riley Hunt asked about the cement plant project. Mr. Law stated that the project is still on going and moving forward.

5. Consent Agenda Items: Mayor Pro-Tempore Riley Hunt.

5a. Council Consideration – Minutes of September 15, 2009 work session and regular meeting. Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace motioned to approve. Council Member Willie King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

6. Old Business: Mayor Pro-Tempore Riley Hunt.

6a. Ordinances for Second Reading/Consideration of Adoption: City Manager Lee Gilmour.

1. **Tabled - Second Reading of an Ordinance of the revised PLDO Section 106-Signs.** *(Recommend to table for further option analysis and legal review).* City Manager Lee Gilmour gave the second reading of an Ordinance of the revised PLDO Section 106-Signs. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated that the recommendation is to table this item for further option analysis and legal review. Council Member Joe Kusar motioned to table the ordinance for further option analysis and legal review. Council Member Willie King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

6b. Alcohol License Second Reading/Consideration of Adoption: Presented by City Manager Lee Gilmour.

1. Council approved application for alcohol license for BEER/WINE/MIXED DRINKS consumed on premises for Jalisco Grill located at 273 Perry Parkway, Ste. A. (Paradise Shopping Center). City Manager Lee Gilmour gave the second reading of an application for alcohol license for Beer/Wine/Mixed Drinks consumed on premises for Jalisco Grill located at 273 Perry Parkway Ste. A. (Paradise Shopping Center). The license will be in the name Antonio Macias Leon. The applicant is present. City Manager Lee Gilmour advised Council that the license has gone through the review process and there are no issues; administration recommends the license be approved. Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace moved to approve the application request as submitted. Council Member Willie King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

6c. Adopted Resolution No. 2009-41 to amend the City of Perry purchasing policies to extend the local vendor response time. City Manager Lee Gilmour reported on City of Perry purchasing policies. Council Member Joe Kusar recommended to extend the local vendor response time. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated that the City policy gives a vendor 24 hours to do a local vendor match. Council Member Joe Kusar stated that the General Motors assistance program takes at least five days to do a local vendor match. Council Member Joe Kusar motioned to amend the City of Perry purchasing policies to extend the local vendor response time. Council Member Willie King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2009-41 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

7. Any Other Old Business Matters: None.

8. New Business: Mayor Pro-Tempore Riley Hunt.

8a. Discussion of Notting Hill Drive maintenance. City Manager Lee Gilmour discussed with Council the options for the Notting Hill Drive maintenance. The recommendation of the Administration is to go with option which states the City agrees within one (1) year to install minimum paving. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated that he would be coming back to Council with the prices. All members concurred to follow the recommendation of the Administration.

8b. Reviewed customer service survey form. City Manager Lee Gilmour reviewed with Council's the customer service survey form. The recommendation of the Administration is to proceed with the implement of the customer service survey form. Council Member Joe Kusar suggested that under item 1 that the customer has options to choose from and a place to fill in an answer. Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace suggested that the customer identify whom in customer service they spoke/dealt with. All members concurred to proceed with the changes discussed by Council.

8c. Update on assessment of the September 2009 storm water damage. City Manager Lee Gilmour gave Council an update assessment of the September 2009 storm water damage. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated that after the assessment the information will be reviewed at a Public Works Oversight Committee meeting and presented to Council.

8d. Authorize disposal of old computer inventory. City Manager Lee Gilmour reviewed with Council a request to authorize disposal of the old computer inventory by a company in Atlanta at no cost to the City. All members concurred to authorize the disposal of the old computer inventory by the company in Atlanta at no cost to the City.

8e. Council consideration of options relative to the Georgia Department of Transportation (DOT) site. City Manager Lee Gilmour reviewed with Council the options relative to the Georgia Department of Transportation site. The recommendation of the Administration is to ask a local civic club if they might be able to help out with maintaining DOT property. All members concurred.

- 8f. Council authorizes “Yard Sale” of surplus personal inventory. City Manager Lee Gilmour presented for Council’s consideration a request to authorize a yard sale of surplus personal inventory. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated that per the City Attorney the City can hold a yard sale as long as the event is advertised to the public. Council Member Charles Lewis motioned to authorize a yard sale of surplus personal inventory. Council Member James Moore seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- 8g. Selection of consultant for workers compensation insurance. City Manager Lee Gilmour presented for Council’s consideration a report rating brokers for the workers compensation insurance. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated that the Administration recommendation is to go with J. Smith Lanier & Company due to the number of municipalities they have dealt with. Council Member Joe Kusar motioned to select J. Smith Lanier & Company as the consultant for workers compensation insurance. Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- 8h. Review of pension plan requirements. City Manager Lee Gilmour reviewed with Council the pension plan funding requirements. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated that the recommendation of the Administration is to authorize the contributions of 12.83% of payroll. Council Member Joe Kusar motioned to authorize the recommend rate as a percent of payroll. Council Member James Moore seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- 8i. Approved unanimously recommendations from the Public Works Oversight Committee from their meeting held on September 22, 2009. Chairman of Public Works Oversight Committee Riley Hunt.
1. Adopted Resolution No. 2009-42 to amend the City of Perry Community Facilities Improvements Plan. City Manager Lee Gilmour recommended to Council to amend the City of Perry Community Facilities Improvements Plan by adding the Baird Street Drainage Improvements. Council Member Joe Kusar motioned to amend the City of Perry Community Facilities Improvements Plan by adding the Baird Street Drainage Improvements. Council Member Willie King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2009-42 has been entered in the City’s official book of record*).
 2. Authorized to seek proposals from qualified firms for the provision of construction manager/general contractor for the wastewater facility office/maintenance facility.

Council Member Joe Kusar made the motion to accept the recommendation of the Committee. Council Member Charles Lewis seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 3. Adopted Resolution No. 2009-43 to amend the City of Perry water/sewage operations policy. City Manager Lee Gilmour recommended to Council to amend the City of Perry water/sewage operations policy. Council Member Willie King motion to amend the City of Perry water/sewage operations policy.

Council Member Joe Kusar seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
(Resolution 2009-43 has been entered in the City's official book of record).

8j. Award of Bids: Consideration of Award -

1. Bid No. 2009-29 Perry Arts Center – Metal Seam Roof.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Basic</u>	<u>Total</u>
Sperry & Associates	\$112,918.00	\$112,918.00
Roof Management	\$219,780.00	\$219,780.00
S. Garrett & Co.	\$169,733.00	\$169,733.00
Bax Steet	\$128,832.00	\$128,832.00
A-lert Roof Systems	\$153,055.00	\$153,055.00
Pittman –Waller	\$121,019.00	\$121,019.00
House of Metal Roofs	\$104,600.00	\$104,600.00

City Manager Lee Gilmour suggested to Council to accept the recommended bid from House of Metal Roof in the amount of \$104,600.00. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated that the lowest bidder is requesting 10% of the bid price up front. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated that the recommendation of the Administration is to go with the lowest bidder provided the current policy is followed which means no money paid up front. Council Member Joe Kusar motioned to accept the recommended bid provided the current policy is followed or contract with the second lowest bidder. Council Member James Moore seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

9. Other Business/Supplemental Agenda. None.

10. Department Head Items.

Director of Public Safety – George Potter: No.

Fire Department – Deputy Chief Joel Gray: No.

Director of Community Development – Mike Beecham: No.

Director of Public Works – Ronnie Jones: No.

Maintenance Supervisor – Bob Taylor: No.

Director of Administration – Brenda King: Reminded Council and candidates that the campaign contributions are due by the end of the week.

11. Council Member Items.

Attorney David Walker – No.

Council Member Willie King – No.

Council Member James Moore – Wanted to recap the next step relative to the storm water damage. Stating that an assessment will be done that will be brought back to Council to review. City Manager Lee Gilmour advised that based on the assessment some of the tasks may be able to done in house and the others may require major drainage improvements.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Riley Hunt – No.

Council Member Charles Lewis – No.

Council Member Joe Kusar – No.

Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace – No.

12. Executive Session entered at 7:19 p.m.: Council Member Willie King moved to adjourn regular meeting and enter into an Executive Session for the purpose of personnel and pending litigation. Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
13. Executive Session adjourned; regular meeting reconvened. Council adjourned the Executive Session held October 6, 2009 and reconvened into the regular meeting.
14. Adopted Resolution No. 2009-44 stating purpose of Executive Session held October 6, 2009 was to discuss personnel and pending litigation. Council Member James Moore moved to adopt a resolution stating the purpose of the Executive Session held on October 6, 2009 was to discuss personnel and pending litigation. Council Member Charles Lewis seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2009-44 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).
15. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Council in the reconvened meeting held October 6, 2009, Council Member Willie King motioned to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Joe Kusar seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.