

MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
December 2, 2008
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James Worrall, Presiding Officer called to order the work session meeting held December 2, 5:05 p.m.

2. Roll:

Elected Officials Present: Mayor James Worrall, Presiding Officer. Council Members, Charles Lewis, Joe Kusar, Willie King, James Moore and Riley Hunt.

Elected Official Absent: Mayor Pro-Tempore Phyllis Bynum-Grace.

Departmental Staffing: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Mike Beecham - Director of Community Development, George Potter – Director of Public Safety and Annie Warren - Recording Secretary.

Guests: Ms. Sheila Jones – PACVB, Ms. Terre Moody Walker – DDA, Ms. Jo Anna Banks – DCA and Ms. Malisa Thompson –DCA.

Press: Natasha Smith – Macon Telegraph and Charlotte Perkins – Houston Home Journal.

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor James Worrall.

- 3a. Overview of Housing Program DCA – Ms. Joanna Banks, GA Dept. of Community Affairs. Ms. Jo Anna Banks of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs presented to the Council a brief overview of the Georgia Academy for Economic Development and passed out literature relative to CDBG funding. Ms. Malisa Thompson of DCA addressed the Council asking for concerns they may have relative to housing. City Manager Lee Gilmour asked what types of programs are available either through the City, DCA or banks to assist property owners with older housing stock; the Council believes it important to have programs that can be done to provide affordable housing what are the options relative public housing; and should the City be more involved. Ms. Thompson reviewed the various programs available through DCA and passed out literature for Council to review and share with the community.

- 3b. Peaches to Beaches Yard Sale – Ms. Shelia Jones, Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. Ms. Sheila Jones, Executive Director of PACVB addressed the Council requesting assistance for the 5th Annual Peaches to the Beaches Yard Sale scheduled for March 13- 14, 2009. Ms. Jones provided Council a list of her requests for assistance from the City of Perry. Council reviewed the list.
4. Other items as needed: None.
5. Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor James Worrall adjourned the meeting at 5:58 p.m.