

**MINUTES**  
**PRE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
**March 16, 2010**  
**5:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth Jr., Presiding Officer called to order the pre council meeting held March 2, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

Elected Officials Present: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King. Council Members Riley Hunt, Joe Posey, and Randall Walker.

Elected Official Absent: Council Members Phyllis Bynum-Grace and William Jackson.

Departmental Staffing: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Mike Beecham - Director of Community Development, George Potter – Director of Public Safety, Deputy Chief Joel Gray – Fire Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration and Joni Ary - Recording Secretary.

Guests: Mr. Chuck Ramsdale.

Press: Mr. Thomas Day – Macon Telegraph.

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

- 3a. Discussion of March 16, 2010 regular meeting agenda. Mayor Faircloth reviewed with Council the regular meeting agenda.

9f. Consideration of blocking off section of Main Street (from Ball Street to Jernigan Street) for the Kick-Off even for the Perry Dogwood Festival, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 6pm – 8om. City Manager Lee Gilmour suggested including the wording “if necessary to block off a portion of Carroll Street and Ball Street for the event”. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated it would be advantageous to include the portion of Carroll Street due to the vendors setting up for the event. The Commerce Street parking project should be completed by the time of the Dogwood festival. All members concurred to include the wording “if necessary to block off a portion of Carroll Street and Ball Street for the event”.

4. Other items as needed:

Council Member Riley Hunt stated some citizens might be attending the regular Council meeting to discuss their high utility bills. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated the number of sequential cold nights that we have experienced has made the utility bills higher. Mayor Faircloth asked if there is any type of assistance for the citizens. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated the heating and energy assistance program was offered during the winter months, but the program is on a first come/first serve basis. Council Member Riley Hunt stated Perry Volunteer Outreach assists citizens year round with water and electric bills.

Council Member Riley Hunt stated he saw one buzzard on the water tower this morning. City Manager Lee Gilmour advised the City would keep a watch on the buzzards. Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King stated the buzzards have made a mess on the water tower. Council Member Riley Hunt asked if Utility Services Company cleans the water tower. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated the company maintains the water tower.

5. Adjournment. There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.