

**MINUTES**  
**WORK SESSION MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
July 1, 2010  
**5:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer called to order the work session meeting held July 1, 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, William Jackson and Randall Walker.

Elected Official Absent: Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace.

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour.

City Departmental Staffing: George Potter – Director of Public Safety, Deputy Chief Joel Gray – Fire Department, Brenda King - Director of Administration, Mike Beecham – Director of Community Development, Rick Kilgore – Director of Parks and Recreation, Harold Deal – Assistant City Engineer and Joni Ary - Recording Secretary.

Guests: Mr. Davis Cosey, Friends of Perry Animal Shelter and Mr. Shrad Amrit, Ambryo.

Press: None.

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.
  - 3a. Consider appeal decision from Council regarding Peach State Paranormal Investigations. Mayor Faircloth advised Council that he received an email from Peach State Paranormal Investigations withdrawing their request for appeal. Mayor Faircloth suggested if Council concurs to have City Manager Lee Gilmour put together a process and procedure for dealing with these types of requests to be along the lines of how Council handles request for parades and/or street closing. All members concurred.
  - 3b. Animal Control Facility presentation. Mr. Davis Cosey and Mr. Shrad Amrit presented to Council the proposed plans and architectural designs for the new animal control facility. The proposed sites for the facility have been withdrawn due to problems with having enough space and the property on a closed out landfill. Mr. Davis Cosey stated they are currently looking at property next to Rozar Park that is owned by the

County. Mayor Faircloth asked how much the facility would cost. Mr. Cosey stated the City portion of the facility is \$590,000 and the Friends of Perry Animal Shelter portion is \$150,000. The City is still receiving donations for the shelter and suggested looking at registration program to help raise money. Council Member Randall Walker asked how much money the City has set aside for the project. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated \$100,000. Mr. Cosey stated that there are some grants that can be applied for to help with the costs, but need a location for the facility before the project can even begin. Council Member Willie King asked how much property would be needed. Mr. Cosey stated about 4 acres that would also leave room for expansion in the future. Mayor Faircloth asked if Council concurs to work with Friends of Perry Animal Shelter and County to look at the property next to Rozar Park for the proposed location. All members concurred.

- 3c. Review request for additional services relative to right of way donation for Hampton Court Extension. City Manager Lee Gilmour reviewed with Council the request from Hampton Court Inn relative to right of way donation for Hampton Court Extension. The discussion was relative to who is responsible for the relocation of the private utility lines that are in the City right of way and the relocation of Georgia Power transformer. Per the agreement the City is responsible for installing a curb cut for the driveway at a cost of \$1,125.00 which does not include the relocation of the private utilities and the power transformer. If Hampton Court Inn installs a two-way drive the power transformer will have to be relocated but if Hampton Court Inn goes with a one-way drive the transformer would not have to be relocated. Mayor Faircloth asked City Manager Lee Gilmour to report back to Council the cost estimates for relocating the power transformer and the private utility lines and/or the cost savings for a one-way drive instead of a two-way drive. All members concurred.
- 3d. Examine building permit fees comparison to consider possible minimal charges. City Manager Lee Gilmour reviewed with Council the memo which outlined the building permit fee comparison. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated some of the current fees need to be adjusted to coincide with the actual costs. Council Member Randall Walker suggested phasing the cost to make the adjustment instead of having the fees suddenly jump up. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated if Council concurred to come back to Council with suggestions on how to increase to fees to coincide with the actual costs. All members concurred.
- 3e. Review resolution to amend the City of Perry Cemeteries policy to restrict the number of burials in a grave space. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated that Council Member Riley Hunt, Ms. Annie Warren and himself reviewed the policy and made the adjustments to the terminology. Council Member Riley Hunt stated he was satisfied with the new policy. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated if Council had no objections the policy

will be on Council's regular agenda meeting Tuesday, July 6, 2010 for approval. All members concurred.

4. Other items as needed:

Mayor Faircloth stated that on Thursday, July 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm – 7pm he will be hosting another “Thursday Evening with Jimmy”. The meeting will be a recurring meeting and is open for the citizens to voice their concerns and/or comments. Council Member Riley Hunt asked how many people attended the last meeting. Mayor Faircloth stated that there were about 8- 10 people.

Council Member Joe Posey asked when is the next Economic Strategy meeting. Mayor Faircloth stated the next meeting is on Thursday, July 8<sup>th</sup>.

Director of Public Safety George Potter stated that tonight beginning at 8pm Operation Rolling Thunder begins. Operation Rolling Thunders' mission is to work with surrounding law enforcement to help reduce elevated highway deaths and serious injuries by cracking down on illegal driving behaviors.

City Manager Lee Gilmour gave Council an update on the 1210 Oldfield Lane property. The owner has signed an affidavit that stated if the property owner is sited for any type of nuisance then the power will be shut off to the main house and the accessory building on the property. City Manager Lee Gilmour also advised that the property owner has cleaned up around the property and brought the accessory building up to code.

Council Member Joe Posey asked when Council is going to review the suggested ways for the City to become more economical. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated the suggestions would be discussed at Council's next work session.

Mayor Faircloth asked about the status of the Perry Arts Center roof. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated the roof looks to be completed, but as per stated by Chief Building Inspector Steve Howard the manufacturer will have to inspect the roof before it can be warranted. Mayor Faircloth asked Director of Public Safety George Potter about their new phone system. Director of Public Safety George Potter stated the system is working great and has cut down on nuisance calls.

5. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. adjourned the meeting at 6:37 p.m.