

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
July 19, 2011
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer called to order the pre council meeting held July 5, 2011, at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: None.

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour.

Departmental Staffing: Mike Beecham – Director of Community Development, Captain William Phelps – Public Safety, Deputy Fire Chief Joel Gray – Public Safety, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Rick Kilgore – Director of Parks and Recreation, Karen Bycenski – Personnel Analyst and Joni Ary - Recording Secretary.

Guests: Vickie Graham, Parrish Construction – Mr. Kenna Scragg and Mr. John Rood, WRS – Mr. Clark Weeks.

Press: Jessica Clark – Houston Home Journal.

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

- 3a. Presentation from WRS relative to consultant for City of Perry pension plan adjustment. Mr. Clark Weeks presented to Mayor and Council a presentation overview for why WRS is qualified to be the City's consultant relative to the City employees' pension plan. Mr. Weeks stated WRS has been in business since 2001 providing consulting for pension, 457 and 401 (a) plans. WRS will plan a strategy and design that is tailored to the needs of the city and their employees. Mayor Faircloth thanked Mr. Weeks for his presentation and thinks the company is qualified and very cost efficient. Mayor Faircloth asked if WRS has a succession plan. Mr. Weeks stated WRS has a two tier review for all investments and also makes the plan so that the organization can take over and manage. Councilmember Hunt asked what the return on investment was. Mr. Weeks stated he has no idea because he could not predict the stock market. Councilmember King asked the difference of a 401 (a) and 457. Mr.

Weeks stated the main difference is the early retirement and the amount of contributions. Mayor Faircloth thanked Mr. Weeks for his presentation.

- 3b. Discussion of July 19, 2011 regular meeting agenda. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. reviewed with Council the regular meeting agenda.
- 9c. Appeal concerning solicitor license denial Mr. Darrell Harland. Director of Community Development Mike Beecham stated that the applicant has withdrawn his request at this time.
- 9e. Consideration purchasing table for 2011 Congressional Luncheon at Ag Center, August 9, 2011. Councilmember Posey asked how much the table was. Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker stated it cost approximately \$60.00 per person and suggested the City should pay for the Mayor to attend and any Councilmember who wants to attend should pay out of pocket. Councilmember King stated the City should attend to show support and thinks the City should pay for the table. Mayor Faircloth agreed. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated in the past the City has paid for the event. Councilmember Jackson stated Council should attend since the event brings people into the City. Councilmember Bynum-Grace agreed but stated she would not be able to attend. Councilmember King, Hunt, Jackson stated they are willing to attend and if necessary pay for their seat. Councilmember Jackson stated that if Council concurs he will buy a ticket for the International Rotary student to attend the meeting. All members concurred for the student to attend.
- 9f. Award of Bid: Consideration of Award.
1. Award of bid – Big Indian Creek Walking Trail Phase 2. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated financing for the project will be paid from a grant, donations from the Perry Rotary Club and the Recreation SPLOST.
 2. Award of bid – King Circle Drainage Project. City Manager Lee Gilmour stated financing for the project has been taken care of and contacted the three (3) lowest bidders to ask for adjusted price and the lowest bidder remained Water & Sons and recommend going with the lowest bidder with the adjusted price.

4. Other Council Member Items:

Mayor Faircloth stated the “Walk with the Mayor” will be on Thursday, July 28th at 5:30 p.m. in Holly Hills subdivision.

Director of Administration Brenda King stated the City’s website is up and live and is a work in progress.

City Manager Lee Gilmour stated Mayor and Council is invited to the ESG Operations, Inc. cookout tomorrow at 12:00 p.m. at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mayor Faircloth stated the Vision 20/20 meeting will be tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. at the Board of Education building.

5. Adjournment. There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. adjourned the meeting at 5:49 p.m.