

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
September 17, 2013
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held September 17, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Officials Absent: Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace.

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

City Departmental Staffing: Fire Chief Joel Gray – Perry Fire and Emergency Services, Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Mike Beecham – Director of Community Development, Mary Beth Bass – Director of Economic Development, Brenda King – Director of Administration and Nancy Graham – Recording Secretary.

Guests/Speakers: Mr. Penrose Wolfe, Dipaben Rasikbhai Patel and Nipaben Patel.

Press/Media: Ms. Ashleigh Lewis – Houston Home Journal, Ms. Christine Wright – Macon Telegraph, and Ms. Shantikia Ogletree- ComSouth.

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Rev. O. L. Everette, Greater Union Baptist Church gave the invocation and Council Member Jackson led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Presentations/Recognition(s): Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

Presentation by ESG Operations, Inc.: Ryan Bode, Sharon Kelly, Chad McMurrian, and Dan Groselle presented Mayor and Council with a check in the amount of \$58,148.44. Mayor and Council thanked them for their efficiency and a job well done.

5. Citizens with Input. – None

6. Public Hearing: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr

Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. called to order a public hearing at 6:10 p.m. to provide any interest parties with an opportunity to express their views and concerns in accordance with O.C.G.A Sec. 36-67A-3 (c).

6a. Pinebrook Apartments property financing improvements - A developer has made arrangements through the Cordele Housing Authority to obtain federal financing to make

a series of improvements/renovations to apartments in the Middle Georgia area. Pinebrook Apartments in Perry will be included in this project. In order for the developer to proceed, there must be approval from the Perry Housing Authority and the City. As part of the requirements, a public hearing is required in each of the governing bodies to solicit citizen input and a resolution is required.

Mayor Faircloth asked Mr. Beecham if the project as proposed contradicts any zoning ordinance or land use permits. Mr. Beecham replied, no.

Mr. Penrose Wolfe, Perry Housing Authority stated the Board of Commissions of the Perry Housing Authority authorized him to execute the resolution. The resolution was signed and sent to Attorney David Walker

Mayor Faircloth called for any public input for or against the Pinebrook Apartments financing improvements as stated. In Favor: None; Opposed: None.

Mayor Faircloth closed the public hearing at 6:20 p.m.

7. Consent Agenda Items: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

7a. Council Consideration – Minutes of September 3, 2013 pre council meeting and September 3, 2013 council meeting

Council Member Hunt motioned to approve the minutes. Council Member Jackson seconded; all in favor and motion was carried unanimously.

8. Old Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

8a. Alcohol Licenses(s) for Second Reading and Adoption:

- 1 **Second Reading:** Application for Alcohol License (Beer & Wine Packaged To Go) for new owner KIPA, LLC d/b/a Circle 9 located at 423 General Courtney Hodges Boulevard. Applicant's name is Dipaben Rasikbhai Patel

Council approved application for Alcohol License (Beer & Wine Packaged To Go) for new owner KIPA, LLC d/b/a Circle 9 located at 423 General Courtney Hodges Boulevard. Applicant's name is Dipaben Rasikbhai Patel. Mayor Faircloth gave the second reading for the application for Alcohol License (Beer & Wine Packaged To Go) for new owner KIPA, LLC d/b/a Circle 9 located at 423 General Courtney Hodges Boulevard. Applicant's name is Dipaben Rasikbhai Patel. Council Member King motioned to approve request as submitted. Council Member Walker seconded; all in favor and carried unanimously.

9. Any Other Old Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

9a. Mayor James E. Faircloth - None

9b. Council/City Manager/Attorney - None

10. New Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

10a. Matters referred from the September 16, 2013 work session and September 17, 2013 pre council meeting: None

10b. Alcohol Licenses(s) for First Reading and Introduction:

1. **First Reading** Application for Alcohol License (Beer & Wine Packaged To Go) for new owners Shashtri LLC Express Food MAA located at 504 N. Perry Parkway. Applicant name is Nipaben Patel. *(No action required by Council)*

Mayor Faircloth advised that Council concurred at the September 16, 2013 work session to handle the first and second reading process administratively, except new locations. There will not be a second reading for this application.

10c. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

Mr. Walker submitted a separate resolution authorizing the Cordele Housing Authority to spend the proceeds in Perry to make improvements to the Pinebrook Apartments. Council Member King moved to adopt the resolution presented by Mr. Walker that authorizes the Housing Authority of Cordele to issue bonds to finance facilities located in Perry, Georgia. Motion seconded Council Member Hunt. All in favor and carried unanimously.

10d. Consider City's participation in Robins Partnership Steering Committee:

A proposed copy of the charter of the Robins Partnership Steering Committee was provided to Council and Mayor Faircloth read the Purpose of the Charter. The charter creates an Executive Council. It is a collaborative effort (private and public) on a regional basis to keep Robins Air Force Base viable in the long term.

The Mayor stated, as a member of this committee, he cannot commit the Council to anything without going through the normal channels.

Council Member Hunt moved to approve the initial charter as presented, subject to Mr. Walker approval of the language. Motion seconded by Council Member Walker; all in favor and carried unanimously.

11. Department Head Items:

Ms. King – Relative to the software conversion, the consultant is still here.

Ms. Bass –

Music Festival is September 21, 2013

Tour at Gillmer Warehouse – September 23, 2013 at 4:30 pm

Perry Haunted Barn Ribbon Cutting – September 24, 2013; 11:00 am at Barn

Business After Hours – September 26, 2013 at Summerhill

Business of the Month – Frito Lay October 2, 2013; honoring 25 yrs in Perry area

Farmers' Market - ongoing

Mr. Beecham – New convenient store on Perimeter and Macon Rd has completed construction. Storm water and tree issues are resolved, along with the issuance of Certificate of Occupancy.

Chief Gray – Attended Georgia Fire Service Conference in Albany, GA. He stated the State Fire Marshall is considering a statewide reporting system called Image Trend. The current history will migrate to the new system.

Chief Lynn – No report

12. Council Member and General Public Items:

Mr. Gilmour – No report

Mayor Pro Tempore Posey – No report

Council Member Walker – No report

Council Member Hunt – No report

Council Member King – No report

Council Member Jackson – No report

General Public: Mayor asked if any member of general public wish to address Council. None

13. Mayor Items:

Encouraged attendance to the 4th Annual Perry Music Festival – September 21, 2013

Robins Regional Chamber of Commerce - Annual Hobnob – September 26, 2013 at Central Georgia Tech (Gym)

Georgia National Fair Opening - October 3, 2013

14. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor Faircloth adjourned the September 23, 2013 Council meeting at 6:55 p.m.