

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
**October 1, 2013**  
**6:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro Tempore Joe Posey, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held October 1, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Assistant City Attorney John G. Walker and Annie Warren, Recording Clerk.

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 – Economic Development Director and Brenda King – Director of Administration.

Guests/Speakers: Ms. Mildred McIntosh, Mr. Walton Wood, Porter Smith, Tony Leopard, Tyler Watson, Ty Leopard, Alex Bittle, Tristian Hancock, Evan Smith, Mason Smith and Caleb Smith – Troop #127.

Press/Media: Ms. Christina Wright – Macon Telegraph and Ms. Shantika Ogletree - ComSouth 100.

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Rev. Willie King of Faith Bible Baptist Church gave the invocation and Mr. Walton Wood led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Appointment(s)/Recognition(s): Mayor Pro Tempore Joe Posey.

- Appointment to WRATS Citizens Advisory Committee – Mayor Pro Tempore Joe Posey.

Mayor Pro Tempore Posey entertained a motion to appoint Mr. John Hamilton to WRATS Citizens Advisory Committee. Council Member King motioned to appoint Mr. John Hamilton to the WRATS Citizens Advisory Committee. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- Appointment to Downtown Development Authority – Mayor Pro Tempore Joe Posey.

Mayor Pro Tempore Posey advised Council of Mayor Faircloth's appointment of Mr. Lee Jones to the Downtown Development Authority.

- Recognition of Sergeant Arthur “Ray” Jackson for 40 years of service – Chief Steve Lynn.

Chief Lynn presented to Sgt. Jackson a plaque honoring his 40 years of service to the City of Perry Police Department. Mayor Pro Tempore Posey and Council congratulated Sgt. Jackson for his accomplishments and years of service.

5. Citizens with Input.

Ms. Mildred McIntosh advised Council of “Treats and Sweets on Downtown Streets”, October 31, 2013, 4p – 6p. Ms. McIntosh requested City support and police presence during this event.

Ms. Mary Lou Simon asked for an update relative to the sidewalks for Creekwood. Mr. Gilmour stated the bid specifications have been finalized, checking on necessary easements and should go out to bid in about two weeks. Ms. Simon inquired about the drainage project. Mr. Gilmour advised the project should go to bid by mid-November.

Mayor Pro Tempore Posey recognized member of Boys Scout Troop #127 who were present.

6. PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:20 P.M. Mayor Pro Tempore Posey called to order a public hearing at 6:20 p.m. to provide any interested parties with an opportunity to express their views and concerns in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-67A-3 (c).

- 6a. Petition for Rezoning Application No R-13-05. Applicant Owner – New Hope Baptist Church, Ms. Paula Dean - Agent, requests to rezone approximately 1.44 acres from City of Perry IN, Institutional District to R-3, Multi Family Residential District. The property is located at 1115 Forest Street.

Staff Report: Mr. Beecham advised the Perry Planning Commission at its September 9, 2013 meeting reviewed the request to rezone 1.44 acres from City of Perry IN to R-3; the commission recommends to rezoning to R-3.

Public Input: Mayor Pro Tempore Posey called for any public input for or opposed to the petition.

In Favor: None

Opposed: None

Public Hearing Adjourned at 6:24 p.m. Mayor Pro Tempore Joe Posey closed the public hearing at 6:24 p.m.

7. Consent Agenda Items: Mayor Pro Tempore Joe Posey.

- 7a. Council Consideration – Minutes of September 16, 2013 work session, September 17, 2013 pre council meeting and September 17, 2013 council meeting.

Council Member Hunt motioned to approve the September 16, 2013 work session minutes. Council Member Walker seconded the motion; motioned carried with Council Members King and Bynum-Grace abstaining.

Council Member Jackson motioned to approve the September 17, 2013 pre council minutes. Council Member Walker seconded the motion; motioned carried with Council Members King and Bynum-Grace abstaining.

Council Member King motioned to approve the September 17, 2013 council minutes. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion; motion carried with Council Member Bynum-Grace abstaining.

8. Old Business: Mayor Pro Tempore Joe Posey

8a. Mayor Pro Tempore Joe Posey – No report

8b. Council/Manager/Attorney – No report

9. New Business: Mayor Pro Tempore Joe Posey

9a. Matters referred from the September 30, 2013 work session and October 1, 2013 pre council meeting.

1. Resolution amending the City of Perry Personnel Policy relative to annual and sick leave retention levels.

Adopted Resolution No. 2013-44 amending the City of Perry Personnel Policy relative to annual and sick leave retention levels. Gilmour reviewed with Council a resolution amending the City of Perry Personnel Policy relative to annual and sick leave retention levels. Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to adopt a resolution amending the City of Perry Personnel Policy relative to annual and sick leave retention levels. Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2013-44 has been entered in the City's official book of record.*)

9b. Ordinance(s) for First Reading and Introduction.

1. **First Reading** of an ordinance to rezone approximately 1.44 acres from City of Perry IN, Institutional District to R-3, Multi Family Residential District. The property is located at 1115 Forest Street. (*No action required by Council.*)
2. **First Reading** of ordinance amending the Perry code by deleting Sec. 15-53 – Collection of tax by lodging provider and adding a new Sec. 15-53. (*No action required by Council.*)

9c. Resolution(s):

1. Resolution accepting Langston Place Subdivision, Phase 1.

Adopted Resolution No. 2013-45 accepting Langston Place Subdivision, Phase 1. Mr. Beecham reviewed with Council a resolution accepting Langston Place Subdivision, Phase 1 with the exception of water and sewer which were previously accepted by Council. Council Member Jackson motioned to adopt the resolution accepting Langston Place Subdivision, Phase 1. Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2013-45 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

9d. Award of Bid:

1. Replacement of dry lime feeder for Main Street water treatment plant.

Awarded replacement of dry lime feeder for Main Street water treatment plant to Guardian Equipment. Mayor Pro Tempore Posey presented for Council's consideration bids for the replacement of a dry lime feeder for Main Street water treatment plant. Staff recommended to Council to award the bid to Guardian Equipment in the amount of \$5,295.00 plus freight. Council Member Hunt motioned to award the bid to Guardian Equipment in the amount of \$5,295.00 plus freight. Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

9e. Consider financing offers for capital purchase.

Mr. Gilmour reviewed the financing offers for the capital purchase and recommended Council proceed with the proposal from State Bank. Council Member Walker motioned to proceed with the proposal from State Bank. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10. Department Head Items.

Chief Lynn advised Council of the Georgia National Fair opening on October 3, 2013.

Chief Gray advised Council of Davis Farm Fire Station dedication ceremony on October 26, 2013 at 2:00 pm. and promotion.

Mr. Beecham – No report

Ms. Bass advised Council of tomorrow morning's business of the month tour at Perry Area Chamber of Commerce; next Tuesday the Georgia Department of Community Affairs will be conducting the Main Street site visit.

Ms. King advised Council of her department.

11. Council Member and General Public Items. Members of Council did not have any reports; Mr. Gilmour and City Attorney John Gray Walker did not have any reports.

12. Mayor Items.

Mayor Pro Tempore Posey

- Reminded Council of the opening ceremony for the Georgia National Fair is October 3, 2013 at 4 pm.
- Farm Day Parade on Saturday, October 5, 2013 beginning at 10 am.

13. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council Mayor Pro Tempore Posey adjourned the October 1, 2013 Council meeting at 6:35 pm.