

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
November 5, 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 November 5, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official Absent: Council Member Randall Walker

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 and Mary Beth Bass – Economic Development Director.

Guests/Speakers: Mr. Robbin Jackson, Ms. Chenelle Colon and Ms. Mary Lou Simon.

Press/Media: Ms. Shantika Ogletree - ComSouth 100.

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Rev. Willie King of Faith Bible Church gave the invocation and Council Member Hunt led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Citizens with Input.

Ms. Chenelle Colon of 117 Hill Road addressed Council relative not having city water and sewer and sought information for de-annexation.

Mr. Robbin Jackson of 1102 Lovely Lane asked for Council consideration of providing an additional ingress/egress for the Hilltop community.

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

5a. Council Consideration – Minutes of October 7, 2013 special meeting, October 15, 2013 pre council meeting and October 15, 2013 council meeting.

Council Member Hunt motioned to approve the October 15, 2013 pre council minutes and October 15, 2013 council minutes. Council Member King seconded the motion; motioned carried with Council Member Bynum-Grace abstaining.

Council Member Hunt motioned to approve the October 7, 2013 special minutes. Council Member King seconded the motion; motioned carried unanimously.

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

6a. Mayor Faircloth – No report

6b. Council/Manager/Attorney – No report

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

7a. Matters referred from the November 4, 2013 work session and November 5, 2013 pre council meeting.

1. Determination of participation on priority committee.

Ms. Bass advised Mayor and Council that she had received the information she requested from Council.

7b. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

1. Adopted Resolution No. 2013-47 Code of Ethics for Cemeteries. Mr. Gilmour reviewed with Council a resolution outlining the code of ethics for cemeteries. Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to adopt said resolution. Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2013-47 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

2. Adopted Resolution No. 2013-48 amending the City of Perry Fee Schedule. Mr. Gilmour reviewed with Council a resolution amending the City of Perry Fee Schedule. Council Member King motioned to adopt said resolution. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

7c. Award of Bid:

1. Awarded Southern Concrete Construction Company Incorporated bid for repair work on city bridges. Mr. Gilmour presented for Council's consideration bids for repair work on city bridges. Staff recommendation to Council to award the bid to low bidder Southern Concrete Construction Company Incorporated in the amount of \$26,500. Mr. Gilmour advised funding would come from SPLOST '12. Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to award the bid to Southern Concrete Construction Company Incorporated in the amount of \$26,500. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

7d. Request from Perry Ministerial Association for the blocking of certain street relative Christmas at the Square, December 8, 2013. Chief advised Council of the request from the Perry Ministerial Association and advised there were no issues. Council Member King motioned to approved said request from Perry Ministerial Association. Mayor Pro Tempore Posey seconded the motioned and it carried unanimously.

8. Department Head Items.

Chief Lynn and Chief Gray had no reports.

Mr. Beecham advised eleven new single family permits were issued for the month of October; total for the fiscal year is thirty-eight.

Ms. Bass provided a status update of the master plan for the downtown; November 7th Chamber of Commerce and Small Business Development Center of Macon is hosting a "Lunch and Learn"; Ribbon cutting for Choo-Choo Build-It Mart on November 8th at 11am; Steering committee meets on November 21st at 5pm.

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

Ms. Mary Lou Simon of 103 Creekwood Drive asked for an update relative the sidewalks for Creekwood. Mr. Gilmour stated the easements have been signed and it is going out to bid in two weeks.

Mr. Robbin Jackson inquired about the increase of rates for water and sewer. Mayor Faircloth advised Mr. Jackson that the City's consumption level is down, in order to maintain the fixed cost level, the rates must be increased.

10. Mayor Items.

Mayor Faircloth reminded Council:

- Veterans' Day Program on November 11th, 11am, at the Perry Arts Center.
- WRATS meeting on November 12th, 10:30am, at the Byron complex.
- Council's Special Meeting on November 20th, at 5:00pm

11. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council Mayor Faircloth adjourned the November 5, 2013 Council meeting at 6:30pm.