

**MINUTES**  
**WORK SESSION MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
February 4, 2013  
**5:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth Jr., Presiding Officer called to order the work session meeting held February 4, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: None.

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour.

City Departmental Staffing: Rick Kilgore – Director of Recreation, Mike Beecham – Director of Community Development, Chief Joel Gray – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Chief Steve Lynn – Police Department, Captain William Phelps – Police Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Mary Beth Chew – Economic Development Coordinator, Susan Miles – Revenue Collection Manager and Annie Warren - Recording Secretary.

Guests: Mr. Martin Beeland, Mr. Walton Wood, Ms. Becky Wood and Ms. Vickie Graham.

Press: Jessica Clark – Houston Home Journal and Mr. Mike Baker – Comsouth.

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

Mayor Faircloth welcomed Chief Steve Lynn to the City of Perry.

Due to technical issues, item 3b was moved up on the agenda.

- 3b. Consider fee waiver request of Oldfield Baptist Church for use of Worrall Community Center on March 23, 2013 for prayer breakfast/fundraiser.

Mr. Gilmour reviewed the fee waiver request from Oldfield Baptist Church for use of Worrall Community Center on March 23, 2013 for a prayer breakfast/fundraiser. Consensus of Council to deny Oldfield Baptist Church fee waiver request for use of Worrall Community Center on March 23, 2013

for a prayer breakfast/fundraiser. Council directed Mr. Gilmour to compose a guideline for fee waivers.

- 3a. Discuss alternative transportation plan. Mr. Gilmour reviewed his memo to Council dated January 30, 2013 relative the alternate transportation. Administration recommended Council approve proceeding with the modification/construction of alternate transportation routes. Mayor Pro-Tempore Posey inquired where the funding would come from. Mr. Gilmour advised the funding would come from the Hotel/Motel Tax, General Capital and SPLOST. Council concurred to proceed with the alternate transportation plan.
- 3c. Consider status of greeters at city hall. Mr. Gilmour shared City Attorney Walker's response relative to his inquiry of utility bill reduction for volunteer greeters. City Attorney Walker advised the City cannot provide volunteer greeters a reduction in their utility bills. Ms. Bass will advertise in the City FYI for greeters per Mayor Pro Tempore Posey's request.
- 3d. Update relative City supported events for downtown. Mr. Gilmour reviewed the memo dated January 28, 2013 from Ms. Mary Beth Bass requesting City support for events downtown.
- 3e. Irrigation water planning:
  - 1) Authorizing water tank trailer. Mr. Gilmour advised Council of Mr. Bob Taylor's alternative option to build a trailer to pull the water tank instead of purchasing a water tank. Recommendation of Administration to proceed with the 1,000 gallon trailer option. Consensus of Council to proceed with the 1,000 gallon trailer option.
  - 2) Request status permit treated effluent. Mr. Gilmour reviewed the memo dated January 25, 2013 showing the year-long study of ESG Operations, Inc. wastewater quality comparing Big Indian Creek and the City's treated wastewater. Administration recommended to Council to authorize applying to the EPD to use effluent wastewater as a trial site to irrigate areas where there is little pedestrian traffic. Consensus of Council to proceed with contacting EPD relative use of effluent wastewater to irrigate areas of non-playground greenspace.
- 3f. Establishing criteria and time for Mayor/Council planning session. Mayor Faircloth asked for Council's input relative Mayor and Council planning session. Mayor/Council/City Manager's planning session will be March 12, 2013 at 4:30pm, location to be determined.
- 3g. Request for waiver of fees relative tax bills.
  - 1) Mr. Jeff Moss – Mr. Gilmour reviewed Mr. Moss request to waive the interest on his property taxes since he received his tax bill late. Mr.

Gilmour advised Council Mr. Moss's tax bill was mailed to the same address the County has on file.

- 2) Guardian Centers of Georgia – Mr. Gilmour advised Council of Guardian Centers of Georgia request to waive the property tax interest because the original tax bill was not received. Mr. Gilmour advised Council Guardian Centers of Georgia tax bill was mailed to the same address on file that the County has on file.

Consensus of Council to deny Mr. Moss and Guardians Centers of Georgia requests to waive the property tax interest.

- 3h. Consider request for public transit to serve Houston Springs. Mr. Gilmour presented the WRATS Transit Feasibility Study 2012. Administration recommendation to Council at this time the extremely high cost makes public transit impractical and the alternate transportation plan may provide options.
  - 3i. Council member(s) presentations from GMA training session. Mayor Faircloth, Council Members Hunt, Jackson, King and Bynum-Grace provided brief synopsis of the classes they attended during Mayors' Day 2013.
  - 3j. Proposed improvements on Macon Road between Main Street and Carroll Street. Mr. Gilmour advised Council of Perry United Methodist Church improvements adjacent to the City's right-of-way on Macon Road between Carroll Alley and Main Street. PUMC has requested the City look into improving its right-of-way on the church side. Mr. Gilmour advised the City is performing an analysis and will follow up with Council.
4. Other items as needed:

Mayor Faircloth asked if any members of Council had any items for discussion.

Mayor Pro Tempore Posey, Council Members Jackson, Walker, King, Bynum-Grace and Hunt had no reports.

Mr. Beecham advised the nuisance ordinance doesn't allow RV's in driveways but they can be parked in the backyard and on the street; situation came up where an RV was parked on the street and it is legal.

Chief Steve Lynn advised he is happy to be here.

Chief Gray, Mr. Kilgore and Ms. King had no reports.

Ms. Bass thanked everyone for coming to the memorial bench dedication; had a conversation with Ms. Angie Gheesling relative Tour with Industry.

Mayor Faircloth entertained at motion to enter into an executive session for personnel and real estate acquisition.

5. Executive Session entered at 6:25p.m.: Council Member Hunt moved to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel and real estate acquisition. Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
6. Executive Session adjourned; Council regular meeting reconvened. Council adjourned the Executive Session held February 4, 2013 and reconvened into the council regular meeting.
7. Adopted Resolution No. 2013-03 stating purpose of Executive Session held February 4, 2013 was to discuss personnel and real estate acquisition. Mayor Pro Tempore Posey moved to adopt a resolution stating the purpose of the Executive Session held on February 4, 2013 was to discuss personnel and real estate acquisition. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2013-03 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).
8. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the reconvened meeting held February 4, 2013, Council Member Walker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:01p.m. Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.