

**MINUTES**  
**WORK SESSION MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
March 31, 2014  
**5:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Presiding Officer called to order the work session meeting held March 31, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: none

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour and Recording Clerk, Nancy Graham

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Joel Gray – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Chief Steve Lynn – Police Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, and Michael Beecham – Director of Community Development

Guests/Speakers: Dave Forrester, Carl Lumpkin, Jodie Dale, and Lori Freeman.

Press: Don Moncrief, Houston Home Journal

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

Mayor Faircloth deviated from the order of the agenda to consider item 3g first.

3g Consider support for local Localicious event: Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker introduced representatives, Jodie Daley and Lori Freeman from Localicious. Localicious is an event to bring local farmers and consumers in one location. Council was asked to participate in the cooking challenge. The cooking challenge is not limited to Council members only. Council agreed to participate.

3a. Discussion of water tank maintenance: Mr. Gilmour recommended to the Council to: (1) contact a third party not affiliated with ESG Operations, Inc. or its affiliates, Utility Service Group or its affiliates to inspect each tank (interior/exterior) and provide a status report; (2) Using best management practices and the information from the status report, prepare a tank monitoring service proposal for a ten (10) year period; (3) The City solicit proposals from qualified companies to be considered for an award of the maintenance agreement; (4) Council awards to what it determines the most qualified proposal. After Council's discussion, Mayor Faircloth stated it appears that Utility Service Group has been fulfilling the requirements of the current contract. Mayor Faircloth advised Council to be prepared to take action at the next regular meeting.

- 3b. Follow up responses relative to naming the walking trail at Rozar Park: Council members, with the exception of Council Member Jackson (did not have a preference) gave Mr. Gilmour their top four names for the walking trail at Rozar Park.
- 3c. Discussion of Perry Music Festival: Following Council's discussion relative to the Perry Music Festival and comments from Mr. Carl Lumpkin expressing his desire for the Music Festival to continue, it was the consensus Council to accept Option 2 – Support Rotary Centennial Park Stage Only, with the exclusion of City staff support of \$5500.00.
- 3d. Authorize removal of old home/office at the Goodroe site: It was the consensus of Council to remove the old home/office at the Goodroe parcel site.
- 3e. Consider proceeding with "Walk with a Doc" agreement: It was the consensus of Council to not enter into the "Walk with a Doc" franchise agreement.
- 3f. Consider adjusting policy for subsidized housing: After discussion relative to adjusting the policy for subsidized housing, Council agreed to take advisement and direction from Georgia Initiative of Community Housing as well as a proposal stating what is legal.
- 3h. Update on firefighters provision: Mr. Gilmour provided Council the estimated cost of adding part time firefighters which will allow for four (4) firefighters on each of the apparatus. Mayor Faircloth asked Mr. Gilmour to provide funding sources at the next work session to assist Council in making an informed decision.
- 3i. Discuss possible amendment to Perry health plan: It was the consensus Council, to amend the employee health plan to cover sleep disorders.
- 3j. Discuss new permit requirements associated with City's designation as small MS4: Mr. Beecham advised Council, as part of a federal mandate, the City will have to develop a stormwater plan, develop an enforcement response plan for violators and have an extensive monitoring and sampling plan in place for impaired waters.
- 3k. Consideration of placing banner in City's right-of-way: It was the consensus Council to disapprove the request from the Bill Glass Crusade to place a banner in the City's right-of-way.

4. Department Head Items:

Chief Lynn, Ms. King, Mr. Beecham and Chief Gray – No report

Council Members Items:

Council Members Jackson, King, Bynum Grace and Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker – No report

Council Member Posey asked about the status of the animal shelter task force. Mayor Faircloth stated he was still waiting to hear from one more person slated to serve on the task force.

Council Member Hunt asked about the status of Jaycee Building. Mr. Gilmour stated he has not received any input from the departments.

Mr. Gilmour – No report

Mayor Faircloth advised he will not be at the April 1, 2014 regular scheduled meeting. Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker will preside in his absence.

6. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor James E. Faircloth adjourned the March 31, 2014 work session meeting at 7:25 p.m.