

MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
June 2, 2014
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer called to order the work session meeting held June 2, 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, Attorney, Matthew Hulbert and Recording Clerk, Nancy Graham

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Joel Gray – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Captain Bill Phelps – Police Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Mary Beth Bass – Economic Development Director

Guests: Ms. Terre Walker, Mr. Rogers, Mr. David Grossnickle, Ms. Susan Scragg, Ms. Chrissy Miner, Ms. Patsy Goff, Mr. William Jerles, Ms. Darlene McLendon, Mr. Tom Curry, Mr. Stephen Rodgers, Ms. Vickie Graham, and Mr. Bill Rea

Press: Mr. Don Moncrief, Houston Home Journal

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

3a. FY 15 Budget Presentation of Outside Agencies

Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority: Mr. Rodgers advised he had a special request for banners. Mayor Faircloth requested an update on the status of hiring a replacement for Ms. Jones. Mr. Rodgers advised that their board will meet with the final three candidates in the next two to three weeks.

Georgia Artisan Center: A representative was not present. Mr. Gilmour advised the Georgia Artisan Center is requesting \$7,750.00.

Perry Downtown Development Authority: Mr. Grossnickle advised that the Perry Downtown Development Authority asked Council to defer their funding request for the

FY 15 budget until the completion of the Master Plan. Mr. Grossnickle shared with Council additional projects they are pursuing in 2015.

Perry Main Street: Susan Scragg provided an overview of Budget FY 15. Mr. Gilmour reminded Council that Perry Main Street is a separate legal corporation.

Middle Georgia Clean Air Coalition: A representative was not present.

21st Century Partnership: Chrissy Miner requested from Mayor and Council \$9,714.54 in their efforts to help and defend Robins Air Force Base.

Perry-Houston County Airport Authority: Ms. Goff and Mr. Jerles expressed their appreciation for any financial assistance that Mayor and Council could provide to the Perry Houston County Airport Authority.

Perry Area Chamber of Commerce: Ms. McLendon requested \$20,000 to be considered in the budget FY 15.

3b. Presentation – REA Ventures: Mr. Rea requested a letter of commitment from the City for a loan in the amount of \$300,000. The first two (2) years of the loan would be interest only and amortized over the next 10 years. Additional details were covered by attorney, Tom Curry.

3c. Updates for the rezoning of 1211 Houston Lake Drive and 481 Lake Joy Road: Mr. Gilmour updated Mayor and Council relative to the rezoning of 1211 Houston Lake Drive and 481 Lake Joy Road. Houston Lake Drive – Mr. Gilmour gave Council an update relative to Ms. Christie’s input on the rezoning of 1211 Houston Lake Drive. Mr. Gilmour advised that: (1) Ms. Christie has no problem relative to the additional parking and access to road off Third Street, (2) is satisfied with C3 zoning rather than C2 and (3) she would like the driveway option for employee parking. Lake Joy – proposed rezoning of parcel at the intersection of Sandefur Road and Lake Joy Road. Mr. Gilmour provided a location map of the parcel to Council and advised that the parcel has access on Little Eagle Court and that it is possible to have at least two (2) residential lots located for that parcel. Mr. Gilmour advised Council that both cases will be coming up for final consideration at the regular council meeting on June 3, 2014.

3d. Discussion of a resolution to amend the City of Perry Personnel Management System to establish guidelines for weapons: Mr. Gilmour reviewed the proposed resolution to amend the City of Perry Personnel Management System to establish guidelines for weapons. Council agreed to proceed.

Ms. Vickie Graham asked if she would be allowed to have her weapon in her car on City’s property. Response from Council – yes.

3e. Discuss proposed 5k route: Captain Phelps presented an alternative to the existing 5k route that runs through the Evergreen Street area. Captain Phelps proposed the new route begin and end at the Convention & Visitor’s Bureau on Hay Road. After much discussion, it was agreed to consider the parking lot at the Board of Education as the new temporary start/finish line and other options.

3f. Discussion of a fire protection utility district: Mr. Gilmour reminded those present that the June 3, 2014 Council Meeting agenda would include the Second Reading of the ordinance to establish a fire protection utility district. He submitted and reviewed a memo outlining recommendations based on advisement from the City attorney and he also submitted a memo recommending implementation of the fire protection district fee to pay for certain functions of the Perry Fire Department. After much discussion, Mayor Faircloth stated that before enacted, a detailed schedule of implementation should be submitted.

4. Department Head Items: (this item was added to the agenda)

Captain Phelps – no report

Ms. King stated she and employees responsible for updating the City's website for their department will be meeting with Nick Kouloungis, Middle Georgia Regional Commission, to discuss updates, redesign, etc. of the website.

Ms. Bass advised that she is still working on the Master Plan.

Mr. Gilmour advised that it has come to his attention that there are concerns relative to the removal of pine trees on the Goodroe property near the house. Ms. Walker advised that the Main Street Design Committee would like to see the trees remain until after the Master Plan is completed.

It was the consensus of Council to take a look at the Goodroe property prior to the next regular council meeting.

Mr. Gilmour recommended sending out mailings to the churches, barber shops, and beauty salons as part of the process of getting information out to the citizens. Council agreed.

Council Member Hunt stated that trash has not been picked up on Tucker Road in nine (9) days.

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

Mayor Faircloth entertained a motion to enter into an executive session for personnel and pending litigation purposes.

5. Executive Session entered at 7:10 p.m.: Council Member King moved to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel and pending litigation. Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
6. Executive Session adjourned; Council work session meeting reconvened. Council adjourned the Executive Session held June 2, 2014 and reconvened into the council's work session meeting.
7. Adopted Resolution No. 2014-21 stating purpose of Executive Session held June 2, 2014 was to discuss personnel and pending litigation. Council Member Bynum-Grace moved to adopt a

resolution stating the purpose of the Executive Session held on June 2, 2014 was to discuss personnel and pending litigation. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2014-21 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 work session meeting held June 2, 2014, Council Member Posey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.