

MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
June 30, 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 30, 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, Phyllis Bynum-Grace, Willie King and William Jackson.

Elected Official Absent: Council Member Riley Hunt

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, Mary Beth Bass – Economic Development Director and Michael Beecham – Director of Community Development

Guests: Mr. Justin Futo, Ms. Amy Saxton, Mr. Nick Kouloungis, Mr. Kessler Lewis and Ms. Vickie Graham.

Press: Mr. Don Moncrief, Houston Home Journal

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

It was agreed by Mayor and Council to deviate from the agenda until Mr. Kessler Lewis arrives.

3b. Presentation – Mr. Nick Kouloungis, Middle GA Regional Commission: Mr. Kouloungis presented ideas/suggestions for improving the City's website. Mr. Kouloungis advised he has met with the city's staff that's responsible for updating the City's website. He also solicited input from Mayor and Council relative to suggestions for website improvements.

3a. Mr. Kessler Lewis of 605 Wisdom Street appeal lien for code enforcement purposes: Mr. Lewis addressed Mayor and Council requesting relief from the code enforcement charges where the City had the property mowed. The total charged to Mr. Lewis was \$165.00. Council agreed to grant authority to Mr. Gilmour to resolve this matter.

- 3c. Discussion of proposed truck routes: As a follow up to the discussion at the June 16, 2014 work session, Mr. Gilmour presented to Mayor and Council a map outlining proposed routes as well as certain streets where large trucks (18 wheeler) would be prohibited. After considerable discussion, Mayor recommended that a map of the entire city be looked at and review points of egress and ingress along with a meeting with Interfor (Tolleson).
- 3d. Discuss the need for a tire balancing machine: Mr. Gilmour provided a memo to Mayor and Council recommending authorization for a tire balancing machine to go to bid for City use when replacing light vehicle tires (cars, pick-ups, etc.). It was the consensus of Council to proceed.

4. Department Head Items:

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

Ms. Bass advised the city's Master Plan retreat is July 19, 2014.

Ms. King advised the city received the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting.

5. Council Member Items:

Council Member King advised that citizens have questioned him relative to the frequency of pick-ups for large items such as furniture, tires, etc.

Council Member Bynum-Grace advised a property on Nolan Street is overgrown. She also raised concern about individuals loitering on a property on W. F. Ragin Drive.

Council Member Posey and Mayor Pro Tempore Walker – No report.

Council Member Jackson inquired if there are plans in place for monitoring the baskets and pots over the holiday in the downtown area.

Mayor advised that Ms. Bass submitted her resignation. He congratulated her on a job well done. Mayor suggested to Council that a discussion needs to take place at the July 1, 2014 pre council meeting relative to the direction and process in hiring Ms. Bass's replacement.

6. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor Faircloth adjourned the June 30, 2014 Council meeting at 6:30 p.m.