

**MINUTES**  
**WORK SESSION MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
December 2, 2013  
**5:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro-Tempore Joe Posey, Presiding Officer called to order the work session meeting held December 2, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: none

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour.

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, Michael Beecham – Director of Community Development, and Recording Clerk, Nancy Graham

Guests: none

Press: Chris Hogan, Houston Home Journal

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor Pro-Tempore Joe Posey

3a. Consider parcels to be removed from stormwater utility district. As requested at the November 18, 2013 Work Session, Mr. Gilmour researched the following parcels for potential exemption that meet the criteria outlined by the Mayor and Council to be removed from the Stormwater District: Guardian Centers, Cross Point Baptist Church, Georgia Agri-Center (3 meters), Georgia Go Fish, Grace Village (2 meters), Abba House, and Heritage Baptist Church. Council concurred to exempt.

3b. Leisure planning follow up: Council agreed to continue and hold this item until Mayor James E. Faircloth arrives.

3c. Consider amending speed limit on a portion of Airport Road: Mr. Gilmour stated the City was approached about changing the speed limit on Airport Road. After requesting input from the Fire, Police, Community Development(Engineering) Departments, Mr. Gilmour recommended the following changes on Airport Road: From 35 to 45 mph just before Joree Drive and between Perry Parkway and US 341. Council concurred.

- 3d. Update on Trice site: Council reviewed several options relative to what action should be taken to the Trice site (1002 Deanview Street) Ms. King passed out financial information which outlined the events that led to the foreclosure. After discussion, Council concurred to place the house on the market using a real estate agent.

FY13 Budget Ordinance Amendment : Mr. Gilmour discussed the adjustment to the Water and Sewerage System Revenue Fund. The annual net changed from (\$876,900) to (\$137,300).

Recreation Options: Mr. Gilmour reminded Council of the presentation by the President of GRPA at the November 20, 2013 meeting. It was suggested at the meeting that the City consider a skate park and a dog park. Mr. Gilmour stated the skate park idea is currently being researched and proposed his putting together a layout plan relative to a dog park at Calhoun Park behind the tennis court. Council concurred that Mr. Gilmour proceed.

(Mayor Faircloth arrived – 5:28 p.m.)

- 3b. Leisure planning and follow up: Mr. Gilmour referred to the November 21, 2013 memo, a recreation/leisure follow-up to the November 20, 2013 meeting. Mr. Gilmour stated the need for determining the basic parameters for recreation and leisure.

Councilman Jackson questioned the wording of the third bullet read from the memo. It was agreed to split into two bullet points. As submitted: Coordination of festivals and outdoor entertainment on City right-of-way and/or property. Agreed recommendation: **Coordination** of City related festivals and outdoor entertainment on City right-of-way and/or property and **Facilitate** with outside organizations related festivals and outdoor entertainment on City right-of-way.

Ms. Bass presented a Recreation and Leisure statement. After discussion, with minor changes, the Council agreed to accept.

4. Other items as needed:

Council Member Hunt – No report

Council Member King – No report

Council Member Bynum-Grace – Inquired about the Creekwood Project. Mr. Gilmour stated it was out to bid.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Posey – Inquired if the meters were repaired. Mr. Gilmour responded, yes. He also asked why the Christmas lights were not turned on. After some discussion about changing when the lights should be turned on, it was agreed to keep as is (Sunday – Lighting of the Christmas tree).

Mayor Pro-Tempore Posey stated Westfield Hornets are the 2013 GISA State AAA Champions and recommended recognition at the first council meeting in January 2014. It was agreed

Council Member Walker – No report

Council Member Jackson – No report

Mr. Gilmour – No report

Chief Lynn – Commended Officer Daniel Manly for going above and beyond the call of duty for a citizen in need.

Mayor Faircloth – Expressed how well the process worked and the commendable job of Chief Lynn and Chief Gray relative to a bomb threat call at Walmart.

Ms. King – No report

Mr. Beecham – Request from an individual in Atlanta, GA relative to the purchase of the vacant Amoco station. Plans are to demolish it and build a new Murphy Oil.

Ms. Bass – Gave an update of the upcoming events in Perry for the month December.

Mayor Faircloth – Reminders: His trip to Atlanta – Dept of Economical Development (12/4/13); Taste of Perry (12/5/13); Annual Christmas at the Square festivities and lighting of the Christmas Tree(12/8/13)

5. Adjourn:  
Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.