

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
January 21, 2014
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer called to order the pre council meeting held January 21, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: None

City Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour and Sarah L. Nottingham, Recording Clerk

Departmental Staffing: Mike Beecham – Director of Community Development, Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Joel Gray – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration and Mary Beth Bass – Economic Development Director.

Guests: Mr. Davis Cosey

Media: Ms. Becky Purser – Macon Telegraph

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

3a. Discussion of January 21, 2014 regular meeting agenda. Mayor Faircloth reviewed with Council the regular meeting agenda.

3. Invocation: Rev. Roland Fall of Perry United Methodist Church

4a. Appointment(s): Council Post 1, District 1 – Council Member Bynum-Grace

- Appoint Victoria Brown to Downtown Development Authority
- Appoint Andrew Presswood to Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority

4b. Recognition(s): Mayor James E. Faircloth Jr.

- Recognition of Mr. Ralph Gentry for years of service to JONG Board
- Council Member Posey in recognition of his outstanding leadership as Mayor Pro-Tempore for 2013.

7a.(1). **Second Reading** of an ordinance to de-annex approximately 1.0 acres from City of Perry R-1, Single Family Residential District to Houston County R-1. The property is located at 117 Hill Road.

7a.(2). **Second Reading** of an ordinance to rezone 29.2 acres from City of Perry R-1, Single Family Residential to C-2, General Commercial District. The property is located at US Hwy 41 South and Greenwood Drive. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker inquired about the long range master plan outlined for this property. Mr. Beecham stated that the property is outlined as future regional activities centers.

8a Matters referred from January 21, 2014 pre council meeting. No actions required.

8b. (1). First Reading of an ordinance amending the Perry Code Sec. 18-5 - Speed limit restrictions – by adding Airport Road, from S.R. 11 in a northeasterly direction along Airport Road for 7500 feet, a distance of 1.42.....45.

(2). First Reading of an ordinance amending the Perry Code by deleting Sec. 19-21(d) – Enforcement; collection of costs - in its entirety and adding a new Sec. 19-21(d).

Mr. Gilmour informed the Council the purpose of the ordinance is to amend the code for modification on how to administratively process levies when the fees and charges on a piece of property have not been paid because the property owner is unwilling or unable to pay. If approved the levy would be filled as a lien on the property.

(3). First Reading of an ordinance amending the FY 14 Operating Budget. Mid-year adjustments to the FY 14 Operating Budget.

8c. (1). First Reading: Application for Alcohol License (Beer & Wine – Consumed on Premises) for new owner of Perry Country Club located at 1000 North Davis Drive. New owner name is Coffee Cup-Red Barn Vineyards d/b/a Coffee Cup on the Green. Manager’s name is Martin Glenn Myers.

Mr. Gilmour stated that the change in owner will require action by Council.

(2). First Reading: Application for Alcohol License (Wine – Packaged To Go) at new location, 900 Carroll Street. Name of business is Coffee Cup-Red Barn Vineyards Inc.; owner’s name is Martin Glenn Myers.

8d. (1). Bid No. 2014-07 Baird Street/Westwood Drainage Improvements
The Department recommendation is to accept the low bid of \$139,977.50 from LaKay Enterprise Inc. of Fort Valley GA.

(2). Bid No. 2014-10 Office Furnishings
It is the recommendation of Administration to deny due to budget restraints.

8e. Approve consent agreement with Georgia Public Service Commission.

The recommendation is to approve the consent agreement to educate the public.

8f. Approve local LMIG Agreement.

The recommendation of Administration is to approve the local LMIG Agreement, an intergovernmental agreement with the various entities to take advantage of economies of scale for resurfacing projects.

8g. Approval for professional services for development of a concept plan and cost estimate for the conversion of Creekwood Park's pool to a splash pad.

After discussion it was the consensus of Council to pull this item pending further research.

8h. Consider approval of amendment No. 1 to Economic Development Agreement dated December 1, 2011. Mayor Faircloth explained the memorandum of understanding relative to the modification of the Economic Development Agreement.

3b. Consider amending fees to increase court costs.

Mr. Gilmour proposes to increase some court costs to align with other municipalities to the fee of \$50.00.

3c. Consider establishing task force to review animal control options.

Mayor Faircloth recommended a proposal to appoint selected person(s) who have a desire to serve on the task force. The purpose will be to find alternatives for shelter and/or to find a suitable location. Mr. Cosey's suggestion was to create a category for type of people and to consider a veterinarian to be included in the task force. It was the recommendation of Council Member Hunt that Mr. Cosey be the chairperson of the task force.

4. Other Council Member Items:

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

Mayor Pro Tempore Walker and Council Members Jackson, Bynum-Grace, Posey- No reports.

Council Member Hunt inquired about the attendance of the luncheon with the local legislative delegation.

Council Member King inquired about the status of the Creekwood Park project

Chief Lynn, Chief Gray and Ms. King did not have reports.

Ms. Bass informed Council of the upcoming event relative to the housing program and preparation for the trip to Douglasville, the Buzzard Drop wrap up meeting and the meeting with Langford Holbrook to discuss the master plan.

5. Adjournment. There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor Faircloth adjourned the pre council meeting at 5:51p.m.