

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
June 17, 2014

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro James E. Faircloth, Jr. called the pre-council meeting of the Perry City Council to order at 5:00 pm.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: Council Member Riley Hunt

City Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour and Cyndi, Houser, Recording Clerk

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

Guest(s): Ms. Vickie Graham

Media: Mike Stucka – Macon Telegraph

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor Faircloth

6a. Ordinances(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance rezoning 3.11 acres from M-1, Wholesale and Light Industrial District to R-3, Multi-Family Residential District. The Property is located at 830 Valley Drive.

Mr. Beecham reviewed the request and noted the Planning Commission is recommending approval of the rezoning.

2. **Second Reading** of an ordinance adopting FY 15 Operating Budget for the City of Perry.

Mr. Gilmour stated that the final adjustments requested by Council were included in the ordinance.

3. **Second Reading** of an ordinance to amend the Perry Code by adding a new Chapter 18B – Municipal Court.

Mr. Gilmour noted that this ordinance was done at the request of the City Attorney.

7a. Matters referred from June 16, 2014 work session and June 17, 2014 pre council meeting.

1. Request to approve change order for Georgia Asphalt, Inc. to increase the amount of the contract.

7d. Award of Bid

1. Award of Bid No. 2014-31 for drainage improvements at Elizabeth Avenue and Godfrey Place.

7e. Approval of an agreement between Middle Georgia Regional Commission and the City of Perry for the City of Perry's website.

Ms. Brenda King reviewed the agreement between the City and Middle Georgia Regional Commission. The technical representative of Middle Georgia Regional Commission advised Ms. King they could update and redesign the City's website as well as train personnel at no charge. There would be a yearly maintenance charge, but it would be at a discounted rate because the City of Perry is a member of the Regional Commission. Mr. Walker expressed concern that double work could be involved when the strategic plan is initiated. Ms. King stated this had been discussed and Middle Georgia Regional Commission assured they would be able to incorporate any new logo and color changes.

7g. Partial abandonment of Fairview Drive's right-of-way.

Mr. Beecham advised that the new owner of the property would like to improve Fairview Drive by creating a Pocket Park and new road alignment. The developer requested a reduction of 20' in the right away, but will provide an additional 50' on the other side of the Pocket Park. There are also plans for a "round about". The Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposal.

4. Council Member Items:

Mr. King inquired about the progress of the Creekwood project. Mr. Gilmour advised that half the cuts had been made across Creekwood Drive and the other half will be done another day.

5. Department Head Items:

Chief Lynn, Mr. Beecham, Ms. King and Chief Stanton had no reports.

Ms. Bass advised Council: DDA will hold their budget hearing next Tuesday at 5:00; the Technology Summit will be held Thursday, June 19th from 2:30-4:30, and there are three ribbon cuttings. Ms. Bass asked for confirmation that Mayor and Council will ride the firetruck during the June 29th Independence Day Event parade.

6. Adjourn: There being no further business Mayor Faircloth adjourned the meeting at 5:22 pm.