

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
August 20, 2013

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. called to order the pre-Council meeting held August 20th, 2013 at 5:00 pm

2. Roll:

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

Elected Officials Absent: None

City Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour

Departmental Staff: Mike Beecham – Director of Community Development, Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Chief Joel Gray – Fire and Emergency Services, Mary Beth Bass – Director of Economic Development, Ricky Kilgore – Director of Department of Recreation, and Trisha McMillan – Recording Secretary.

Guests: None

Media: Ms. Ashleigh Lewis, Houston Home Journal

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

3a. Discussion of August 20, 2013 regular meeting agenda.

Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. reviewed with Council the regular meeting agenda. Dr. Tracey Brinson, Senior Adult Pastor at First Baptist Church will be giving the invocation and Mr. Randall Walker will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

5a. Amendment to Perry Land Development Ordinance-Section 99-Solar Energy Systems.

Mr. Beecham told Council that the Planning Commission was uncomfortable with developing any new regulations. They added numbers 19 and 20 which basically says that any system other than single family or two family will be judged on a case by case basis. Mayor Faircloth reminded Mr. Beecham that any franchisable business can go directly to the State of Georgia and get a permit. The Mayor asked Mr. Beecham to research this more. Item number 21 means that special districts (ex. historic district) will have to be reviewed by the appropriate entity. Mr. Beecham feels that the Planning Commission will revise the ordinance in the future after several

cases have been reviewed.

5b. Establishing 2013 Ad Valorem property tax millage rate for the City of Perry.

Mr. Gilmour said this is a required public hearing on the new rate of 14.08. State law requires that you roll back the millage rate after reassessment of indicated by re-assessed valuations.

7. Old Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

7a. Ordinance(s) for Second Reading and Adoption.

1. Second Reading of an ordinance amending the Perry Code by deleting Sec. 17-61 in its entirety and adding a new Sec. 17-61 – Occupying the driver’s seat of a motor vehicle while intoxicated.

This ordinance is up for adoption at council meeting.

9. New Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

9a. Matters referred from the August 19, 2013 work session and August 20, 2013 pre-council meeting.

1. Resolution establishing water supply strategies for City of Perry.

9c Resolution(s) for Consideration

1. Resolution to amend Perry Fee Schedule – per Mr. Gilmour this resolution is for the Worrall Community Center to adjust the fee schedule to be equal to the Arts Center.
2. Resolution establishing the 2013 Ad Valorem property tax millage rate for City of Perry – per Mr. Gilmour this will be voted on tonight.
3. Resolution authorizing Mayor and City Manager to execute the contract relative to Transportation Enhancement PI No. 0008161 various sidewalk improvements- per Mr. Gilmour this was done with the last T grant projects.
4. Resolution authorizing the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia to conduct hedge program – Mr. Gilmour said the purpose of this resolution is to authorize MGA to hedge when needed.
5. Resolution authorizing entering into a contract for maintenance of highways with GDOT-per Mr. Gilmour must approve resolution to proceed.

9d Award of Bid(s):

1. Bid No. 2013-27 Roof work at treatment plant #2; wastewater chemical building; old influent building.

Per Mr. Beecham bid packages were sent out to 9 companies and

the lowest bidder was chosen. It is Superior Exterior Roofing & Siding in Griffin, GA. The bid was for \$81,160.

3b Discussion of legislative agenda item.

Per Ms. Bass the Governmental Affairs Committee will have a joint meeting with the Perry Chamber of Commerce, Robins Regional Chamber and Peach County Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Bass will represent the city and would like to have a few issues to bring forward to the meeting. The following three items were decided on to refer to our State legislators:

- 1) Support the GMA and the Renaissance Act
- 2) Engaging council before eliminating revenues
- 3) Stopping companies from putting cell towers anywhere they want to without council approval

4. Other Council Member Items.

Mr. Gilmour spoke with Ms. Crowe who asked to have a waiver for a parade fee. She represents Geneva Hospice and is having a parade on Keith Drive Sept. 28th to benefit the Alzheimer's Association. Because this event has no connection to Perry Mr. Gilmour has denied her request.

Chief Lynn announced the Chamber of Commerce Youth Leadership Group will be at the Public Safety Training Center on Wednesday from 9am – 1pm. He also reminded everyone that the Citizens Police Academy will start Thursday, August 22nd from 6-8 pm.

Ms. Bass announced that the DDA will have a meeting on Tuesday, August 27th to discuss their master plan. Mr. Holbrook, MCRP AICP of the Carl Vinson Institute will also be here for that meeting.

Ms. Bass reminded council that on Thursday night @ 5:30 the Perry Chamber of Commerce will host a state legislative appreciation event at Go Fish on the Georgia National Fairgrounds.

Mayor Faircloth announced that next Monday, August 26th @ 5pm there will be a long range planning follow-up meeting. Also on Tuesday August 27th at 5:30pm, there will be a walk with the mayor and council in district 2. A map will be emailed to members in the next couple of days that details the walking route. Monday, August 26th will be qualifying day for council and will end on Friday, August 30th. There are 4 seats available (Mayor and 3 council members) for election.

5. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the pre Council meeting held August 20th, 2013, Mayor Faircloth adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.