

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
April 7, 2015
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held April 7, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

Elected Officials Present: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.; Council Members Randall Walker, William Jackson, Willie King and Robert Jones.

Elected Official(s) Absent: Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace and Council Member Riley Hunt

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney David Walker and Recording Clerk, Annie Warren.

City Departmental Staffing: Michael Beecham – Director of Community Development, Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Gray – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Robert Smith – Economic Development Director and Decius Aaron – Director of Public Works Department.

Guest(s)/Speakers: Battalion Chief Robert Rowell, Bradley Rowell, Terry Wietstruk, Sandi Smeltzer, Catherine Edgemon and Darlene McLendon

Media: Tabatha Walker – ComSouth 100 and Mike Stucka – Macon Telegraph.

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Reverend Willie King of Faith Bible Fellowship Church rendered the invocation and Council Member Jones led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Recognition(s) / Presentation(s): Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

* Recognition of Battalion Chief Robert Rowell for 20 years of service – Chief J. Gray

Chief Gray presented Battalion Chief Rowell his 20 year service pin. Mayor Faircloth presented Battalion Chief Rowell with a gift card and thanked him for his dedication and service to the City of Perry.

* Adopted Resolution 2015-20 recognizing Georgia Cities Week

Mayor Faircloth read aloud a resolution recognizing Georgia Cities Week. Council Member Jones motioned to adopt the resolution as submitted; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2015-20 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

5. Citizens with Input.

Ms. Becky Wood, 426 Sandefur Road, thanked Mayor and Council for their kind words and cards during the passing of her mother.

5a. Discussion of the Perry Sports Council – Ms. Terry Wietstruk and Ms. Sandi Smeltzer.

Ms. Smeltzer presented to Mayor and Council a brief overview of the Perry Sports Council. Ms. Wietstruk reported on the archery event that was held at the Fairgrounds.

6. Consent Agenda Items: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

6a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the March 16, 2015 work session, March 17, 2015 pre council meeting and March 17, 2015 council meeting.

Council Member King motioned to accept the minutes of the March 16, 2015 work session, March 17, 2015 pre council meeting and March 17, 2015 council meeting. Council Member Jones seconded the motion; the motioned carried with Council Member Jackson abstaining from the March 17th pre council and council meetings.

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

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

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance amending the accommodation excise tax rate.

Adopted Ordinance 2015-07 amending the accommodation excise tax rate. Mayor Faircloth entertained a motion to adopt an ordinance amending the accommodation excise tax rate. Council Member Walker motioned to adopt said ordinance as submitted. Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried three to one with Council Member Jones opposed. (*Ordinance 2015-07 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

2. **Second Reading** of an ordinance establishing the Perry Main Street Program Board.

Adopted Ordinance 2015-08 establishing the Perry Main Street Advisory Board. Mayor Faircloth entertained a motion to adopt an ordinance establishing the Perry Main Street Advisory Board. Council Member Walker motioned to adopt said ordinance as submitted. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance 2015-08 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

8. Any Other Old Business Matters: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

8a. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. – No report

8b. Council Members – No reports

- 8c. City Manager Lee Gilmour – No report
- 8d. City Attorney David Walker – No report

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

9a. Matters referred from April 6, 2015 work session and April 7, 2015 pre council meeting.

- 1. Selection of a consultant for the Perry branding project.

Robert Smith reviewed the proposal from Chandlerthinks and recommended Council authorize the selection of Chandlerthinks as the consultant for the City of Perry branding project. Council Member King motioned to authorize the selection of Chandlerthinks as the consultant for the City of Perry branding project; Council Member Walker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 2. Approval of the parade route and possible fee waiver for Mature Ministries – Nicaragua Missions.

Mr. Gilmour reviewed Council’s discussion from the work session relative to this agenda item. Administration recommended to Council to authorize approval of the parade route and deny the request for a parade fee waiver. Council Member King motioned to approve the parade route and deny the request for a parade fee waiver; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

9b. Ordinance(s) for First Reading and Introduction.

- 1. **First Reading** of an ordinance amending the Perry Code by deleting Sec. 23-36 (Fee for permit) in its entirety and adding a new Sec. 23-36. *(No action required by Council)*

9c. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

- 1. Resolution accepting water and sewer only, Sanford Place, Phase 3, Section 1.
- 2. Resolution accepting water and sewer only, The Woodlands of Houston Phase 1, Section 1.

Adopted Resolution No. 2015-21 accepting water and sewer only, Sanford Place, Phase 3, Section 1; Adopted Resolution No. 2015-22 accepting water and sewer only, The Woodlands of Houston Phase 1, Section 1. Mr. Beecham presented for Council’s consideration resolutions accepting water and sewer only for Sanford Place, Phase 3, Section 1 and accepting water and sewer only for The Woodlands of Houston Phase 1, Section 1. Council Member Walker motioned to adopt said resolutions as submitted; Council Member Jackson

seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2015-21; Resolution No. 2015-22 have been entered in the City's official book of record*).

9d. Award of Bid(s):

1. Bid No. 2015-19 2015-2016 Property & Casualty Insurance Coverage

Awarded Bid No. 2015-19 to Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency. Mayor Faircloth presented for Council's consideration bids for the 2015-2016 property and casualty insurance coverage. Staff recommended awarding the bid to Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency in the amount of \$109,534.00. Council Member King motioned to award the bid to Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency in the amount of \$109,534.00; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. Bid No. 2015-22 Sport Utility Vehicle for Public Works Admin.

Awarded Bid No. 2015-22 to Allan Vigil Ford. Mayor Faircloth presented for Council's consideration bids for a sport utility vehicle for public works administration. Staff recommended awarding the bid to Allan Vigil Ford in the amount of \$19,477.00 since the bid from Brannen Motor Company was only valid until April 6th then the amount for the vehicle would increase. Council Member King motioned to award the bid to Allan Vigil Ford in the amount of \$19,477.00; Council Member Walker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

3. Awarded Northside Drive Sidewalk Project to Pavercraft, Inc. Mayor Faircloth presented for Council's consideration bids for Northside Drive Sidewalk Project. Staff recommended awarding the bid to low bidder Pavercraft, Inc. in the amount of \$12,310.00. Council Member Jones motioned to award the bid to Pavercraft, Inc. in the amount of \$12,310.00; Council Member Walker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10. Department Heads Items.

Ms. King, Mr. Smith and Chief Lynn had no reports.

Mr. Beecham reported twenty-six permits were issued during the month of March.

Chief Gray advised ISO will be returning to Perry May 6th; the mobile command center will be present during the Perry Dogwood Festival and of his participation on a talk show this morning with Georgia Public Broadcast System.

Mr. Aaron stated public works staff changed out the flowers in the downtown district and on Thursday there will be a webinar for work orders.

11. Council Members Items:

Council Members King, Jackson and Walker had no reports.

Council Member Jones wished Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace a “Happy Birthday”.
Mr. Gilmour – No report

Attorney David Walker – No report

12. General Public Items:

Ms. Darlene McLendon, 1108 C Washington Street, thanked Mayor, Council and the City of Perry personnel for their support of the Perry Dogwood Festival.

Ms. Catherine Edgemon, 1625 Marshall Circle, advised Mayor and Council that Perry Main Street Board was a sponsor for the National Main Street Conference last week.

13. Mayor Items:

Mayor Faircloth reminded everyone of the Perry Dogwood Festival April 11-12

14. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the regular council meeting held on April 7, 2015, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m.; Council Member Walker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.