

MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
May 4, 2015
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer called to order the work session meeting held May 4, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: None

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney Matthew Hulbert and Recording Clerk, Annie Warren

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

Guests: Ms. Darlene McLendon, Mr. Steve Chandler and Mr. Greg Fuson

Press: Mike Stucka – Macon Telegraph

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

3a. Presentation of Chandlerthinks – Mr. Steve Chandler. Mr. Chandler presented a PowerPoint presentation to Mayor and Council outlining the branding process and answered questions from Mayor and Council.

3b. Set agenda for budget hearings. Mayor and Council concurred to hold the City of Perry FY 16 budget presentations on May 18th, May 21st and June 1st at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The public hearing for the FY 16 budget will be held on June 2nd at 6:00 p.m. during the regularly scheduled council meeting.

4. Department Head Items:

Chief Gray and Chief Lynn had no reports.

Mr. Aaron passed out flyers to Mayor and Council listing the events planned for Public Works Week.

- * May 18th – Proclamation reading recognizing Public Works Week
- * May 19th - City of Perry litter pickup challenge
- * May 20th – Showcase of Public Works equipment at City Hall
- * May 21st – Announcement of “Why I Should Recycle” essay winners
- * May 22nd – Department of Public Works Employee Appreciation Day

Mr. Beecham announced Ms. Sewell is out of the office this week.

Mr. Smith reported on the Farmers Market and reminded everyone that this week is recognized as National Small Business Week and to please shop local.

5. Council Member Items:

Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace inquired about having cameras installed in the park on Sandhill. Mr. Gilmour stated the installation of cameras in the park is not feasible at this time. Chief Lynn advised he will have the patrol division increase their patrolling of all the parks.

Council Members Jackson, Walker and Jones had no reports.

Council Member Hunt voiced his concerns about the house being built on Hill Road is in a flood plain and was unhappy about the fee the City charged for the name change relative to the Gayle property to First Baptist Church. Mr. Gilmour stated he would research this matter.

Council Member King stated there was some activity going on the back side of the pool of Creekwood Park and by the football field. He also asked for a status update on Westwood Trailer Park. Mr. Gilmour advised staff would follow up.

Mr. Gilmour and Mr. Hulbert had no reports.

Mayor Faircloth items:

- May 6th Eggs and Issues Delegation
- May 6th David Pierce Luncheon
- May 7th National Day of Prayer
- May 10th Mother’s Day

6. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the work session held on May 4, 2015, Council Member Walker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m.; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.