

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
May 5, 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 May 5, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: Council Member William Jackson

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney Matthew Hulbert 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 and Decius Aaron – Director of Public Works Department.

City Support Staff: Catherine Edgemon

Guest(s)/Speakers: Mr. Mark Hamby, Ms. Trish Cossart and Mr. Larry Bailey

Media: Mr. Todd Wilson – ComSouth 100 and Mr. Chase Ambrose - WGXA-TV.

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Minister Robert Jones of Grace Church rendered the invocation and Council Member King led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Appointments to the Perry Public Arts Commission. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

Council Member Hunt appointed Larry Hunt.
Council Member Walker appointed Peggy Jerles
Council Member Jones appointed Bill O’Neal

5. Community Partners Update(s): None

6. Citizens with Input.

Mark Hamby – 2000 Hwy 41 S., Mr. Hamby voiced his concerns relative to the ordinance that prohibits attachment of balloons and flags to antennas. Mr. Hamby asked for a compromise relative the ordinance.

Larry Bailey – 821 Woodsdale Drive, Mr. Bailey spoke out against the ordinance.

7. Public Hearing: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:09 P.M. Mayor James E. Faircloth Jr. called to order a public hearing at 6:09 p.m. to provide any interested parties with an opportunity to express their views and concerns in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-67A-3 (c).

- 7a. Petition for Re-Zoning & Annexation Application No. R-15-01. Applicant, Comfort Homes of Georgia, LLC request to rezone and annex 1.86 acres from Houston County R-AG, Residential Agricultural District to City of Perry R-1, Single Family Residential District. The property is located at 107 Hill Road.

Staff Report: Director of Community Development Mike Beecham reviewed with Council the recommendation of the Perry Planning Commission to approve the application as submitted.

Public Input: Mayor Faircloth called for any public input for or opposed to the petition.

In Favor: Mr. Don Hartley spoke in favor of the rezoning and annexation application.

Opposed: Mr. Riley Hunt, 2002 Tucker Road, spoke out against the building of a home on the property.

Public Hearing Closed at 6:13 p.m. Mayor James E. Faircloth Jr. closed the public hearing at 6:13 p.m.

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

- 8a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the April 20, 2015 work session, April 21, 2015 pre council meeting and April 21, 2015 council meeting.

Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace moved to accept the minutes of the April 20, 2015 work session, April 21, 2015 pre council meeting and April 21, 2015 council meeting. Council Member Jones seconded the motion; the motioned carried unanimously.

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

9a. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.- None

9b. Council Members - None

9c. City Manager Lee Gilmour - None

9d. City Attorney David Walker - None

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

- 10a. Matters referred from May 4, 2015 work session and May 5, 2015 pre council meeting.

None

10b. Ordinances for First Reading and Introduction.

1. **First Reading** of an ordinance to rezone 1.86 acres from Houston County R-AG, Residential Agricultural District to City of Perry R-1, Single Family Residential District. The property is located at 107 Hill Road. *(No action required by Council)*
2. **First Reading** of an ordinance to annex 1.86 acres from Houston County R-AG, Residential Agricultural District to City of Perry R-1, Single Family Residential District. The property is located at 107 Hill Road. *(No action required by Council)*

10c. Award of Bid(s):

1. Bid No. 2015-26 Worrall Community Center Message Sign

Awarded Bid No. 2015-26 for the Worrall Community Center message sign to Rosson Sign Company. Mayor Faircloth presented for Council's consideration bids for the Worrall Community Center message sign. Staff recommended awarding the bid to low bidder Rosson Sign Company in the amount of \$35,566.80. Council Member Walker motioned to award the bid to low bidder Rosson Sign Company in the amount of \$35,566.80. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. Bid No. 2015-29 Gym Lighting

Awarded Bid No. 2015-29 for the Worrall Community Center gym lighting to Wedincamp Electric. Mayor Faircloth presented for Council's consideration bids for the Worrall Community Center gym lighting. Staff recommended awarding the bid to low bidder Wedincamp Electric in the amount of \$9,925.00. Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace motioned to award the bid to low bidder Wedincamp Electric in the amount of \$9,925.00. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10d. Designate a voting delegate to GMA Annual meeting.

Mayor Faircloth advised Council that Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace has agreed to serve as the city's voting delegate at the GMA Annual meeting and Council Member Jones has agreed to serve as the proxy. Council concurred with Mayor Pro Tempore serving as the city's voting delegate and Council member Jones as the proxy at the GMA Annual meeting.

10e. Consider appointing Russell Walker as the City's hearing officer for the blight ordinance case.

Mr. Gilmour recommended to Council to appoint Mr. Russell Walker as the City's hearing officer for the blight ordinance case. Council Member King motioned to appoint Russell Walker as the City's hearing officer for the blight ordinance case; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 10f. Consider request for City services relative to the Chamber's Independence Parade and Freedom Fireworks on June 28th – Ms. Darlene McLendon and Ms. Bonnie Giles.

Ms. Giles reviewed the request for city services relative to the Chamber's Independence Parade and Freedom Fireworks for the June 28th event. Council Member Walker moved to approve the request from Perry Area Chamber of Commerce to provide certain city services for the Independence Parade and Freedom Fireworks event. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 10g. Consideration of a special event alcohol permit license application and street closures for the 3rd Annual Wine Tasting on June 5th from 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. - Perry Downtown Merchants Association.

Ms. Cossart reviewed the request of the Perry Downtown Merchants Association for a special event alcohol permit license application and closing of certain streets for the 3rd Annual Wine Tasting on June 5th. Council Member Walker motioned to approve the special event alcohol permit license application and closing of certain streets. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously

11. Other Business/Supplemental Agenda:

11a. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

1. Resolution restricting obstacles in the City's arterial and collector rights of way.

Adopted resolution 2015-30 restricting obstacles in the City's arterial and collector rights of way. Mr. Gilmour reviewed the resolution restricting obstacles in the City's arterial and collector rights of way. Council Member King moved to adopt the resolution as presented. Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2015-30 has been entered in the City's official book of record.*)

12. Department Heads Items.

Chief Gray reported the fire department received a donated 50" screen television and that ISO will be in Perry on May 6th.

Mr. Aaron reported fifteen essays were received for the Public Works Week essay contest.

Mr. Beecham reported thirty-eight single family permits were issued during the month of April.

Chief Lynn reminded everyone of the David Pierce Crimestoppers' luncheon at 11:00 a.m. tomorrow.

Ms. Edgemon thanked everyone who came out to the farmers market and reminded Mayor and Council that the Perry Downtown Development Authority will be kicking off the BOOST program on Thursday morning.

13. Council Members Items:

Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace and Council Members Hunt, Walker, and King had no reports.

Council Member Jones expressed his sympathy to the family of the police officer who was killed this past weekend with the gun stolen from Littles' Bait and Tackle.

Mr. Gilmour – No report

City Attorney Hulbert – No report

14. General Public Items:

None

15. Mayor Items:

- Mayor Faircloth recognized Mr. Hamby as a small business in Perry and thanked him for all that he does and continues to do for Perry.
- Mayor reminded everyone of the budget work sessions dates: May 18th, May 21st and June 1st.

16. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the regular council meeting held on May 5, 2015, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.