

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
May 19, 2015
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr, called to order the pre council meeting of the Perry City Council held May 19, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: Mayor Pro Tempore Phyllis Bynum-Grace.

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

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

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Ms. Joy Fowler – Perry Leadership Institute and Catherine Edgemon – Perry Main Street Coordinator

Media: None

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

4. Proclamation(s)/Presentation(s)

Mr. Aaron advised the winners of the *Why Should I Recycle* essay would be presented plaques and certificates.

5. Appointments to Boards/Commissions/Authorities

Perry Public Arts Commission – Council Members King, Jackson and Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace advised they were still working on their appointment selections.

Perry Main Street Advisory Board – A discussion was held concerning the number of nominations to available slots. It was the consensus of Council to hold the extra nomination until the end of the year when one of the terms expires.

10a. Matters referred from May 18, 2015 work session

1. Authorize the write off of taxes - Ms. King provided a background on the situation noting the owner of a company died, the family continued the operation for a period of time, but then did not renew the business license or pay the taxes. She also advised Houston County Tax Commissioner Kushinka had relieved them.

10b. Award of Bid(s):

1. Bid No. 2015-24 Fire Alarm and Security System. Fire Marshall Stanton reviewed the bids received with the recommendation to accept the overall low bid. Mr. Gilmour advised there may be some improvements to the City Hall in the near future and recommended Council take no action on that portion of the bid.
2. Bid No. 2015-24-30 Worrall Community Center HVAC replacement. Mr. Aaron advised two bids were received and staff recommended the low bid from Hoke's Heating and Air.

- 10c. Appoint an architect to prepare documents and specifications for phase 2 of the Perry Arts Center improvements. Mr. Gilmour stated that requests were sent out to four (4) architectural companies, but only one response was received. Based on information from City Attorney Walker, it is acceptable to go forward with only one bid. The documents will include plans for expanding the Community Room, new restrooms and new windows.

4. Council Member Items:

Council Member King reminded Council that a splash pad was to be considered for Creekwood Park and would like to see the project moved forward soon. It was the consensus of Council to move forward with the project.

Council Member Jones stated he would like the Jernigan Street sidewalk added to the project list as there are sections between Carroll and Main Street which are in very poor condition.

5. Department Head Items:

Chief Lynn announced that the Traffic Enforcement Network would be in Houston County May 28, 29 and 30 and specifically in Perry on May 29th. They will be in multiple locations.

Mr. Beecham relayed that the Oliver Place apartment complex had submitted their plans and they were being reviewed by staff.

Mr. Smith spoke with the Loudermilk Companies regarding the speed limit changes and lighting in the Ag Village area and they are agreeable to the changes. The City rights of way were worked out so that the lights received will be in the City rights of way. The regional Main Street meeting is scheduled to be held in Perry on July 30th with the final location to be determined based on the number of people making reservations. Mr. Smith has also been working on updating the Economic Development web pages and encouraged Council to look them over.

Mr. Aaron stated this was day two of Public Works week and the department did team building with a litter pick up along Macon Road. Council Member Jackson advised someone had thrown a bag of trash along Perimeter Road; Mr. Aaron stated the department would take care of it. Council Member Walker asked for a status report on the new policy for apartment complexes. Mr. Aaron said it was going well.

Mayor Faircloth entertained a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of personnel.

6. Executive Session entered at 5:37 p.m. On a motion by Council Member Hunt, seconded by Council Member Walker and carried unanimously, Council went into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel.
7. Executive Session adjourned at 5:49 p.m.; Council's pre council meeting reconvened. Council adjourned the Executive Session held May 19, 2015 and reconvened into the Council's pre council meeting.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2015-35 stating the purpose of the executive session held May 19, 2015 was for the purpose of personnel. On a motion by Council Member Jackson, seconded by Council Member King and carried unanimously, adopted Resolution No. 2015-35 stating the purpose of the Executive Session held May 19, 2015 was for personnel. (*Resolution 2015-35 has been entered in the City's official book of record.*)
9. Adjournment: With no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the pre council meeting held May 19, 2015 at 5:50 p.m.; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.