

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
June 16, 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 June 18, 2015 at 6:05 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: None

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney Matthew Hulbert and Recording Clerk, Cyndi Houser

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

Guest(s)/Speakers: Ms. Susan Scragg; Mr. David Grossnickle, Mr. Penrose Wolf and Minister Mary Lou Simon and Mr. Edward Simon

Media: Douglas Taylor – Channel 100; Kristin Moriarty – Houston Home Journal

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Pastor Robert Jones, Grace Church, gave the invocation and Council Member Willie King led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Appointment(s) to Boards/Commissions/Authorities: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

- Perry Public Arts Commission – Appointments still pending
- Perry Tree Board – Appointments still pending

5. Citizens with input:

None

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

6a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the June 1, 2015 work session, June 2, 2015 pre council meeting, June 2, 2015 council meeting, and June 8, 2015 budget work session.

Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace moved to accept the minutes of the June 1, 2015 work session, June 2, 2015 pre council meeting, June 2, 2015 council meeting, and June

8, 2015 budget work session. Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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

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

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance granting the City of Perry's approval for Jointly Owned Natural Gas to enter into a franchise agreement with Macon-Bibb County.

Adopted Ordinance 2015-12 granting the City of Perry's approval for Jointly Owned Natural Gas to enter into a franchise agreement with Macon-Bibb County. Council Member Jones moved to adopt the ordinance as submitted. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance 2015-12 has been entered in the City's official book of record.*)

2. **Second Reading** of an ordinance adopting FY16 Operating Budget for the City of Perry.

Adopted Ordinance 2015-13 adopting FY16 Operating Budget for the City of Perry. Council Member King moved to adopt the ordinance as submitted. Council Member Walker seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance 2015-13 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.- None
- 8b. Council Members - None
- 8c. City Manager Lee Gilmour - None
- 8d. City Attorney Matthew Hulbert - None

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

9a. Matters referred from June 15, 2015 work session and June 16, 2015 pre council meeting.

1. Grant permission to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources to place a directional sign in the City right-of-way. Mr. Aaron presented a request from the Department of Natural Resources to place a directional/informational sign in the City's westbound right-of-way at the intersection of Highway 41S and Perry Parkway. The sign would direct the public to the Flat Creek fishing area. Council Member Hunt moved to allow the Department of Natural Resources to place a directional sign in the City right-of-way at the intersection of Highway 41S and Perry Parkway. Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

9b. Resolutions(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

1. Resolution to amend the City of Perry Fee Schedule

Adopted Resolution 2015-38 amending the City of Perry Fee Schedule. Mayor Faircloth presented for Council's consideration the amended fee schedule for FY16. Council Member Walker moved to accept the amended fee schedule as submitted. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution 2015-38 has been entered in the City's official book of record.*)

9c. Perry Main Street items for consideration:

- Approval to change the operational hours of the Perry Farmers' Market
- Approval of the Perry Farmers' Market contract.

Based on discussion in the pre-council meeting, Mayor Faircloth requested these items be tabled until further information is received. Council Member Randall Walker moved to table the Perry Main Street items until Ms. Edgemon can meet with Main Street Advisory Board and Ms. Jodi Daley for possible modifications. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

9d. Approval of Task Order 23 to Constantine Engineering relative to professional and technical engineering services for the Perry 2015 Sewer I&I Flow Study. Mr. Gilmour stated the Task Order is part of an ongoing process to determine where water is coming into the lines and then repairs can be adjusted accordingly. Administration recommended approval. It will be paid from SPLOST funds. Council Member Hunt moved to approve Task Order 23 for a maximum amount of \$26,700 in order to complete the items listed. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

9e. Approval of a request from Greater Union Baptist Church to block Marion Street from Carroll Street to Main Street to host a Vacation Bible School Party on June 19th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Chief Lynn presented the request from Greater Union Baptist Church advising Council the Police Department had reviewed the area and determined it would not affect traffic. Council Member King moved to approve the closure of Marion Street between Carroll Street and Main Street on June 19, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in order for Greater Union Baptist Church to host a Vacation Bible School Party. Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10. Department Head Items.

Chief Gray had no report.

Chief Lynn noted the Georgia Association of Police Chiefs held their most recent executive board meeting at the Guardian Center where they also received a tour.

Mr. Beecham advised the Planning Commission will be reviewing the sign ordinance at their next meeting.

Mr. Aaron reported the Public Works staff has been carrying extra water in order to stay hydrated during the high temperature days. He is also working on a safety manual for his department in conjunction with the Safety Committee's project of revising the current City Safety Manual.

Ms. Edgemon announced that a branding survey has been sent out.

12. Council Member Items:

None

13. Mayor Items:

- June 23rdth – Walk with Mayor and Council in District 2 at Cameron Court beginning at 5:30 pm. Water will be available.
- June 18th – The Chamber of is hosting a candidate forum for the House of Representatives seat for District 146 at the Board of Education beginning at 6:00 p.m.
- June 17th – Ribbon cutting will be held at 4 pm for Gilbert Photography and Bridal.
- June 17th - Extended condolences to the Marc Martin family; Mr. Martin's funeral is scheduled for First Baptist Church in Perry.

14. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the regular council meeting held on June 16, 2015, Council Member Jackson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.