

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
August 4, 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 August 4, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: None

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

City Departmental Staffing: Michael Beecham – Director of Community Development, Captain William Phelps – Perry Police Department, Battalion Chief Robbie Rowell – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Decius Aaron – Director of Public Works Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Robert Smith – Economic Development Director and Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): None

Media: Laura Corley and Wayne Crenshaw – Macon Telegraph

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

3a. Discussion of August 4, 2015 council meeting agenda.

9a.(1) Second Reading of an ordinance to amend the FY 16 Operating Budget. Mr. Gilmour advised this ordinance is to amend the FY 16 Operating Budget to include funding for the Perry Music Festival.

11a.(1) Resolution establishing travel guidelines. Mr. Gilmour advised the resolution is to amend the travel guidelines.

11d. Approval of the health/dental coverage for plan year 09-01-15 thru 08-31-16. Mr. Gilmour briefed Council on the particulars of the health/dental coverage plan.

11e. Approval of Change Orders:

- Change Order 1 for Courtney Hodges lighting project
- Change Order 2 for Commerce Street lighting and sidewalk project

Mr. Aaron advised changed Order 1 is for the change out of 56 poles from metal halide to LED and the installation of three additional poles in the amount of \$34,150.62 with a 120 day time extension. Change Order 2 is for the change out of 18 poles from metal halide to LED in the amount of \$7,455.78 with a 120 day time extension.

11f. Perry Music Festival Items:

- Approval to block a portion of Martin Luther King Jr. Drive for the 2015 Perry Music Festival scheduled for September 19, 2015
- Approval of a special event alcoholic beverage permit for the Perry Music Festival

Ms. Warren advised Mayor and Council of the request to block a portion of Martin Luther King Jr. Drive and approval of a special event alcoholic beverage permit for the Perry Music Festival.

11g. Approval of the LMIG priority list.

Mr. Aaron reviewed the recommended street resurfacing list prepared by Mr. Deal.

- 3b. Form Based Code RFP – M. Beecham. Mr. Beecham advised the firms LSL and TSW submitted proposals. The Perry Planning Commission reviewed the proposals and recommended TSW. The Commission inquired if the cost could be broken down by area and asked for costs for Downtown, General Courtney Hodges Boulevard and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. TWS provided costs for the three areas: General Courtney Hodges Boulevard - \$27,360; Downtown - \$13,835; Martin Luther King Jr. Drive - \$11,940. The Commission recommended General Courtney Hodges Boulevard as the top priority. Administration recommended to Mayor and Council to proceed with Courtney Hodges Boulevard in the amount of \$27,360 and to do it in conjunction with the Community Improvement District. Council concurred to proceed.

4. Council Member Items:

Council Members Jackson and Jones had no reports.

Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace asked for an update on Westwood Trailer Park and the time frame for completion. Mr. Aaron advised a storm drainage pipe was repaired last week. Mr. Beecham stated Mr. Mullis time frame for the completion of the work is approximately the first of September.

Council Member Hunt stated we are not doing enough to encourage people to not litter; we need to tighten up on the ordinance.

Council Member King inquired about a splash pad for Creekwood Park. It was the consensus of Council to proceed with the process to implement a splash pad. Council Member King advised a renter was disappointed with her rental at Creekwood Park. Mr. Dye addressed Council Member King's concerns.

Council Member Walker recommended finishing up the trail from Rotary Centennial Park to Larry Walker Parkway. Council concurred with finishing up the trail.

No reports from Mr. Gilmour and Attorney Walker.

5. Department Head Items:

No reports from Mr. Dye, Mr. Smith, Mr. Beecham, Battalion Chief Rowell and Captain Phelps.

Ms. King advised she would be conducting interviews on Thursday and Friday for the accounting technician position.

Mr. Aaron stated Mr. Newberry is scheduled to be discharged this afternoon.

Mayor Faircloth shared with Council a letter from Georgia Transmission relative to overhead transmission lines.

6. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held on August 3, 2015, Council Member Walker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m.; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.