

**MINUTES**  
**PRE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
**September 15, 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 September 15, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

Elected Officials Present: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.; Council Members Randall Walker, William Jackson, Robert Jones, 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, Annie Warren

City Departmental Staffing: Michael Beecham – Director of Community Development, Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Joel Gray – 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): Davis Cosey

Media: Laura Corley– Macon Telegraph and Jake Jacobs – Houston Home Journal

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

3a. Discussion of September 15, 2015 council meeting agenda. Mayor Faircloth reviewed the September 15, 2015 council meeting agenda.

7a. Petition for Re-zoning Application No. R-15-04. Mr. Beecham reviewed the request and stated the planning commission recommended approval of the application. Mr. Gilmour suggested including these parcels in the downtown district. It was the consensus of Council to have staff contact the property owners relative to being included in the downtown district and proceed with the process.

7b. Establish 2015 ad valorem rate for the City of Perry. Mr. Gilmour stated this will be the official public hearing for the 2015 ad valorem millage rate for the City of Perry.

11a. (1). Consider approval of the City of Perry Wayfinding Plan. Mr. Smith reported no changes in the City of Perry Wayfinding Plan from last evening's presentation.

11d.(2) Award of Bid(s) - Idle Pines Drainage Ditch. Mr. Gilmour recommended rejecting all bids because the low bidder did not meet bid qualifications and the high bidder was beyond budget.

11f. Requests from the Perry Downtown Merchants Association for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sweets and Treats on Downtown Streets on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Chief Lynn reported after reviewing the streets closure request, staff recommended closing Main Street to Commerce Street in addition to the streets listed in the original request.

3b. Animal Control Facility Issue.

Mr. Cosey reported on his findings relative to the donation offer of a modular unit for the animal control facility. Council Member Walker discussed possible issues/concerns with accepting the modular unit for use at the animal control facility. It was the consensus of Council to accept the donation of the modular unit for the animal control facility.

4. Council Member Items:

Council Member King asked for an update on Westwood Trailer Parker. Mr. Beecham advised the road is unpaved and he has spoken to the City Attorney to proceed with the next step in the process.

Council Member Hunt inquired about the policy/procedure relative to delivery truck drivers leaving their vehicles parked in the roadway while making deliveries. Chief Lynn advised it is a common practice for stop and go deliveries.

Council Members Jones, Walker and Jackson had no reports.

No report from Mr. Gilmour

No report from Attorney Walker

5. Department Head Items:

No reports from Chief Gray, Chief Lynn, Mr. Beecham and Mr. Dye.

Ms. King reported the newly hired employee in customer service will begin work on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Aaron reported that he had a conversation with Advance Disposal and the company will now collect refrigerators and freezers.

Mr. Smith's items:

- Directed Mayor and Council's attention to a letter from Mike Vinson requesting permission to have a classic car "cruise in" in downtown on October 24<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm – 8 pm.
- CID meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm at the former Jaycees Building.
- 41NBC live broadcast from downtown Perry on September 17<sup>th</sup> at 11am.

6. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held on September 15, 2015, Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 p.m.; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.