

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
January 5, 2016
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro Tempore Bynum-Grace called to order the pre council meeting of the Perry City Council held January 5, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

Elected Officials Present: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.; Mayor Pro Tempore Phyllis Bynum-Grace; Council Members Randall Walker, Willie King, William Jackson, Robert Jones 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: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Joel Gray – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Robert Smith – Economic Development Director, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Decius Aaron – Director of Public Works Department and Catherine Edgemon – Main Street Coordinator.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): None

Media: Cheri Adams and Jake Jacobs – Houston Home Journal

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

3a. Discussion of January 5, 2016 council meeting agenda.

Mayor Faircloth arrived and presided over the meeting.

7b. Mayor/Council Joint Appointments. Mayor and Council discussed their joint appointments to the Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority and Perry Main Street Advisory Board.

12b(1). Bid No. 2016-13 Tucker Road sidewalk extension. Mr. Gilmour reported the sidewalk extension would be funded from SPLOST12.

12c. Approval of the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan – Chief J. Gray/Chief J. Williams. Chief Gray noted the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan is renewed every five years.

12d. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Georgia Department of

Community Affairs relative to the Georgia Classic Main Street Program. Ms. Edgemon explained the MOU is a requirement each year of the Georgia Classic Main Street Program.

12e. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Houston County Board of Commissioners relative to reimbursement of the Perry-Houston County Airport expansion costs. Mayor Faircloth reviewed the agreement and noted an error relative to payments; the agreement should read annual payments not bi-annual payments. Council will approve a modified MOU agreement of annual payments June 1st of each year until payment is made in full.

3b. Discussion of the proposed sign ordinance. Mr. Gilmour reviewed his memo to Mayor and Council dated December 2, 2015. After discussion, Mr. Gilmour advised Council that an amended proposed sign ordinance will be provided to Council at their January 11th called work session.

3c. Discussion of proposed charge for non-compliance with Certificate of Appropriateness in the downtown district. Mr. Gilmour requested Council's approval to impose a \$200 charge to owners/businesses in the downtown district not abiding by the requirement pertaining to signage and façade improvements. Administration recommended sending a notice to the existing businesses and property owners about the process for non-compliance. Council concurred to move forward with the process.

4. Council Member Items:

Council had no reports.

5. Department Head Items:

Ms. King reported the audit is complete and will be mailed tomorrow.

Chief Lynn, Chief Gray, Mr. Aaron, Mr. Dye and Mr. Smith had no reports.

6. Adjournment: With no further business to come before the Council, Council Member King motioned to adjourn the January 5, 2016 pre council meeting at 5:42 p.m.; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

