

MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
October 31, 2016
5:03 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. called to order the work session meeting held October 31, 2016 at 5:03 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: None

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

City Departmental Staffing: Major William Phelps – Police Department, Decius Aaron – Director of Public Works, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services, Brenda King – Director of Administration, and Fire Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services.

Guest(s) / Speaker(s): Ashley Hamsley, Sam Perren, Robert Betzel and Mike Baker

Media: Kristin Moriarty - Houston Home Journal

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

3a. Discussion of Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority member qualifications – Mr. L. Gilmour. Mr. Gilmour reviewed his memo to Mayor and Council relative to the Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority member qualifications and recommended asking the local delegation to amend the Act to state the two (2) at- large positions be from the hospitality industry. Ms. Hamsley supported Mr. Gilmour's recommendation. It was the consensus of Council to proceed with Administration's recommendation of asking the local delegation to amend the Act to state the two (2) at- large positions be from the hospitality industry.

3b. Review recommendation for City of Perry VoIP phone system RFP – Ms. B. King. Ms. King presented Mr. Sam Perren and Mr. Robert Betzel to mayor and council relative to the recommendation for the City of Perry VoIP phone system RFP. Mr. Betzel provided a synopsis of the response review and opinion of the RFP and stated the committee recommended awarding the VoIP phone service contract to ComSouth. Council Member Hunt inquired about the

funding for this project. Mr. Gilmour stated the initial funds would come from General Capital Project Funds and then the leasing would come from the General Fund. Mayor Faircloth directed this item be placed on tomorrow's council agenda for a vote.

- 3c. Discuss landscaping plan review RFP's – Mr. L. Gilmour. Mr. Gilmour followed up with Mayor and Council relative to a RFP for non-residential landscape design services. The proposal provided two areas of review, non-residential site plans and review codes. Twelve RFP's were sent out and two responses were received. Both proposals met all requirements of the RFP and Administration recommended proceeding with Widner & Associates, Inc. for the difference in time it is more inexpensive. The fees would be paid for by the developer/builder as part of the regular process. Mayor Faircloth requested this item be placed on tomorrow's council agenda for a vote.
- 3d. Discuss possible SPLOST projects – Mr. L. Gilmour. Mr. Gilmour stated he would like to use the proposed projects as examples for potential projects to be funded by the upcoming SPLOST and the SPLOST monies in these particular areas be used for full or partial debt service. Mr. Gilmour would also like to present from the City of Perry the upgrade for public safety radio communication devices be a county-wide expense. Council concurred to proceed with Administration's recommendation.
- 3e. Consider establishing an apprentice program for the Department of Public Works – Mr. D. Aaron. Mr. Aaron presented for Mayor and Council's consideration an apprenticeship program. Council concurred tabling this item until a new Director of Public Works is hired.

4. Council Member Items:

Mayor Pro Tempore Walker and Council Members Hunt, King, and Jackson had no reports.

Council Member Bynum-Grace expressed her concerns relative to a hole at Westwood Trailer Park. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker suggested going to the owner and asking him to repair the hole. Mr. Gilmour will ask Mr. Howard to speak to Mr. Mullins about repairing the hole.

Council Member Jones stated he has received several calls relative to speeding on Tucker Road between Frank Satterfield Road and Tucker Elementary School.

Mr. Gilmour asked Council if they wanted to go through the normal process to fill the Director of Public Works position. Council concurred proceeding with the normal process.

Attorney Walker had no report.

5. Department Head Items:

Ms. King, Major Phelps and Chief Parker had no reports.

Mr. Dye

- November 18th, Fall movie night
- November 19th, Rotary Football Classic
- An Eagle Scout has completed his bench project at Rotary Centennial Park

Mr. Aaron announced a stormwater survey would be coming out soon and the Fall clean-up was successful.

Mayor Faircloth thanked Mr. Aaron for his service to the City and community.

6. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the work session held October 31, 2016 Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 p.m.; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.