

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
April 5, 2022
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held April 5, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Randall Walker; Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King, and Council Members Phyllis Bynum-Grace, Joy Peterson, Robert Jones and Riley Hunt and Darryl Albritton.

Elected Official Absent: none

City Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney Brooke Newby, Assistant City Manager Robert Smith, and Recording Clerk Annie Warren.

Departmental Staffing: Brenda King – Director of Administration, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Captain Alan Everidge – Police Department, Chief Lee Parker - Fire and Emergency Services Department, Sedrick Swan – Director of Leisure Services, Ansley Fitzner – Public Works Superintendent, Holly Wharton – Community Planner, and Tabitha Clark – Communications Administrator.

Media: William Oliver – Houston Home Journal

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Laura Mathis (MGRC) and Robbin Jackson

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Mayor Pro Tempore King rendered the invocation and Council Member Jones led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Recognition(s) / Presentation(s): Mayor Randall Walker

4a. Recognition of Perry University graduates – Mayor Walker and Ms. T. Clark.

Mayor Walker and Ms. Clark recognized graduates of the Perry University with certificates. The graduates were: Allison Bearden, Zandi Blythe, Susan Dagit, Lisa Franklin, Brandy Green, Sarah Sullivan, Tina Ward, and Dawn Scott.

5. Community Partner(s) Update(s): none

6. Citizens with Input.

Mr. Robbin Jackson inquired about the timeframe of completion for the Houston Lake Drive / Sunshine Avenue project. Mr. Gilmour stated the project

should be completed by the end of April. Mr. Jackson asked if any homes would be destroyed, Mr. Gilmour advised no.

7. PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:11 P.M. Mayor Randall Walker called to order a public hearing at 6:11 p.m. to provide any interested parties with an opportunity to express their views and concerns in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-66-4.

- 7a. SUSE-004-2022. Applicant, Lannette Tomlin, request a special exception to allow a short-term residential rental. The property is located at 1107 Sunset Alley; Tax Map No. oP0090 060000 – Ms. H. Wharton.

Staff Report: Ms. Wharton reviewed the Special Exception request to allow short-term rental. The Planning Commission and staff recommends approval of the special exception with the following conditions: 1) The special exception is limited to the current owners of the subject property, Lannette and Michael Tomlin, and is not transferable, 2) the special exception is limited to short-term rental of the existing house for up to six (6) guests at any given time, 3) the property owner must obtain and maintain an annual City of Perry Occupational Tax Certificate for the duration of time in which the subject property is offered for short-term rental, 4) the property owner shall remit all required taxes and fees associated with the short-term rental as required by law, and 5) failure of the property owner and its guests to comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws may result in the suspension or revocation of this special exception.

Public Input: Mayor Walker called for any public input for or against the application.

For: Michael Tomlin, 1006 North Davis, spoke in favor of the Special Exception

Against: none

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT 6:18 P.M. Mayor Walker closed the public hearing at 6:18 p.m.

8. Review of Minutes: Mayor Randall Walker

- 8a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the March 14, 2022 work session, March 15, 2022 pre council meeting, March 15, 2022 council meeting and March 22, 2022 strategic plan meeting. (*Mayor Pro Tempore King was absent from the March 22, 2022 strategic plan meeting*)

Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. Council Member Peterson seconded the motioned and it carried with Mayor Pro Tempore King abstaining from the March 22, 2022 meeting.

9. Old Business: Mayor Randall Walker

- 9a. Mayor Randall Walker - none
9b. Council Members - none

- 9c. City Attorney Brooke Newby - none
- 9d. City Manager Lee Gilmour - none
- 9e. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith - none

10. New Business: Mayor Randall Walker

10a. Matters referred from April 4, 2022 work session and April 5, 2022 pre council meeting.

- 1. Resolution establishing City of Perry Youth Advisory Council – Mr. R. Smith.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-20 establishing City of Perry Youth Advisory Council. Council Member Jones motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Council Member Peterson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2022-20 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

10b. Special Exception Application 004-2022 – Mr. B. Wood.

Council Member Peterson motioned to approve with the conditions outlined by the Planning Commission; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10c. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

- 1. Resolution adopting the 2023-2027 City of Perry Strategic Plan – Mr. R. Smith.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-21 the 2023-2027 City of Perry Strategic Plan. Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to adopt the resolution as presented; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2022-21 has been entered into the City's official book of record).*

10d. Selection of a voting delegate for the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia Annual Election – Mr. L. Gilmour.

Adopted Resolution No. 2022-22 appointing Mayor Walker as the voting delegate and Council Member Peterson as the alternate to the 2022 Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia Annual Election Committee. Mr. Gilmour stated each year Council is requested to designate a voting delegate and an alternate to the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia Annual Election Committee. Administration recommends Council follow the standard process and designate the Mayor as the voting delegate and Council Member Peterson as the alternate since Mayor Pro Tempore King cannot attend this year. Mayor Walker entertained a motion to approve the resolution as outlined by Administration. Council Member Jones motioned to approve the resolution as outlined; Mayor Pro Tempore King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

(Resolution No. 2022-22 has been entered into the City's official book of record).

- 10e. Approval of Professional Services Agreement with GWES for Infrastructure Expansion 2022-2023 Program Management - Ms. B. Newby.

Council Member Jones motioned to approve the Professional Services Agreement with GWES for Infrastructure Expansion 2022-2023 Program Management as presented; Mayor Pro Tempore King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11. Council Members Items:

Council had no reports.

Mr. Gilmour, Ms. Newby, and Mr. Smith had no reports.

12. Department Heads/Staff Items:

Mr. Wood thanked Ms. Clark, Ms. Turpin, Ms. Wharton, Mr. Hicks, Ms. Fitzner and staff, and the volunteers for all of their work with the Perry Trash Dash.

Mr. Swan advised Council of the survey for Middle/High School students of what they want to do this summer.

13. General Public Items: none

14. Mayor Items:

- April 9-10, Dogwood Festival
- April 16, Special Needs Egg Hunt / Police Department Pop-up Event
- April 18, Work Session
- April 19, Pre Council & Council

15. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular meeting held on April 5, 2022, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m. Mayor Pro Tempore King seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.