

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
January 15, 2019
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held January 15, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Officials Absent: None

City Staff: Assistant City Manager Robert Smith, Assistant City Attorney Josh Waters, and Recording Clerk Regan Scott.

City Staff Absent: City Manager Lee Gilmour

Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Brenda King – Director of Finance, Mitchell Worthington – Assistant Director of Finance, Ashley Hardin – Director of Economic Development, and Annie Warren – City Clerk.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Darlene McLendon, Darrien Woolfolk, Fred Anderson, Tara McInvale, Annette Gentry, Philip Garner, Marc McInvale.

Media: Christine Hawley – Houston Home Journal, and Kellie McWilliams – ComSouth 100

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

Council Member Willie King rendered the invocation and Council Member Riley Hunt led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Selection of 2019 Mayor Pro-Tempore: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

Council Member Jones motioned to select Council Member Walker to serve as Mayor Pro-Tempore. Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0; Council Member Walker abstained.

Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. presented Mayor Pro Tempore Walker with a plaque to commemorate the City of Perry's appreciation for his service as Mayor Pro-Tempore in 2018.

5. Community Partner(s) Update(s): Ms. Darlene McLendon of Perry Chamber of Commerce invited all to attend the Annual Meeting of Perry Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, January 23rd from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Perry Arts Center. Ms. McLendon also advised that Business After Hours would take place at the Perry Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, January 24th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

6. Citizens with Input:

Darrien Woolfolk, 926 Jeannie Street, expressed gratitude and congratulations to all involved with the Buzzard Drop event in downtown Perry. Ms. Woolfolk also thanked Perry Police Department for their excellent service in 2018.

Fred Anderson, 102 Oxford Court, shared concerns regarding the establishment of a multifamily dwelling in close proximity to Cheshire Place subdivision at 1820 Macon Road. Mr. Anderson asked Council to consider the best interests of residents of Cheshire Place.

Tara McInvale, 119 Windermere Circle, reiterated concerns about the multifamily dwelling project on Macon Road. Ms. McInvale reminded Council that the developer is a company from Valdosta, not from the local area.

Annette Gentry, 205 Inverness Drive, shared concerns about the traffic from heavy equipment moving in and out of Legacy II subdivision. Ms. Gentry asked Council for help rerouting construction traffic away from homes in Cheshire.

Philip Garner on behalf of Jack James, 210 Windermere Drive, also expressed opposition to the multifamily dwelling project at 1820 Macon Road.

Marc McInvale, 119 Windermere Circle, reiterated concerns about proposed multifamily dwelling at 1820 Macon Road.

7. PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:21 P.M. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. called to order a public hearing at 6:21 p.m. to provide any interested parties with an opportunity to express their views and concerns in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-67A-3 (c).

7a. Proposed Amendment to Land Management Ordinance. Applicant, The City of Perry, requests a text amendment establishing a minimum house size in R-Ag, R-1, R-2A, R-2, and R-3 zones in Perry.

Public Input: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. called for any public input for or against the amendment.

For: None

Opposed: None

Mr. Wood stated that the proposed amendment would establish a minimum house size of 1,200 sq. ft. in the R-Ag, R-1, and R-2A districts and a 900 sq. ft. minimum house size for the R-2 and R-3 districts with potential for Special Exceptions through the Planning Commission.

Public Hearing closed at 6:25 p.m. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. closed the public hearing at 6:25 p.m.

8. Review of Minutes: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

- 8a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of December 18, 2018 pre council meeting, and December 18, 2018 council meeting. *(Council Member Bynum-Grace was absent from December 18, 2018 meetings.)*

Council Member William Jackson motioned to accept the minutes as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried with Council Member Bynum-Grace abstaining.

9. Old Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

9a. Ordinance(s) for Second Reading(s) and Adoption:

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance amending alcohol beverage license distances in downtown district – Mr. R. Smith

Adopted Ordinance No. 2019-01 amending alcohol beverage license distances in downtown district. Council Member Bynum-Grace moved to adopt the ordinance as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously. *(Ordinance No. 2019-01 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*

2. **Second Reading** of an ordinance to amend FY 2019 Operating Budget – Mr. R. Smith

Adopted Ordinance No. 2019-02 amending FY 2019 Operating Budget. Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker moved to adopt the ordinance as submitted; Council Member William Jackson seconded and it carried unanimously. *(Ordinance No. 2019-02 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*

10. Any Other Old Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

- 10a. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. – None
10b. Council Members – None
10c. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith – None
10d. Assistant City Attorney Josh Waters – None

11. New Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

11a. Matters referred from January 14, 2019 work session and January 15, 2019 pre council meeting. None

11b. Ordinance(s) for First Readings and Introduction:

1. **First Reading** of a text amendment establishing a minimum house size – Mr. B. Wood. *(No action required by Council)*

11c. Award of Bid(s):

1. Bid No. 2019-15 Utility Vehicle – Economic Development – Mr. M. Worthington

Mr. Worthington presented for Council's consideration an award of bid for a new utility vehicle. Of the four responders, staff recommended the low bidder, Perry Ford, for \$19,496.34 for the purchase of a Ford Escape. Council Member King moved to award the bid to Perry Ford for \$19,496.34; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. Sinclair Station stabilization project – Mr. M. Worthington

Mr. Worthington presented for Council's consideration an award of bid for the Sinclair Station stabilization project. Of the two responders, staff recommended the low bidder, McWright, LLC, for \$118,575.00. Mr. Worthington noted that this bid was originally submitted in March 2018 and that McWright, LLC, intends to honor the bid as is. Council Member Bynum-Grace moved to award the bid to McWright, LLC for \$118,575.00; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried with Council Member Hunt opposing.

12. Other Business/Supplemental Agenda: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

12a. Authorization to Execute Documents to proceed with financing options for certain capital purchases with State Bank & Trust Company. Ms. King indicated during the pre council meeting that she would like to ask for a motion to table this item for further study and more information. Council Member Jones moved to table the item; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

12b. Resolutions for Consideration and Adoption

1. Resolution authorizing the City's purchase of real property for public road purposes – Assistant City Attorney Waters.

Adopted Resolution No. 2019-02 authorizing the City's purchase of real property for public road purposes. Administration recommends the purchase of real property Lot 17, Block K of Woodland subdivision, Phase 2, Section 1, Land Lot 215 of City of Perry. This land is necessary for public use in connection with public road purposes. Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker moved to adopt the resolution as submitted; Council Member Jones

seconded and the motion carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2019-02 has been entered into the City's official book of record.*)

12c. Motion appointing Walker, Hulbert, Gray & Moore, LLP as City Attorney.
Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker moved to appoint Walker, Hulbert, Gray & Moore, LLP as City Attorney with contact staff being Ms. Brooke Newby and Mr. Josh Waters. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

13. Council Member Items:

Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker, Council Members Bynum-Grace, Hunt, Jackson, Jones, and King had no reports.

Assistant City Manager Smith and Assistant City Attorney Waters had no reports.

14. Department Heads/Staff Items:

Ms. King, Ms. Warren, Mr. Worthington, and Chief Parker had no reports.

Mr. Wood stated that City of Perry issued 314 new single family dwelling residential permits in 2018, totaling \$56.9M in construction. So far in 2019, 23 new single family dwelling permits have been issued.

Ms. Hardin stated that the soft launch of the Your Perry mobile app has been going very well. The official launch will be next week but anyone can download the mobile app now through iPhone App Store and Google Play Store.

Chief Lynn reminded all that the Martin Luther King Jr. march will be held in Perry on Monday, January 21st, starting at 8:30 a.m. from Oldfield Baptist Church. All are welcome to attend the event. It will finish at New Hope Baptist Church with breakfast and a program.

15. General Public Items:

Mr. Robbin Jackson, City of Perry resident, asked all to participate in the grand reopening of the Green Derby restaurant. Details coming soon.

16. Mayor Items:

- Next Council meetings will be held the 1st and 3rd weeks in February
- Georgia Municipal Association has continuing education courses, check the site for information
- Happy New Year to all

17. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in regular meeting held January 15, 2019, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m.; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.