

**MINUTES**  
**PRE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
**March 3, 2020**  
**5:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the pre council meeting held March 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: none

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

Departmental Staffing: Byran Wood – Director of Community Development, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Mitchell Worthington – Director of Finance, Tabitha Clark – Communications Manager, Anya Turpin – Special Events Coordinator, Maria Herrera – Executive Secretary and Vickie Graham – Customer Service Representative

Media: Lauren Harris – Houston Home Journal

Guests: Sherry and Jeff Kurtz, Ellen Palmer and Miller Edwards

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor Randall Walker

3a. Mauldin & Jenkins FY 2019 Audit Report. Mr. Edwards presented the annual audit to Mayor and Council. Mr. Edwards reported the General Fund is healthy, the Water/Sewer/Gas Funds are good strong operations and the Solid Waste / Stormwater Funds are doing fine. On the supplemental report, there was one finding due to substantial adjustments to the revenue receivables. Mr. Edwards stated overall the City had a good financial report.

3b. Discussion of March 3, 2020 council meeting agenda.

4a. Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority. Mayor Walker reviewed the recommended appointments to the Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority.

4b. Robins Environmental Advisory Board. Mayor Walker recommended appointing Ms. Kimberly Walsh to the Robins Environmental Advisory Board.

7a. RZNE-6-2020. Mr. Wood reported the text amendment is recommended by the Task Force to address the parking issue. The proposed amendment will increase the minimum right-of-way width in conservation subdivisions from 40 feet to 50 feet, and increase the front setback from 20 feet to 25 feet.

10a (1). Resolution naming a park. Mr. Gilmour reminded Council that at last evening work session there was discussion of names for Heritage Park. Mayor Walker entertained a recommendation to rename Heritage Park. Council Member Jones recommended the name Heritage Oaks Park. Council unanimously concurred with the name Heritage Oaks Park. Mayor Walker entertained a recommendation to name the new Park. Council Member Peterson recommended the name Wind Song Park. Council Members Bynum-Grace, Peterson and Mayor Pro Tempore King concurred with the name Wind Song Park. Council Member Jones, Hunt and Albritton concurred with the name Pine Needle Park. Mayor Walker stated if it became a tie, he would support the name Pine Needle Park.

10b. First Reading of RedSpeed Ordinance. Ms. Newby advised this ordinance creates an automated traffic safety system in school zones. Anyone traveling 10 miles or greater of the posted speed limit will receive a civil fine in the mail.

10c (1). Resolution to submit an application to the Department of Community Affairs for 2020 Community Development Block Grant. Mr. Wood advised this is a request to submit a Community Development Block Grant application to the Department of Community Affairs for \$748,000 and requesting \$10,000 City match. Mr. Wood provided a copy of the budget analysis and a map of the area.

10d (1). Bid No. 2020-29 City Park Fence Installation. Mr. Worthington recommended the low bid of \$25,913.00 by T&T Fencing Company, Inc.

10d (2). Bid No. 2020-31 Knuckleboom Loader. R. Worthington recommended the low bid of \$149,560.00 by Middle Ga Freightliner.

10f (1). The Perry Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting its 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dogwood Festival on April 18 & 19, 2020 in downtown Perry. Ms. Palmer reviewed the application and stated the only change is the sale of alcohol.

10f (2). The City of Perry Main Street Program is hosting its 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Downtown Merchant Progressive Wine Tasting event in downtown Perry on May 2, 2020. Ms. Turpin reviewed the application and advised the changes are: the dueling pianos and the event now falls under the Perry Main Street Program.

10f (3). The City of Perry Government is hosting Food Truck Friday event series April 3, May 8, June 12, July 10, August 14 and September 11 from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. in downtown. Ms. Turpin reviewed the application and advised no major changes.

10f (4). The City of Perry Government is hosting the Dogwood Derby on April 18, 2020 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Ms. Turpin reviewed the application and stated the event would be held in conjunction with the Perry Dogwood Festival.

4. Council Member Items:

Council had no items.

5. Department Head/Staff Items:

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

No items from Ms. King, Mr. Worthington, Ms. Clark and Ms. Turpin.

Mr. Wood reported the issuance of demolition permits for the two buildings the Methodist Church own at Main and Macon Road.

6. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held March 3, 2020, Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.