

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
March 19, 2019
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the pre council meeting of the Perry City Council held January 15, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Officials Absent: Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace.

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

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 Administration, Kevin Dye – Leisure Services Director, Mitchell Worthington – Assistant Director of Finance, Ashley Hardin – Director of Economic Development, Ansley Fitzner – Landscape Manager, Chad McMurrian – Lead Engineering Technician, and Haley Myers – Main Street Coordinator.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Ms. Brenda Howard, Mr. Dustin Graham, Ms. Lauren Fox, and Ms. Emily Macheski-Preston.

Media: Ms. Jada Dukes – Houston Home Journal

3. Items of Review/Discussion:

3a. Discussion of March 19, 2019 council meeting agenda.

4a. Recognition of Lt. Dave Minter, Firefighter/Paramedic Hunter Flourney, Firefighter Brock Snyder, and Firefighter Caleb Woods. Chief Parker requested to table this item until the next regular meeting.

7a. Alcohol License Application Second Reading and Adoption. Chief Lynn noted there are no issues with approval for the application.

7b. Special Exception Application 0001-2019: Mr. Wood stated that the planning commission had recommended denial of the application but that staff recommendation is to approve the application with three conditions:

1. Development of a multi-family residential development on the subject property shall substantially comply with the information provided by the applicant in this application for special exception, including the revised site plan presented at the public hearing held on March 5, 2019 and dated March 2019;
2. Stormwater management on the site shall comply with the applicant's "Preliminary Hydrology Analysis/Pond Design" prepared by Don E. Carter, P.E., dated March 5, 2019; and
3. In place of the proposed 6' wood privacy fence, the applicant shall install a 8' masonry privacy wall. Acceptable masonry finish is split-faced concrete block, brick, stone, hard-coat stucco.

Mayor Pro Tempore Walker requested that Mr. Wood review the Exception Standards in the regular council meeting.

9a (1). Authorize proceeding with improvements to Barbara Calhoun Park tennis courts as submitted by Parrish Construction. Ms. Fitzner provided an update on planned work at Calhoun Park. Advised that Parrish Construction entered a bid of \$444,485 to update the tennis courts. Council Member Hunt requested the addition of lines for pickleball.

9a (2). Resolution to amend the City's travel expenses policy. Mr. Gilmour stated the additions to the travel expenses policy were recommended by staff.

9a (3). Authorize the establishment of an Assistant Director of Leisure Services. Mr. Gilmour stated that the creation of the Assistant Director of Leisure Services position would be in line with providing successive supervision goals for the City. Council Member Hunt inquired if there would be an additional position at this time and Mr. Gilmour stated there would not be an additional position without explicit prior consent of Council.

9b (1). Bid No. 2019-13 Creekwood and Rozar Parks Playgrounds. Mr. Worthington provided an update on the number of bidders contacted and bids received for Creekwood and Rozar Park playgrounds. Recommended awarding the bid to Great Southern Recreation, LLC for \$297,584.

9b (2). Bid No. 2019-19 Construction Services 741 Main St. Mr. Worthington provided an update on the number of bidders contacted and bids received for construction services at 741 Main St. Recommended RJB & Associates Construction, Inc. for the amount of \$229,472.88.

9b (3). Bid No. 2019-122 City Park Landscape Maintenance. Mr. Worthington provided an update on the number of bidders contacted and bids received for the maintenance contract for city parks. Recommended the second lowest bidder, Allen Turf Landscaping, in the amount of \$46,970.

9c (1). Resolution to Submit an Application to Department of Community Affairs for 2019 Community Development Block Grant. Mr. Wood clarified that this is a request for Council's approval to submit the application for the Community Development Block Grant.

9c (2). Resolution adopting updates to Urban Redevelopment Plan and Revitalization Area Strategy. Mr. Wood stated that this plan has been prepared by Middle Georgia Regional Commission with input from staff and a grant administrator.

9c (3). Selection of a voting delegate for Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia – Annual Election. Mr. Gilmour stated that currently Mayor Faircloth and Council Member King are the voting delegates with Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia and Council may choose to continue as is or select different delegates.

9d. Approval of traffic control proposal relative to the intersection of Kings Chapel Road and Keith Drive. Mr. Gilmour advised that a four way stop can be implemented at the intersection of Kings Chapel Rd. and Keith Dr.; Council will need to vote to approve.

9e. Approval of engineering consultant for Community Development Block Grant. Mr. Wood stated that three proposals were received for the engineering consultant role in the administration of the Community Development Block Grant and recommended Georgia Water and Environmental Services.

9f. Consider approving Jointly Owned Natural Gas partnership becoming a commission. Mr. Gilmour requested feedback from Council members regarding this consideration. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker stated it is a great idea.

10a (1). Food Truck events, street closures, and special event alcohol permit. Ms. Myers reviewed the dates for this season's Food Truck Fridays (April 5, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9, and September 13) and the proposed street closures. Bodega Brew & Just Tap'd applied for special event alcohol permit licenses for the series.

10b (1). Resolution authorizing submission of an application to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs under the Revitalization Area Strategies Program. Mr. Wood stated that this resolution will authorize the submission of the application.

4. Council Member Items:

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

City Manager Gilmour and Assistant City Manager Smith had no reports.

City Attorney Waters had no reports.

5. Department Head/Staff Items:

Ms. Hardin reported that the Main Street Advisory Board and Downtown Development Authority met today for a planning refresher retreat.

Mr. Wood stated that Spring Cleanup will not be held in April this year, it will be held the first weekend in May.

Chief Parker stated that Fire and Emergency Services is prepared to donate the 1992 KME fire truck to City of Montezuma. He requested that a resolution be added to the next regular session's agenda.

Chief Lynn had no reports.

Mr. Dye, Ms. Fitzner, Ms. King, and Mr. Worthington had no reports.

Ms. Myers stated that the Mustache BBQ Bash was a successful event. It was the largest new 5k race in the area with over 300 participants and raised over \$7,000.

6. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held March 19, 2019, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourned the meeting at 5:29 p.m.; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.