

MINUTES
WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
April 2, 2018
5:03 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the work session meeting held April 2, 2018, at 5:03 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: Council Member Robert Jones

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

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services, Lt. Chris Sutcliff, Fire Marshall David Stanton, Tracy Hester – Chief Building Official, and Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager.

Guest(s)Speaker(s): Dan Rhoades, and Josh Waters

Media: James Simpson – Houston Home Journal

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

3a. Police Department

1. Active shooter presentation: Lt Sutcliff presented two videos relative to the active shooter program and had a Q & A session with Mayor and Council.

3b. Economic Development

1. Economic Development website. Mr. Smith reviewed the Department of Economic Development website and advised the website would be going live this week.

3c. Administration

1. Review the design build proposal for former Sinclair Station.
Administration reviewed the two responses for the Sinclair Station Rehab project. Administration reported McWright, LLC was the low bidder, \$118,575.00 for stabilization only and recommended demolition of the building instead. Mayor Faircloth directed Administration to contact the Perry Area Historical Society group and ask it to come to the next work session to discuss the amount of money that has been raised for the stabilization of the building.
2. Consider alternate signage for non-city maintained streets.
Administration recommended non-city streets/drives have a different color scheme than our standard green background with white lettering. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker suggested using a white background with red lettering and the wording "Private Drive" on the signs. It was the consensus of Council to move forward with Mayor Pro Tempore Walker's suggestion.

4. Council Member Items:

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

Council Member King discussed the potholes on city streets.

Council Member Hunt asked for an update on the Perry Arts Center. Mr. Hester provided the update.

5. Department Head/Staff Items:

City Manager Gilmour had no report.

Assistant City Manager Smith reported the Spring Neighborhood Clean-up is April 21, at Hafley Park.

Assistant City Attorney Hulbert reported the City closed on three properties today and introduced Josh Waters, who will be joining the firm on April 16.

Mr. Waters stated he looks forward to working with everyone.

Ms. Warren, Chief Lynn, and Ms. Palmer had no reports.

Mr. Hester reported last month hit a record of thirty-eight single home permits.

Ms. King reported the City is two months out from June 2 tax sale and there is less than \$120,000 in taxes to collect.

Mr. Dye

- April 21, Kids Fishing Rodeo
- April 10, Kick off of Adult Softball and T-Ball programs

Chief Parker talked about the fire department surplus vehicles.

Dan Rhoades reported eleven bills made it through crossover, and military retirement pay will not be taxed.

6. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the work session held April 2, 2018, Council Member Jackson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m.; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.