

MINUTES
PRE-COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
July 17, 2018
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the pre-council meeting held July 17, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: Council Member Robert Jones

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

Departmental Staffing: Major Bill Phelps – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services, and Captain Michael Paull, Fire and Emergency Services Department.

Media: James Simpson, II – Houston Home Journal

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

3a. Discussion of July 17, 2018 council meeting agenda.

7a. (1) Second Reading of an ordinance amending the Perry Code by deleting Sec. 15-34 in its entirety and adding a new Sec. 15-34 – When tax due and payable; effect of transacting business when delinquent. Mr. Gilmour recommended amending our code to roll back the due date from December 31st to March 31st.

7a. (2) Second Reading of an ordinance for the rezoning of property from Houston County R-AG, to City of Perry C-2, General Commercial District. Mr. Wood advised this is a request to rezone 2.00 acres of land located at 2100 Main Street; Tax Map No.: 000570 017000 from Houston County to City of Perry to obtain water for the development of a Dollar General Store.

7a. (3) Second Reading of an ordinance for the annexation of property from Houston County R-AG, to City of Perry C-2, General Commercial District. Mr. Wood advised this is a request to annex 2.00 acres of land located at 2100 Main

Street; Tax Map No.: 000570 017000 also for the purpose of obtaining water for the development of a Dollar General Store.

7a. (4) Second Reading of an ordinance amending the Perry Code by deleting Sec. 15-2204 in its entirety and adding a new Sec. 15-2204 – Indemnity. Mr. Wood advised this is a modification to the food truck ordinance to eliminate the requirement for an indemnification certificate, whereby the applicant agrees to indemnify the City of Perry.

7a. (5) Second Reading of an ordinance amending the Perry Code relative to certain license fees. Mr. Gilmour advised this ordinance amends the Perry Code to change the language, so in some portions of the Code where it addresses the fee, it would refer back to the City's Fee Schedule.

9a. (1) Resolution amending delinquent account collection policy to require a deposit under certain circumstances. Mr. Gilmour stated this resolution would amend the delinquent account collection policy and would require citizens to pay a deposit to get reinstated under certain circumstances, at one and one-half times what the average is for the 24-month period (account holder specific). Mr. Gilmour further recommended posting the new policy in Customer Service and including it in orientation of the sign-up packet. Additionally, every customer who has had any cut offs in that period will be individually called and advised of the new policy.

9a. (2) Resolution declaring police department vehicle surplus. Mr. Gilmour advised this resolution would allow the Police Department to give a surplus vehicle to Clay County, an inter-governmental agency, because of high mileage and/or repairs due. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker expressed concern with setting a precedent in regards to giving a vehicle to another agency rather than selling it if it has value. Assistant City Attorney Waters was asked to research the matter. Mr. Gilmour stated we could accept the offer from Clay County if Chief Lynn had not already advised them otherwise.

9b. (1) First Reading of an ordinance to set certain controls for use of fireworks in City of Perry. Assistant City Attorney Waters advised the county is asking cities to adopt the same noise ordinance they have in place in accordance with the state, in an effort to have uniformity across the county. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker voiced his concern regarding whether or not a warning should be given by police to those in violation of the noise ordinance. It was decided that Assistant City Attorney Waters would research further and report back to Council.

9c. (1) Resolution authorizing the call for a local referendum for the public consideration of an adjustment to Sunday alcohol sales. Mr. Gilmour advised this adjustment would be for restaurants only and would allow the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises on Sundays from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This referendum will be placed on the November general election ballot for citizens to vote on.

9d. (1) Bid No. 2018-14 Barbara Calhoun Park Additions. Mayor Faircloth advised bid results were higher than anticipated and recommended he would ask for a motion to reject all bids at this time and refer back to Council for further study.

9d. (2) Bid No. 2018-39 James E. Worrall Community Center Fire Alarm System. Captain Paull advised bids were received from Security Fire & Engineers and BTV Systems for the alarm system that is to be replaced at the Worrall Center. Although BTV Systems had the lower price, they had included a \$2,068.00 per year service plan, plus a \$40.00 per month monitoring fee within their price. Capt. Paull stated there have been issues with BTV's service in the past at the Davis Farms Fire Station in regards to their responsiveness to repairs and upkeep. It was also discovered that BTV requires a three month notice to cancel the contract or it automatically renews. Capt. Paull recommended going with the slightly higher bid from Security Fire & Engineers to obtain better service.

9d. (3) Bid No. 2018-44 Wayfinding Signage Phase 2. Mr. Smith advised three bids were received for Phase 2 of the ongoing wayfinding system implementation. Mr. Smith recommended the bid be awarded to low bidder United Signs. He reminded everyone this was the firm that constructed our initial wayfinding signage and they did a great job.

9d. (4) Bid No. 2018-46 Mowing Service. Mr. Smith recommended the bid in the amount of \$585.00 per month be awarded to LDI Landscape for Courtney Hodges Boulevard and the bid in the amount of \$526.67 per month be awarded to McWright, LLC for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

9d. (5) Bid No. 2018-02 Fire Department Battalion Vehicle. Chief Parker advised Perry Ford was the low bid in the amount of \$39,497.36 and recommended going with this bid.

9d. (6) Bid No. 2018-03 Fire Department Utility Vehicle. Chief Parker advised Wade Ford was the low bid at \$32,797.00; however Perry Ford will be given the local vendor option as they are within 7%.

9e. Approval of pay range adjustments. Mr. Gilmour recommended Council approve pay range adjustments for the Fire Battalion Chief, Code Compliance Specialist I and Code Compliance Specialist II.

4. Other Business / Supplemental Agenda

4a. Review annexation request for Woodlands Subdivision. Mayor Faircloth advised he is bringing this item back up for Council's review. Council agreed to deny this request.

5. Council Member Items:

Council had no reports.

6. Department Head/Staff Items:

Ms. King, Mr. Dye, Mr. Smith, Mr. Wood, and Major Phelps had no reports.

Chief Parker advised he would brief everyone on the July 21st pushing ceremony at the Council meeting.

7. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the pre-council meeting held July 17, 2018 Mayor Pro Tempore Walker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:54 p.m.; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.