

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

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held August 6, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

City Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney Brooke Newby, and Recording Clerk Janet Duffin.

Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Robert Smith – Assistant City Manager, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Sedrick Swan, Director of Leisure Services, Ashley Hardin – Economic Development Director, Mitchell Worthington, Assistant Director of Finance, Anya Turpin, Special Events Coordinator, Haley Myers – Main Street Coordinator and Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager.

Guest(s): Mr. Randall Walker, Mr. Gary Moulliet, Angela Cuti

Media: Jada Dukes - Houston Home Journal

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:

Council Member Jones rendered the invocation and Council Member Jackson led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Recognition(s) / Presentation(s):

4a. Mr. Gilmour recognized Mr. Bob Taylor and Ms. Renia Davis for their efforts in saving the City estimated repair costs of \$10,000.00 and presented them each with a \$1,000.00 check.

4b. Mr. Smith introduced and welcomed Mr. Sedrick Swan, newly hired Director of Leisure Services.

5. Community Partner(s) Update(s):

None

6. Citizens with Input:

None

7. Review of Minutes: Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King

- 7a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the July 15, 2019 work session, July 16, 2019 pre council meeting and July 16, 2019 council meeting.

Council Member Hunt motioned to accept the minutes as submitted; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

8. Old Business: Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King

8a. Ordinance for Second Reading and Adoption:

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance calling for the de-annexation of 49.43 acres of property located off Moody Road (a portion of The Woodlands Subdivision); Tax Map No. OP0490 056000 – Mr. B. Wood.

Mr. Wood recommended council adopt the ordinance as submitted.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2019-13 calling de-annexation of 49.43 acres of property located off Moody Road (a portion of The Woodlands Subdivision). Council Member Jackson moved to adopt the amended ordinance; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance No. 2019-13 has been entered into the City's official book of record.*)

9. Any Other Old Business: Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King

- 9a. Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King – none  
9b. Council Members – none  
9c. City Manager, Lee Gilmour – none  
9d. Assistant City Manager, Robert Smith – none  
9e. City Attorney, Brooke Newby – none

10. New Business: Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King

10a. Matters referred from August 5, 2019 work session and August 6, 2019 pre council meeting.

1. Approval of excluding Houston County Campus site from provision of tree ordinance – Mr. B. Wood.

Mr. Wood advised staff recommends excluding Houston County Campus site from provision of tree ordinance. Council Member Jackson moved to approve the exclusion; Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

10b. Resolution(s) for Introduction and Adoption:

1. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-38 to amend the City of Perry Fee Schedule. Mr. Gilmour recommended approval of adopting the City of Fee Schedule as submitted. Council Member Jackson moved to approve the amendment; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2019-38 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*
2. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-39 declaring certain vehicles and equipment surplus. Ms. King recommended authorization to proceed with disposal of said vehicles and equipment as submitted. Council Member Jackson moved to approve; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2019-39 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*
3. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-40 authorizing an increase in P-Card limit. Ms. King recommended approving an increase in P-Card limits to \$110,000.00 and no chargeback rights on the credit cards that are not in an individual's name. Council Member Hunt moved to approve the increase and acknowledged there are no chargeback rights on the credit cards that are not in an individual's name; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution No. 2019-40 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*

10c. Award of Bid(s): Mr. Worthington

1. Bid No. 2020-04 Perry Arts Center Window Tinting. Mr. Worthington advised the bid process resulted in 1 (one) response. Staff recommended awarding the bid to Tint Pro in the amount of \$8,280.00. Council Member Jackson moved to award the bid to Tint Pro in the amount of \$8,280.00; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10d. Request to pursue FY 2020 Vibrant Communities Grant to obtain up to \$5,000.00 in Grant Funding for art's related City events - Ms. Turpin.

Ms. Turpin requested approval to apply for a FY2020 Vibrant Communities Grant for up to \$5,000.00. Council Member Hunt moved to accept the request as submitted; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10e. Special Events Application(s):

1. Mr. N. Mansell requested approval for the Perry Ministerial Association to host a Historic Downtown Concert on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Council Member Jones moved to approve the request as submitted; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and

it carried unanimously.

2. Ms. Turpin requested approval to host the Perry Music Festival on Saturday, September 14th, from 4:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. Council Member Hunt moved to approve the request as submitted; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
3. Ms. Myers requested approval for road closures during the Perry Area Chamber of Commerce downtown event for Leadership Georgia on Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, from 4:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Carroll Street. Council Member Jackson moved to approve the request as submitted; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
4. Ms. Giles requested approval for the use of Heritage Park for the Business Battlefield on Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Mr. Gilmour advised that the City would work with the Chamber if due to construction, the event would need to be relocated. Council Member Hunt moved to approve the request as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
5. Ms. Cuti requested approval of road closures for The HALO Group's Truck Pull on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. A modification is being requested to allow for set-up beginning at 8:30 a.m., as well as a request to use a stage, a Perry Fire Truck to pull and the Perry Vintage Fire Truck to be stationary on courthouse property. Mr. Gilmour advised that per City of Perry policy, they are not designated partners, therefore would be unable to use the firetrucks and stage. Council Member Jones moved to approve the request as submitted; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11. Other Business/Supplemental Agenda: Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King

11a. Approval of an agreement between the Board of Commissioners of Houston County and the City of Perry relative to a temporary location for Municipal Court operations - Mr. Gilmour

Mr. Gilmour recommended approval of the agreement between Houston County Board of Commissioners and the City of Perry for the use of a temporary location for Municipal Court operations in one of the Superior Court Courtrooms. Council Member Hunt moved to approve the request as submitted; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

12. Council Member Items:

Council Member Jackson advised Council, the public and City employees that he has decided not to run again for his Council seat. He further stated that he appreciates the support of the city staff and citizens.

Council Member Hunt stated he appreciated all the work Council Member Jackson has done over the years and hated to see him go. Council Member Hunt also asked about the possibility of putting out signs for people who bring their dog to a Food Truck Friday event. Ms. Myers advised that pet waste dispensers were being installed and would be in place for this Friday's event.

Council Member Jones advised he was proud that his time served with the City of Perry coincided with Council Member Jackson's and that he will be missed.

Council Member Bynum-Grace stated she was proud to have served with Council Member Jackson. She further advised that he had made some tough decisions and hated to see him go.

Mayor Pro-Tempore King stated he has enjoyed working with Council Member Jackson and appreciates his time and service.

Mr. Gilmour advised that speaking from a staff standpoint, Council Member Jackson had been a complete delight and has done a good job balancing and had been very proactive in a number of decisions to improve the Perry community.

Mr. Smith stated that in the five years he has been with the City of Perry, Council Member Jackson has always been very supportive. He further advised that he will miss getting Council Member Jackson's "pot hole" texts and appreciated his attention to detail and his desire to see the City operate the best it can.

City Attorney Newby advised she has enjoyed working with Council Member Jackson.

Mr. Gilmour added that Council Member Jackson's legacy are all the plantings and landscapes seen in and around the city as he was a strong proponent of getting these added. Mr. Gilmour further stated this is an outstanding tribute to Council Member Jackson.

13. Department Heads/Staff Items:

Chief Parker, Chief Lynn, Mr. Swan, Mr. Wood, Ms. Myers, and Mr. Smith had no reports.

Ms. Hardin advised the Downtown Development Authority is in the process of a master plan refresh. A survey will be going out on Friday, as well as a presence at the upcoming Food Truck Friday event.

Ms. Palmer announced the Your City Program application window is open through August 19<sup>th</sup>. The program, which runs for six sessions, begins September 5<sup>th</sup> and is free to join. Applicants can contact Ms. Palmer or get information on the City website or Facebook page.

Ms. Turpin advised there will be a Food Truck Friday event this Friday and encouraged everyone to attend.

Ms. King thanked Council Member Jackson for his time and efforts and advised he will not be forgotten.

14. General Public Items:

Ms. Angela Cuti, The HALO Group, requested the use of the vintage Perry Fire Truck to be used as a display for the Truck Pull. Mr. Gilmour advised Ms. Cuti they could use the vintage truck as long as it is a static display only.

15. Mayor Pro Tempore Items:

None

16. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular council meeting held August 6, 2019, Council Member Jackson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m.; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.