

**MINUTES**  
**PRE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
August 20, 2019  
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King, Presiding Officer, called to order the pre-council meeting held August 20, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: Council Member Riley Hunt

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

Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker - Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Ashley Hardin - Economic Development Director, Sedrick Swan - Director of Leisure Services, Haley Myers - Main Street Coordinator, Mitchell Worthington – Assistant Director of Finance, Chad McMurrian –Lead Engineering Technician, and Tracy Hester – Chief Building Official.

Media: Jada Dukes – Houston Home Journal

Guests: Randall Walker and Gary Moulliet

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King

3a. Discussion of August 20, 2019 council meeting agenda.

4a. Appointment to Perry Main Street Advisory Board. Ms. Haley Myers advised Council the Board is recommending the re-appointment of Mr. Bill Loudermilk to the Perry Main Street Advisory Board. Mr. Loudermilk represents Uptown Perry Partnership.

4a. Appointment to Perry Public Arts Commission – Council Member Riley Hunt: Mayor Pro Tempore King recommended tabling this item due to Council Member Hunt's absence.

7a. Consider retaining of the operation 14.050 mills. Mr. Gilmour advised there will be a public hearing regarding the millage rate remaining at 14.050 mills.

10b (1). First Reading of an ordinance prohibiting riding or driving vehicles

on sidewalks except for maintenance. Mr. Gilmour advised there are no issues at this time.

10c (1). Bid No. 2019-35 High Pressure Gas Main Extension:

Mr. Worthington recommended the low bid of \$734,207.50 by J & E Construction Management & Consulting Services, LLC for the high pressure gas main extension.

10c (2). Bid No. 2020-01 Demolition Services – New City Hall Site:

Mr. Worthington recommended the low bid of \$72,680.00, with an allowance for asbestos abatement at \$45,500.00 for a total of \$118,180.00 to Southern Equipment, LLC.

10c (3). Mowing bids for City Hall and Public Safety: Mr. Gilmour recommended low bid at \$7200.00 per year by Real Turf Solutions for mowing at City Hall and the Public Safety Building.

10d. Consider authorizing the position customer service trainee:

Mr. Gilmour recommended Council authorize a customer service trainee job classification and clarified this will not be a new position with the City of Perry.

10e. Consider establishing tax and license specialist series:

Mr. Gilmour recommended that Council authorize a tax and license specialist job classification and clarified this will not be a new position with the City of Perry.

10f (1). The City of Perry is hosting Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, from 5 pm until 9 pm: Ms. Haley Myers announced that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Oktoberfest will be held Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 5-9p.m. with road closures from 2:00 - 9:30p.m.

11a. Health and dental insurance renewal. Administration recommended that the City of Perry renew health and dental insurance option with costs remaining the same as the previous year.

4. Council Members Items:  
Council had no reports.

5. Department Heads/Staff Items:  
Ms. King, Mr. Swan, Mr. Wood, Mr. Worthington, Mr. McMurrian, and Ms. Myers had no reports.

Chief Lynn stated that the training trip to LaGrange, Georgia was successful.

Chief Parker announced that the new fire department mascot, Fire Pup, had arrived and would be at parades, etc.

Ms. Hardin advised that 435 new jobs were added with larger employers in Perry.

6. Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before Council in the pre-council meeting held August 20, 2019, Council Member Jackson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:20p.m. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.