

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
September 18, 2018
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held September 18, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Officials Absent: none

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Assistant City Manager Robert Smith, City Attorney David Walker and Recording Clerk Cyndi Houser.

City Departmental Staffing: Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Finance, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Catherine Edgemon – Main Street Coordinator, Chad McMurrian – Lead Engineering Technician, and Annie Warren – City Clerk.

Guest(s): Debra and Scott Cox and members of the 2018 Perry Youth Leadership, Battalion Chief Kirk Crumpton, Police Officers Gary Turley, Daniel Layson and Jaquetta Newsome, Fire Sergeant Patrick Watson, Firefighters Ethan Singletary, Austin Redmond, Nadad Jeanjulien, and James Flournoy; Police Sgt. Jeff Kujawa, Officers Brian Mixon and Josh Brown, other members of the Fire and Police Departments, Representative Shaw Blackmon and family, Mr. Joel Wiggins – GMA representative, Mr. Tim Maloney – Guardian Center, Mr. Robbin Jackson, and Ms. Kamaya Henson

Media: James Simpson, II - Houston Home Journal and Kellie McWilliams – Comsouth 100

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

Council Member Robert Jones rendered the invocation and Council Member Willie King led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Recognition(s)/Presentation(s): Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

Mayor Faircloth deviated from the agenda and introduced Scott and Debra Cox advisors for the 2018 Perry Youth Leadership class. They in turn introduced the class members present to Mayor and Council stating their next module will be local

government. Mayor Faircloth welcomed the class and provided a brief outline of how the local government functions.

Mayor Faircloth returned to the agenda

4a. Presentation to Representative Shaw Blackmon from the Georgia Municipal Association.

Mr. Wiggins presented an award to Representative Shaw Blackmon from the GMA in recognition of the leadership he has provided for the local governments during the last two (2) years. Mayor Faircloth thanked him on behalf of Council and the citizens for all the hard work he has done.

4b. Recognition of Battalion Chiefs Ephraim Wheeler and Kirk Crumpton, Fire Sergeant Patrick Watson, and Firefighters Ethan Singletary, Austin Redmond, Nadad Jeanjulien.

Chief Parker read a prepared statement about an incident that took place at the Guardian Centers when a trainee became unresponsive. Members of the Fire Department, Police Department and paramedics from Houston Healthcare joined in lifesaving measures. The trainee was revived and transported to the hospital where he was released several days later. Chief Parker presented each firefighter with a “life save” patch. Mr. Maloney from Guardian Centers expressed his gratitude for the assistance of all involved.

4c. Introduction of new hires: Officer Gary Turley, Officer Daniel Layson and Officer Jaquetta Newsome.

Chief Lynn introduced new Officers Gary Turley, Daniel Layson and Jaquetta Newsome and provided a brief background for each one. Mayor and Council welcomed the new officers.

5. Citizens with Input:

Mr. Robbin Jackson of New Missionary Baptist Church introduced Kamaya Fenson and expressed concern about an extra entrance/exit in the Hilltop area.

6. Review of Minutes: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

6a. Council’s Consideration – Minutes of the September 4, 2018 pre council meeting and September 4, 2018 council meeting.

Council Member Hunt motioned to accept the minutes as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

7. Old Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

7a. Ordinance(s) for Second Reading(s) and Adoption:

1. **Second Reading** of an ordinance amending the Food Truck Ordinance— Mr. B. Wood.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2018-19 to revise the City Code by amending the food truck ordinance. Council Member Jackson moved to adopt the ordinance as submitted; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded and the motion carried unanimously. (*Ordinance No. 2018-19 has been entered into the City's official book of record.*)

2. **Second Reading** an ordinance amending Sec. 5-34- Penalties.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2018-20 to revise the City Code by amending the penalties so they are consistent with other sections. Council Member Jackson moved to adopt the ordinance as adopted. Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously. (*Ordinance No. 2018-20 has been entered into the City's official book of record.*)

8. Any Other Old Business:

- 8a. Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. - none
- 8b. Council Members - none
- 8c. City Manager Lee Gilmour - none
- 8d. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith - none
- 8e. City Attorney - none

9. New Business: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

9a. Matters referred from September 17 work session and September 18, pre council meeting.

1. Authorize addition of two (2) entry level positions for the Department of Public Works – Mr. L. Gilmour. Administration recommended authorization of two (2) additional positions in Public Works to help with litter and landscaping.

Authorized the addition of two (2) positions for Public Works. Council Member Bynum Grace moved to approve the addition of two (2) additional positions for Public Works; Council Member King seconded and it carried unanimously.

2. Resolution restricting access to health/dental insurance coverage for its elected officials. Administration recommended amending the health/dental insurance policy to no longer offering insurance to elected officials. This will not affect currently elected officials participating nor if they are re-elected. If a new council member is elected they would not be eligible.

Adopted Resolution 2018-68 restricting access to health/dental insurance coverage for its elected officials. Council Member Walker

moved to adopt the resolution as submitted. Council Member King seconded and the motion carried with Council Member Hunt opposing. *(Resolution 2018-68 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*

3. Resolution authorizing certain incentives for hotel project "A". Mr. Gilmour stated the project meets the qualifications set out by Council for certain incentives. Administration recommended approval with the addition of a repayment plan in the event the project does not stay in business or is not 80% completed within one (1) year of permit issuance.

Adopted Resolution 2018-69 authorizing a hotel incentive package for project "A". Council Member Jones moved to adopt the resolution as submitted; Council Member King seconded and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution 2018-69 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*

9b. Resolution(s) for Introduction and Adoption:

1. Resolution to amend the Perry Fee Schedule– Mr. L. Gilmour. Administration recommended approval of a discount for licensees applying or renewing online, adjusting the natural gas activation fee, removing the Downtown District and eliminating mosquito spraying.

Adopted Resolution 2018-70 amending various fees in the Perry Fee Schedule. Council Member Bynum-Grace moved to adopt the resolution as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously. *(Resolution 2018-70 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*

9c. Award of Bids:

1. Bid No. 2018-47 Division 1 Water Treatment Plant –
Mr. C. McMurrian

Bid No. 2018-47 Division 1 Water Treatment Plant. Mr. McMurrian explained the original bid was divided into four (4) parts and he presented the bid results for Council's consideration. Staff recommended awarding the bid to low bidder Reeves-Young for \$8,219,000 with GEFA funding. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker moved to award the bid the Reeves-Young for \$8,219,000. Council Member King seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Bid No. 2018-48 Division 2 Groundwater Supply Wells –
Mr. C. McMurrian

Bid No. 2018-47 Division 2 Groundwater Supply Wells. Mr. McMurrian presented the bids results for Council's consideration and staff recommended awarding the bid to the low bidder, Rowe Drilling for one (1) well in the amount of \$896,385.00 with GEFA funding. Council

Member King moved to award the bid to low bidder Rowe Drilling for \$896,385.00. Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Bid No. 2018-49 Division 3 Clearwell – Mr. C. McMurrian

Bid No. 2018-49 Division 3 Clearwell. Mr. McMurrian presented the ground water tank storage bids for Council's consideration. Staff recommended awarding to the low bidder Precon Corporation in the amount of \$725,000.00. Council Member King moved to award the bid to Precon Corporation, Newberry, Florida in the amount of \$725,000. Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

4. Bid No. 2018-50 Division 4 Offsite Water Line – Mr. C. McMurrian

Bid No. 2018-50 Offsite Water Line. Mr. McMurrian presented the bids for Council's consideration for the offsite water line which will connect to the City's water distribution system. Staff recommended awarding the bid to LaKay Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$370,501.00. Mayor Pro Tempore moved to award the bid to LaKay Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$370,501.00.

5. Bid No. 2019-01 Pump Station Upgrades and Improvements – Mr. C. McMurrian.

Bid No. 2019-01 Pump Station Upgrades and Improvements. Mr. McMurrian presented for Council's consideration for rehabbing and upgrades to several pump stations. Staff recommended the low bidder, Pyles Plumbing & Utility Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$281,922.00. Council Member Bynum-Grace moved to award the bid to Pyles Plumbing & Utility Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$281,922.00. Council Member King seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

9d. Special Events Application(s) – Chief S. Lynn:

Mayor Faircloth deviated from the agenda to consider a request for street closures for the Farm Day Parade on October 6th. Council Member Hunt moved to approve the closure of Washington Street, Main Street and Courtney Hodges as requested in past years. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Faircloth returned to the agenda

1. Perry Chamber of Commerce Downtown Merchants Council is partnering with Main Street Promotion Committee to host the 6th Annual Sweets and Treats on Downtown Streets, October 31, 2018, 4 p.m. until 6 p.m.

Street closure(s) requested:

Jernigan Street between Commerce Street and Main Street
Ball Street between Commerce Street and Main Street
Carroll Street between Jernigan Street and Washington Street

Chief Lynn stated he had reviewed the application for this 6th annual event and found everything in order. Staff recommended approving the street closures. Council Member Jackson moved to approve the street closures as submitted. Council Member King seconded and it carried unanimously.

2. The City of Perry is hosting Oktoberfest in downtown Perry on October 20, 2018 from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Street Closure(s) requested:

Carroll Street between Jernigan Street and Washington Street
Ball Street between Commerce Street and Main Street
Jernigan Street between Commerce Street and Main Street

Approval of special event alcohol permit license application.

Chief Lynn stated he had reviewed the application and found everything in order for this first time event. Council Member King moved to approve the street closures as submitted and the special alcohol permit. Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

3. The City of Perry is hosting a free UGA vs FL Tailgate and Game Broadcast at Heritage Park on October 27, 2018 from 1 pm until 7 pm.

Approval of special event alcohol permit license application.

Chief Lynn reviewed the application and found no issues for this first time event. The Police Department will be assisting with traffic control and staff recommended approval. Council Member Jones moved to approve the special event alcohol permit as submitted; Council Member King seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

4. Request from the Perry Ministerial Association for its Annual Christmas at the Square on December 2, 2018 from 6 pm to 7 pm.

Street Closure(s) request:

Carroll Street between Jernigan Street and Washington Street
Ball Street between Commerce Street and Main Street

Chief Lynn reviewed the application for this annual community event and staff recommended approval. Mayor Pro Tempore Walker moved to approve the streets closure request as submitted. Council Member Jackson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

10. Council Members Items:

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

Council Member Bynum-Grace thanked Carl Lumpkin and his committee for a great Music Festival this year.

Council Member Jones noted the last Food Truck Friday was very successful.

Assistant City Manager Smith reminded everyone of the movie to be shown at Creekwood Park on Saturday evening.

Mr. Gilmour, and Attorney Waters had no reports.

11. Department Heads/Staff Items:

Ms. Warren, Ms. King, Mr. Wood, and Chief Lynn had no reports

Chief Parker announced the Fire Department would be doing a smoke detector blitz on Saturday going from house to house installing the detectors. They are also looking for volunteers to help install.

Mr. Smith announced the football kick off will be in Creekwood Park at 9 am on Saturday.

12. General Public Items: None

13. Mayor Items:

- September 25th, Walk with Mayor/Council in Wind River
- October 1st – Work Session
- October 2nd – Pre council & regular meeting
- October 4th – Georgia National Fair starts

14. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in regular meeting held September 18, 2018, Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.