

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
October 1, 2019
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held October 1, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

City Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Robert Smith – Assistant City Manager, 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, Sedrick Swan - Director of Leisure Services, Ashley Hardin – Economic Development Director, Anya Turpin - Special Events Coordinator, and Haley Myers – Main Street Coordinator.

Guest(s): Mr. Scott Cox, Mrs. Debra Cox, Mr. Jackson Mullis, Ms. Mary Caroline Crook, Ms. Kerri Ann Lawson, Ms. Rachel Dowd, Mr. Landon, Ms. Sharon Darnell Tucker, Mr. Gary Moulliet and Mr. Darryl Albritton.

Media: Jada Dukes - Houston Home Journal

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:

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

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

4a. Chief Parker introduced Mr. Austin Williams and Mr. Dustin Hannula, newly hired firefighters. Mayor Walker welcomed both to the City of Perry.

4b. Mayor Walker presented Mr. Gilmour, City Manager with his twenty-year pin and gift card in honor of his anniversary with the city. Mayor Walker and council members congratulated Mr. Gilmour and thanked him for his leadership and service.

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

1. Mr. Scott Cox, Georgia Power introduced Perry Youth Leadership students, Mr. Jackson Mullis, Ms. Mary Caroline Crook, Ms. Kerri Ann Lawson, Ms. Rachel Dowd, and Mr. Landon.

6. Citizens with Input:

None

7. PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:12 P.M. Mayor Randall Walker called to order a public hearing at 6:12 p.m. to provide any interested parties with an opportunity to express their views and concerns in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-67A-3 (c).

7a. SUSE-69-2019. Applicant, Sharon Darnell Tucker, requests a Special Exception to allow a Residential Business at 1428 Elizabeth Avenue; Tax Map No. OP0230072000. Mr. Wood advised the Planning Commission recommended approval of the Special Exception subject to conditions outlined.

Public Input: Mayor Walker called for any public input for or against this amendment.

For: Ms. Sharon Darnell Tucker, 1428 Elizabeth Avenue, spoke in favor.

Opposed: None

Public Hearing closed at 6:16 p.m. Mayor Randall Walker closed the Public Hearing at 6:16 pm.

8. Review of Minutes: Mayor Randall Walker

8a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the September 16, 2019 work session, September 17, 2019 pre council meeting, September 17, 2019 council meeting, September 23, 2019 special called meeting and September 24, 2019 special called meeting. (*Council Member Hunt was absent from September 16th work session, September 23rd special called meeting and September 24th special called meeting. Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King was absent from September 24th special called meeting.*)

Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to accept the September 16th work session minutes as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Council Member Hunt abstaining.

Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to accept the September 17th pre council minutes as submitted; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Jones motioned to accept the September 17th council minutes as submitted; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to accept the September 23rd special

called meeting minutes as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Council Member Hunt abstaining.

Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to accept the September 24th special called meeting minutes as submitted, Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Council Member Hunt and Mayor Pro Tempore King abstaining.

9. Old Business: Mayor Randall Walker

9a. Ordinance for Second Reading and Adoption:

1. **Second Reading** of a text amendment addressing Brewpubs, Breweries, Distilleries, Truck Stops and Conditional Uses - Mr. B. Wood.

Mr. Wood advised the Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed amendment as submitted.

Adopted Ordinance No. 2019-18 text amendment. Council Member Hunt moved to adopt the amended ordinance; Mayor Tempore King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance No. 2019-18 has been entered into the City's official book of record.*)

10. Any Other Old Business: Mayor Randall Walker

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

11. New Business: Mayor Randall Walker

- 11a. Matters referred from September 30, 2019 work session and October 1, 2019 pre council meeting.

None

- 11b. SUSE-69-2019. A special exception to allow a Residential Business at 1428 Elizabeth Avenue – Mr. B. Wood.

Council Member Jones motioned to approve the special exception as presented; Mayor Pro Tempore King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 11c. Resolution for Introduction and Adoption:

1. Resolution of Support for the Georgia Department of Community Affairs loan to the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Perry for the acquisition and renovation of a building in downtown for use as a

restaurant – Ms. A. Hardin.

Adopted Resolution No. 2019-49 Support for the Georgia Department of Community Affairs loan to the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Perry for the acquisition and renovation of a building in downtown for use as a restaurant. Council Member Jones motioned to approve the resolution as submitted; Council Member Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Resolution No. 2019-49 has been entered into the City's official book of record.*)

12. Other Business/Supplemental Agenda: Mayor Randall Walker

12a. Special Events Application(s): Ms. A. Turpin

1. Ms. Turpin advised the city is hosting the 3rd Annual Georgia vs. Florida Tailgate event on November 2, 2019 at Heritage Park and requested assistance from Police, Fire, and Public Works with security and set-up.

Council Member Hunt motioned to approve the request; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. Ms. Turpin requested an amendment for the Oktoberfest event on October 19th to address concerns from downtown merchants relative to road closures.

Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to approve the amendment as presented; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

12b. Resolution for Introduction and Adoption:

1. A resolution supporting locally-established building design standards for residential dwellings – Mayor Walker.

Adopted Resolution No. 2019-50 supporting locally-established building design standards for residential dwellings. Council Member Jones motioned to approve the resolution as submitted; Mayor Pro Tempore King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

13. Council Member Items:

Council had no reports.

Mr. Smith and City Attorney Newby had no reports.

14. Department Heads/Staff Items:

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

Mr. Wood reminded everyone that the neighborhood cleanup event will be held Saturday, November 9th in the Creekwood Park neighborhood. Lunch will be served in the Pavilion after the event.

Mr. Smith advised phase two construction has begun at the Splashpad with the area being closed for approximately two weeks.

Ms. Turpin advised the Oktoberfest event will be held October 19th.

Chief Lynn reminded everyone that Coffee with a Cop will be held tomorrow at Starbucks from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Ms. Hardin advised everyone of the open house for the new boutique Massey Gordon which will be held Friday from 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Additionally, Home Grown Yoga will start classes in approximately three weeks.

15. General Public Items:

None

16. Mayor Items:

Mayor Walker reminded everyone that the Georgia National Fair opens October 3rd and runs through October 13th, and the Farm-City Days Parade will be held this Saturday at 10:00 a.m.

Oktoberfest will be held October 19th.

There will be no work session on October 14th due to the holiday.

Pre council and council will be held October 15th beginning at 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. respectively.

17. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular council meeting held October 1, 2019, Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

