

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
October 15, 2019
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held October 15, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: Mayor Pro Tempore Willie King

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney Brooke Newby, and Recording Clerk Annie Warren.

Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Sedrick Swan - Director of Leisure Services, Ashley Hardin – Economic Development Director, Mitchell Worthington - Assistant Director of Finance, Lulu Herrera – Executive Secretary, Donna Hatten – Accountant, Tabitha Clark – Communications Manager, Brianna Jenkins – Executive Secretary, Office Tayler Talley and Haley Myers – Main Street Coordinator.

Guest(s): Jason Poole, Ellen Palmer, Lauren Black, Zoe Walker, Brianna Stokes, Faith Johnston, Scott Cox, and Debra Cox,

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. Introduction(s):

4a. Introduction of new Executive Secretary, Ms. Lulu Herrera. Mr. Gilmour introduced Ms. Lulu Herrera to Mayor and Council. Mayor Walker and Council welcomed Ms. Herrera to the City of Perry.

4b. Introduction of new Communications Manager, Ms. Tabitha Clark. Mr. Gilmour introduced Ms. Tabitha Clark to Mayor and Council. Mayor and Council welcomed Ms. Clark to the City.

4c. Introduction of new Executive Secretary, Ms. Brianna Jenkins. – Mr. Swan

introduced Ms. Brianna Jenkins to Mayor and Council and provided a brief bio. Mayor Walker and Council welcomed Ms. Jenkins to the City of Perry.

- 4d. Introduction of new Accountant, Ms. Donna Hatten. Ms. King introduced Ms. Donna Hatten and provided a brief bio. Mayor and Council welcomed Ms. Hatten.
- 4e. Introduction of new Police Officer, Tayler Talley. Chief Lynn introduced Officer Tayler Talley and provided a brief bio. Mayor and Council welcomed Officer Talley to the Perry Police Department.
- 4f. Recognition of First Responders – Life Save Award: Chief Parker recognized Captain Kenneth Genthner, Sergeant Jonathon Yoder, Lieutenant Billy Gordon, Firefighters Vince Walls, Darius Ingram, Ken McDonald, David White, Paramedic Michael Sumner and EMT Bert Lewis in saving a local citizen's life. Mayor Walker thanked everyone for their efforts in saving the citizen's life.

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

Ms. Ellen Palmer, President/CEO of the Perry Area Chamber of Commerce

- November 6, State of the Community Luncheon
- December 5, Taste of Southern

Mr. & Mrs. Scott and Debra Cox, Perry Youth Leadership

- Mr. and Mrs. Cox brought several members of the Perry Youth Leadership to Council's meeting this evening. Those attending were Lauren Black, Zoe Walker, Brianna Stokes, and Faith Johnston.

6. Citizens with Input. None

7. Review of Minutes: Mayor Randall Walker

- 7a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the September 30, 2019 work session, October 1, 2019 pre council meeting, and October 1, 2019 council meeting.

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

8. Old Business:

- 8a. Mayor Randall Walker – none
- 8b. Council Members - none
- 8c. City Manager Lee Gilmour - none
- 8d. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith - absent
- 8e. City Attorney Brooke Newby - none

9. New Business: Mayor Randall Walker

- 9a. Matters referred from October 15, 2019 pre council meeting. none

9b. Award of Bid(s):

1. Bid No. 2020-09 Sidewalk Lighting Project – Mr. M. Worthington

Mr. Worthington stated no formal bids were received. Mr. Worthington contacted Moye Electric Company, Inc. that wrote the bid specifications, and it agreed to complete the project at the original quoted price of \$24,800. Staff recommends awarding the bid to Moye Electric Company, Inc. in the amount of \$24,800 subject to acquiring the easement. Council Member Jones motioned to award Bid No. 2020-09 to Moye Electric Company Inc. in the amount of \$24,800 subject to acquiring the easement; Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. Award of contract for electrical work at the Public Safety Facility – Mr. M. Worthington.

Mr. Worthington reported he did not formally bid the electrical work at the Public Safety Facility, but instead contacted three vendors. Staff recommends awarding the project to low bidder Schaffer Electric Service in the amount of \$14,925.00. Council Member Jackson motioned to award the project to low bidder Schaffer Electric Service in the amount of \$14,925.00; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

9c. Appointment of City Attorney – Per Article III, Section 3.12 the Council of the City of Perry hereby appoints Ms. Brooke Newby City Attorney effective November 4, 2019. Mayor Walker entertained a motion to appoint Ms. Brooke Newby City Attorney effective November 4, 2019. Council Member Jackson motioned to appoint Ms. Brooke Newby City Attorney effective November 4, 2019; Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10. Council Members Items:

Council had no reports.

11. Department Heads/Staff Items:

Mr. Gilmour and Ms. Newby had no reports.

Ms. Warren, Ms. King, Ms. Clark, Mr. Swan, Ms. Hardin, Chief Lynn, Ms. Myers, and Mr. Worthington had no reports.

Chief Parker reminded everyone of the poster contest for 3rd graders in the Perry service area.

12. General Public Items:

None

13. Mayor Items:

- October 19, Octoberfest
- October 19, Vote Smart Walk
- November 4, Work session
- November 5, Pre council / Council

14. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular council meeting held October 15, 2019, Council Member Jackson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.