

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
December 3, 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 December 3, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: None

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, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Mitchell Worthington - Assistant Director of Finance, Ashley Hardin – Economic Development Director, Chad McMurrian – Engineering Services Manager, Haley Bryant – Main Street Coordinator and Tabitha Clark – Communications Manager.

Guest(s): Becky Wilson, Darrien Woolfork, Eli Sebastian, Antoinette Reid-Mericier, Brian Reimers, Carol Harshman, Emory M. Wilson, Sara Jean Simmons, Justin Doss, Penny T. Stapleton, Patti Pryor-Mills, Angie Cline, Kimberly Ann Walsh, Myron Lyman, Na'Tasha Swan, Sedrick Swan, Pollyanna Parker and Tiffany Martens.

Media: Jada Dukes - Houston Home Journal

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:

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

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

4a. Recognition of Eli Sebastian, a participant of the 3rd grade Fire Safety Poster Contest. Mayor Walker thanked Mr. Sebastian for his participation and presented him with a certificate of achievement.

4b. Recognition of and Presentation of Certificates for the 2019 *Your City* Program participants.

Mayor Walker and Ms. Clark presented certificates to the participants of the Class of 2019 *Your City* program.

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

- 5a. Ms. Becky Wilson, Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. Ms. Wilson presented a video relative to the importance of tourism to Mayor and Council.

6. Citizens with Input. None

7. Review of Minutes: Mayor Randall Walker

- 7a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the November 18, 2019 work session, November 19, 2019 pre council meeting, and November 19, 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 Attorney Brooke Newby – none
8d. City Manager Lee Gilmour - none
8e. Assistant City Manager Robert Smith - none

9. New Business: Mayor Randall Walker

- 9a. Matters referred from December 2, 2019 work session and December 3, 2019 pre council meeting.

1. DDA's pole relocation project:

- (a) Authorize the use of up to \$62,366 (revised amount) from Downtown Improvements Restricted Account for DDA's pole relocation project.
- (b) Authorize the necessary easements through Georgia Power for City property.
- (c) Authorize rebate from Georgia Power for any additional new load as a result of DDA pole relocation to be paid or allocated to DDA.

Ms. Hardin spoke on the DDA's pole relocation project with the revised amount of \$62,366 from the Downtown Improvements Restricted Account. Council Member Jackson motioned to authorize items (a), (b) and (c); Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. Authorize UAM to:

- (a) Clean out stormwater pipe on Pebble Beach Drive.
- (b) Based on cleaning results, authorize UAM to complete spincast or half spincast said stormwater pipe pending engineering recommendation.

Mr. McMurrian recommended to Council that UAM: (a) Clean out stormwater pipe on Pebble Beach Drive and (b) based on cleaning results, authorize UAM to complete spincast or half spincast said stormwater pipe pending engineering recommendation.

9b. Ordinance(s) for First Reading(s) and Introduction:

1. **First Reading** of an ordinance adopting the GMEBS Restated Defined Benefit Plan – Ms. B. Newby. *(No action required by Council.)*
2. **First Reading** of an ordinance amending FY 2019 Operating Budget – Mr. L. Gilmour. *(No action required by Council.)*
3. **First Reading** of an ordinance amending the Transient Occupancy Tax – Mr. L. Gilmour. *(No action required by Council.)*

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

1. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-60 amending the City of Perry Fee Schedule. Administration presented for Council's consideration a resolution to amend the City of Perry's Fee schedule to incorporate the collection/disposal rate increase effective January 1, 2020. Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to adopt the resolution as submitted; Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. *(Resolution 2019-60 has been entered into the City's official book of record.)*

10. Council Members Items:

Council had no reports.

11. Department Heads/Staff Items.

Mr. Gilmour, Ms. Newby, Ms. King, Mr. Wood, Mr. Worthington, Ms. Clark, Mr. Swan, Chief Lynn, Chief Parker and Ms. Hardin had no reports.

Ms. Bryant reminded everyone of the event Holiday on Carroll, December 7.

12. General Public Items:

Ms. Darrien Woolfork, 926 Jeannie Street, thanked the City and State for the housing funding and commended Larry Durham for his work ethics.

13. Mayor Items:

- December 16, work session
- December 17, pre council and council

14. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular council meeting held December 3, 2019, Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.