

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
December 3, 2019
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the pre-council meeting held December 3, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: None

City 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, Ashley Hardin, - Economic Development Director, Sedrick Swan – Director of Leisure Services, Anya Turpin – Special Events Coordinator, Mitchell Worthington – Assistant Director of Finance, Chad McMurrian – Engineering Services Manager, Haley Bryant – Main Street Coordinator, and Tabitha Clark – Communications Manager.

Media: None

Guests: None

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor Randall Walker

3a. Discussion of December 3, 2019 council meeting agenda.

4a. Recognition of Eli Sebastian, a participant of the 3rd grade Fire Safety Poster Contest. Chief Parker reported Eli Sebastian will be recognized this evening by Mayor Walker relative to his participation in the 3rd grade Fire Safety Poster Contest.

4b. Recognition of and Presentation of Certificates for the 2019 *Your City* Program participants. Mayor Walker and Ms. Clark will recognize and present certificates to the program participants.

5a. Ms. Becky Wilson, Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. Ms. Wilson has a video relative to tourism she will be presenting to Mayor and Council at this evening's meeting.

9a (1). DDA's pole relocation project. Administration reviewed DDA's pole relocation project request and recommended the following to Council:

- (a) Authorize the use of up to \$62,366.00 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.

9a (2). Houston Springs / Pebble Beach Drive stormwater repairs. Administration recommended Council authorize Utility Asset Management, Inc. 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.

9b (1). First reading of an ordinance adopting the GMEBS Restated Defined Benefit Plan. Ms. Newby stated the Plan was approved by Council at its November 5 meeting but under Georgia law, the Plan must be approved or adopted as an ordinance.

9b (3). First reading of an ordinance amending the Transient Occupancy Tax. Administration reported the City will continue to levying tax at seven percent (7%) until February 29, 2020 and then begin the tax rate at eight percent (8%) effective March 1, 2020.

9c (1). Resolution amending the City of Perry Fee Schedule. Administration advised Council of Advanced Disposal collection/disposal rate increase of 1.70% effective January 1, 2020 and proposed a resolution to amend the City of Perry's Fee Schedule to incorporate the increase.

4. Council Member Items:

Council had no reports.

5. Department Head/Staff Items:

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

Ms. Hardin reported the City of Perry will be featured on Fox24 this evening relative to the tourism grant for Oliver Hazard's Restaurant.

Mayor Walker entertained a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of personnel.

6. Executive Session entered at 5:18 p.m. Mayor Pro-Tempore King moved to adjourn the pre council meeting and enter into executive session for the purpose of personnel. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
7. Executive Session adjourned at 5:26 p.m. Council adjourned the executive session held December 3, 2019 and reconvened into the pre council meeting.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-59 stating the purpose of executive session held December 3, 2019 was to discuss personnel. Council Member Jackson moved to adopt a resolution stating the purpose of the Executive Session held on December 3, 2019 was to discuss personnel. Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. No. action was taken. (*Resolution 2019-59 has been entered into the City's official book of record*).
9. Adjournment:
There being no further business to come before Council in the pre-council meeting held December 3, 2019, Council Member Albritton motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:27p.m. Council Member Albritton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.