

**MINUTES**  
**PRE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
March 21, 2017  
**5:00 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 March 21, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: None

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Assistant City Attorney Matthew Hulbert and Recording Clerk, Nancy Graham.

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services, Robert Smith – Economic Development Director, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager, Chad McMurrian – Lead Engineering Technician, and John Schell – Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Supervisor.

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): None

Media: Kirstin Moriarty – Houston Home Journal

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

3a. Discussion of March 21, 2017 council meeting agenda.

6a. Petition for Re-zoning Application No. R-17-02. Mr. Wood reviewed the petition and answered Mayor and Council's questions.

Council Member Walker advised that he will recuse himself from the discussion because of a potential conflict of interest.

6b. Amendment to Perry Land Development Ordinance, Section 106 – Signs to reflect the new form base code districts on General Courtney Hodges Boulevard. Mr. Wood reviewed the amendment and answered Mayor and Council's questions.

Mr. Wood advised that the Perry Planning Commission recommend approval of the amendment.

8a (1) Second Reading of an ordinance de-annexing P49-41/42 from the City of Perry. The property is located at 2000 and 2008 Houston Lake Road: Mr. Wood reviewed the second reading of an ordinance de-annexing P49 – 41/42 from the City of Perry.

Mr. Wood advised that based on past policy, the property is not recommended for de-annexation.

8a (2) Second Reading of an ordinance rezoning P49-41/42 from the City of Perry R-2A, Two Family Residential District, to City of Perry R-AG, Residential Agricultural. The property is located at 2000 and 2008 Houston Lake Road: Mr. Wood reviewed the second reading of an ordinance rezoning P49-41/42 from the City of Perry R-2A, Two Family Residential District, to City of Perry R-AG, Residential Agricultural and advised that the Planning Commission recommend approval for rezoning.

10a (1) Resolution establishing a policy relative to use of chain link fencing in certain land use districts: Mr. Gilmour reviewed the resolution establishing a policy relative to use of chain link fencing in certain land use districts.

After a discussion, Mr. Wood recommended, at this time, modification to the resolution (Section 1) to include M-1 and M-2, as an exception along with C-3 (downtown) relative to chain link fence use. Mr. Wood advised he would provide Council with a proposal that addresses the M-1 and M-2 areas.

Council concurred to accept the modification.

10a (2) Resolution authorizing submission of a Community Development Block Grant application to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for funding of housing rehabilitation and reconstruction. Mr. Smith advised the resolution establishes the intent of the City to prepare and submit a FY 2017 CDBG application by the April 3, 2017.

10a (3) Authorize Grant Specialists of Georgia, Inc. to submit a Community Development Block grant application to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs on the behalf of the City of Perry. Mr. Smith reviewed the resolution that authorize Grant Specialists of Georgia Inc. to submit a CDBG application on the City's behalf.

10c (1) Resolution declaring official intent to reimburse costs of acquiring vehicles and equipment with tax-exempt financing. Ms. King advised that the proposed resolution is a revision to the resolution passed in July 2016.

10c (2) Resolution accepting the maintenance of certain infrastructure at Blackhawk Phase 1, Section 3. Mr. McMurrian advised that Blackhawk Phase 1 was inspected and found to meet the requirements of acceptance. Mr. McMurrian recommended a resolution accepting the maintenance of certain infrastructure at Blackhawk Phase 1, Section 3.

10d(1) Bid No. 2017-12 St Patrick's Drive 12' Water Main Extension. Mr. McMurrian recommended to award the bid to low bidder, LaKay Enterprises in the amount of \$109,511.

Mr. Walker had questions relative to local vendor preference.

Council agreed that the recommendation to award bid to low bidder would be subject to local bid, if applicable.

10d(2) Bid No. 2017-15 Demolition of old animal shelter. Chief Lynn recommended award of the bid to the low bidder who met all the bid requirements, Level Line Inc. in the amount of \$8,800.00.

10d(3) Bid No. 2017-16 Purchase of one(1) 4x4 Crew Cab Light-Duty Rescue Truck. Chief Parker recommended award to the low bidder, Fouts Bros., Inc. in the amount of \$103,600.00.

Council Member Hunt expressed his concerns relative to the purchase of the rescue truck. Council Member Walker advised that the truck was budgeted.

10e. Approval of intergovernmental agreement between City of Perry, Houston County Board of Elections and Houston County Board of Commissioners for operation of 2017 Municipal Election. Mr. Gilmour recommended approval of the intergovernmental agreement, subject to the City Attorney's office.

10f. Approval of Task Order 28 for Stormwater Asset Mapping Phase 2 project. Mr. McMurrian recommends approval of Task Order 28 for Stormwater Asset Mapping Phase 2 project to Constantine Engineering in the amount of \$58,480.00.

10g. Request for septic tank and well for 2008 Hwy 127. Mr. Wood reviewed Mr. Desmond Scott Ritchie's request for a septic tank and well.

Mr. Wood advised that Mr. Ritchie is aware of all the fire, building and zoning requirements. Mr. Gilmour reminded Mr. Wood to be sure Mr. Ritchie is aware of what was recently passed relative to wells in the city.

4. Department Heads Items:

Mr. Dye, Mr. Wood, Chief Parker, Ms. Palmer, Mr. Schell, Mr. Smith, and Mr. McMurrian had no reports.

Ms. King provided clarification to a question asked earlier by stating that according to purchasing policy states that the local vendor preference shall not apply to public works bids as defined by the state of Georgia.

Chief Lynn reminded everyone of Tom Daly's retirement luncheon. It will be held at the Perry Arts Center on April 4, 2017 at lunchtime.

Mr. Gilmour provided Council photos depicting a portion of Main Street that fronts JMA Architecture to the Bank of Perry. He reminded Council of their approval to the installation of street lighting and brick sidewalk. He advised that the current contract does not include installation of the brick sidewalk. He recommends amendment to include the brick sidewalk.

The consensus of Council was to proceed with the installation of the brick sidewalk.

Assistant City Attorney Hulbert had no report.

Mayor Faircloth, Jr. advised that he had several complaints, primarily from the downtown merchants relative to the large amount of trash during Peaches to the Beaches. He also stated, during Peaches to the Beaches, that there is a serious safety issue with people stopping in the middle of the road, slamming on breaks, and walking between cars without warning, etc. Mayor Faircloth, Jr. asked Chief Lynn to think about what can be done to address this issue.

5. Council Member Items:

Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson, Council Members Bynum-Grace, Walker, Jones, and King had not reports.

Council Member Hunt stated his concerns relative to pavement required under vehicles.

6. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held March 21, 2017 Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.