

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
April 4, 2017  
**6:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson, Presiding Officer, called to order the regular meeting of the Perry City Council held April 4, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll.

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., and Council Member Randall Walker

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Assistant City Attorney Matthew Hulbert, and Recording Clerk, Cyndi Houser.

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

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): Tom and Karen Daly and family, members of the Police Department, Darlene McLendon – Perry Chamber of Commerce, and Walt and Becky Wood.

Media: Kristin Moriarty - Houston Home Journal, and Marigrace Segó-ComSouth 100.

3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson Council Member King rendered the invocation and Council Member Hunt led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

4. Recognition(s)/Presentation(s): Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson

\* Recognition of Detective Tom Daly – Chief Lynn

Chief Lynn and Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson presented a certificate and other memorabilia Detective Daly and Ms. Daly upon his retirement from the Perry Police Department.

Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson deviated from the agenda to recognize a community partner update from Ms. Darlene McLendon, Perry Area Chamber of Commerce.

Ms. McLendon provided an update of events for the Dogwood Festival scheduled for April 8 & 9, 2017. She then presented Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson and Council with a print of the annual Dogwood Festival painting.

5. Citizens with Input. None

6. Public Hearing: Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson

PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:13 P.M. Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson called to order a public hearing at 6:13 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).

6a. Amendment to the Perry Land Development Ordinance, Section 92.1.1(2)(c), 131.5, and 148.2.5 as it relates to the standards for cul-de-sacs and dead end street turnarounds.

Staff report: Mr. Wood noted this amendment is to bring the current ordinance in alignment with the International Fire Code standards for streets over 500' in length. An informational meeting was held on March 3, 2017.

For: None

Opposed: Chad Bryant, Ocmulgee Engineering, expressed concern regarding the standards and the economic effect on subdivision development, traffic safety, and higher maintenance costs. He also noted all streets should be standardized.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT 6:20 P.M. Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson closed the public hearing at 6:20 p.m.

7. Review of Minutes: Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson

7a. Council's Consideration – Minutes of the March 6, 2017 joint meeting of Council and the Perry Planning Commission, March 20, 2017 work session, March 21, 2017 pre council meeting and March 21, 2017 council meeting. Council Member Bynum-Grace moved to accept the minutes as submitted; Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried with Council Member Jones abstaining for the March 6, 2017 meeting.

8. Old Business: Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson

8a. Ordinance(s) for Second Reading(s) and Adoption:

1. Adopted Ordinance No. 2017-05 rezoning of property from OC, Office Commercial to M-2, Industrial. The property is located at 704 and 708 Ball Street. Mr. Wood explained the Planning Commission recommended approval with certain conditions which the prospective purchaser is

agreeable to. Council Member Jones moved to adopt the ordinance for rezoning of property located at 704 and 708 Ball Street from OC, Office Commercial to C2, General Commercial with following conditions recommended by the Planning Commission: 1) A 6' tall wood fence be installed along the north and east property lines adjacent to residentially zoned properties and 2) Any chain link fence on front property be black vinyl. Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance 2017-05 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

2. Adopted Ordinance No. 2017-06 amending the Perry Land Development Ordinance, Section 106-Signs. Mr. Wood advised this was a correction for standards in the form based code. Council Member Bynum-Grace moved to adopt the amendment for the Perry Land Development, Section 106-Signs. Council Member King seconded and it carried unanimously. (*Ordinance 2017-06 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).

9. Any Other Old Business: Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson

- 9a. Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson - None
- 9b. Council Members - None
- 9c. City Manager Lee Gilmour - None
- 9d. Assistant City Attorney Matthew Hulbert - None

10. New Business: Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson

10a. Matters referred from the April 3, 2017 work session and the April 4, 2017 pre council meeting.

1. Authorization to replace a part of the HVAC system in the Public Safety Building – Mr. Gilmour

Mr. Gilmour advised that two (2) estimates were obtained and Administration recommended the low bid of \$5,181 from Sullivan Heating and Cooling. Council Member Hunt moved to award the low bid of \$5,181 from Sullivan Heating and Cooling to repair part of the HVAC system in the Public Safety Building. Council Member Jones seconded and it carried unanimously.

10b. Ordinance(s) for First Reading(s) and Introduction:

1. First Reading of an ordinance amending the Perry Land Development Ordinance, Section 92.10.1(2)(c), 131.5, and 148.2.5 as it relates to the standards for cul-de-sacs and dead-end street turnarounds. – Mr. Wood noted this is a request to make the cul-de-sacs and dead-end street turnarounds standard. (*No action required by Council*)
2. First Reading of an ordinance to amend the Perry Code by deleting Section 15-53 in its entirety and adding a new Section 15.53 – Collection

of tax by lodging provider. Ms. King advised this amendment was done to correct conflicting rates and clean up the code to the current rate of 7%. *(No action required by Council)*

10c. Resolution(s) for Consideration and Adoption:

1. Adopted Resolution 2017-14 authorizing the Perry Fire and Emergency Services Department to join the Georgia Mutual Aid Group. Chief Parker advised there is no charge to join in this group and would provide easier access to mutual aid from across the state as well as provide training. Council Member Jones moved to approve joining the Georgia Mutual Aid Group. Council Member Hunt seconded and it carried unanimously.
2. Adopted Resolution 2017-15 appointing Mayor Faircloth a voting delegate for the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia's Annual Election. Mr. Gilmour stated this is an annual election and the recommendation is Mayor Faircloth as the voting delegate and Council Member Walker as the alternate. Council Member Bynum-Grace moved to elect Mayor Faircloth as the voting delegate and Council Member Walker as the alternate to the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia. Council Member Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

10d. Award of Bid(s):

1. Approval of Bid 2017-18 Two (2) 15' Flex Wing Mowers – Ms. King

Ms. King presented for Council's consideration an award of bid for two (2) 15' Flex Wing Mowers for use by the Public Works Street Department. Staff recommended awarding the bid for both mowers to Walker-Rhodes Tractor Company for \$32,000. Council Member King moved to award the low bid to Walker-Rhodes Tractor for two (2) Flex Wing Mowers for \$32,000. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. Approval of Bid 2017-19 One (1) 60" front deck mower - Ms. King

Ms. King presented for Council's consideration an award of bid for use by the Public Works Street Department for one (1) 60" front deck mower. Staff recommended awarding the bid to Walker-Rhodes Tractor Company for \$15,071. Council Member Jones moved to award the low bid to Walker-Rhodes Tractor Company for \$15,071. Council Member King seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of awarding the contract to evaluate the sewer main and manholes on Ball, Jernigan and Washington Streets - Mr. McMurrian

Mr. McMurrian presented for Council's consideration an award of contract for evaluation of the sewer main and manholes on Ball, Jernigan and Washington Streets. Staff recommended awarding the contract to

low bidder Georgia Water and Environmental Services for \$28,295. It will be paid from the Water Revenue Fund. Council Member Bynum-Grace moved to award the contract as recommended to Georgia Water and Environmental Services for \$28,295. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

4. Approval of a wrap for the command post vehicle – Chief Lynn

Chief Lynn presented for Council's consideration an award of bid for a wrap for the command post vehicle. Staff recommended awarding the low bid of \$6,772 to Ibalz of Warner Robins. Council Member Jones moved to award the low bid of \$6,772 to Ibalz of Warner Robins for the command post vehicle wrap. Council Member King seconded and it carried unanimously.

10e. Approval of local LMIG contract – Mr. C. McMurrian

Mr. McMurrian presented for Council's consideration an award of bid for the LMIG funds. Mr. McMurrian noted that the contract will be in done in conjunction with Houston County and staff recommended approval to award the contract to Georgia Asphalt. Council Member Jones moved to award the contract to Georgia Asphalt in conjunction with the Houston County Board of Commissions for the LMIG projects. Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

11. Supplemental Agenda

11a. Declaration for keeping Creekwood Pool open for the summer of 2017 – Council Member P. Bynum-Grace.

Council Member Bynum-Grace was concerned that because the splash pad has not been started, the pool at Creekwood Park would not be open this summer. Council Member Jones moved to declare the Council will keep the Creekwood Pool open this summer. Council Member King seconded the declaration and it carried unanimously.

12. Council Member Items

No reports from Council Members Bynum-Grace, King and Hunt

Council Member Jones cautioned everyone to be careful during the predicated severe weather for Wednesday.

13. Department Head Items.

Mr. Wood introduced Rosalind Jemison the new Code Compliance Specialist for Community Development. He also announced there were 77 new single home permits in the first quarter; new subdivisions are increasing; commercial permits included Starbucks and Tractor Supply and there are also a number in-house for review.

Mr. Smith reminded everyone of the housing fair to be held April 27<sup>th</sup> at Creekwood Pavilion and a neighborhood clean-up will be held on April 29<sup>th</sup> in the Ochlahatchee area.

Mr. Dye

- Registration for spring basketball ends April 7<sup>th</sup>.
- A fishing rodeo will be on April 22<sup>nd</sup> which includes a reptile display

Chief Lynn noted there is a plan in place for the anticipated severe weather.

Chief Parker:

- Provided details from the county-wide EMS meeting
- Monday's weather confirmed 30 calls in Perry and 140 county-wide along with 3 confirmed tornadoes
- There was reported structural damage from Monday's weather.

Ms. King, Ms. Palmer and Mr. Schell had no reports.

14. General Public Items: None
15. Mayor Items: None
16. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in the regular meeting held April 4, 2017 Council Member Hunt motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.