

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
May 2, 2017
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the pre council meeting held May 2, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official(s) Absent: None

City Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney David Walker, and Recording Clerk, Annie Warren.

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, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services, John Schell – Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, Chad McMurrin – Lead Engineering Technician, Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager, Cyndi Houser – Executive Secretary, Nancy Graham – Executive Secretary, Gail Price – Secretary, Janet Duffin- Executive Secretary, and Joni Ary – Accounting Technician.

Guests: None

Media: Kirstin Moriarty – Houston Home Journal and Wayne Crenshaw – Macon Telegraph.

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

3a. Discussion of May 2, 2017 council meeting agenda – Mayor Faircloth.

7a. Petition for Rezoning and Annexation Application No. R-17-03. Mr. Wood reviewed the request for rezoning and annexation of property consisting of 107.11 acres from Houston County R-1, to City of Perry R-2, Two Family Residential District and C-2, General Commercial District. Mr. Wood advised Mayor and Council the applicant modified their application by removing the commercial zoning request and limiting residential uses in the R-2, Two-Family Residential District to single-family detached dwellings only. The City requests GU, Government Use for the use of its 0.21 acres parcel. Staff recommended approval of the modified application. Mayor and Council discussed the letter received from the City Attorney relative to possible

arbitration with the County. Administration recommended proceeding with the public hearing, forward the recommendation from staff to the County and let them decide what they want to do.

7b. Petition for Rezoning Application No. R-17-05. Mr. Wood reviewed the request and advised the Perry Planning Commission recommended approval of the application.

9a (1). Second Reading of an ordinance to amend the Perry Code by deleting Section 4-21 in its entirety and adding a new Section 4-21 Unified Animal Control – Definitions. Chief Lynn stated the ordinance has been reviewed by the City Attorney and he concurs with the amendment.

11c (1). Resolution to amend the Perry Fee Schedule. Administration recommended addition to fee schedule to add a permit fee for individual wells.

11d. Establish a commercial Letter of Credit for Perry Preserve streets. Mr. McMurrian reviewed with Mayor and Council and recommended Council require the developer post a Letter of Credit totaling \$175,000.

11e.(1). The Perry Chamber of Commerce is hosting its Independence Parade and Freedom Fireworks event on Sunday, June 25, 2017, beginning at 6 p.m.

a. Approval of street closures – Chief S. Lynn. Chief Lynn advised the police department reviewed the request and recommended approval.

4. Council Members Items:

Council had no reports.

Mr. Gilmour

- The HEAT (Heating Energy Assistance Team, Inc.) is requesting utility customer contributions to Heat program. Mr. Gilmour requested authorization to send out notices and Council concurred to proceed.
- The Chamber purchased the Coffee Cup.

Attorney Walker had no report.

5. Department Head Items:

Chief Lynn, Chief Parker and Mr. Schell had no reports.

Mr. Wood provided an update relative to the email he received about Ramada Inn issues.

Mr. Smith

- The century plant in front of the Dollar General store on General Courtney Hodges Boulevard is set to bloom.
- Housing Team Fair was postponed due to the weather.

- Neighborhood clean-up at Ochlahatchee neighborhood was successful.
- Proposed changing out City wall plaque in Council Chambers and Municipal Court room with an oval branding plaque and installing a branding plaque on the Arts Center podium. Council concurred to proceed with the proposal.

Mr. Dye reported on the Fishing Rodeo.

Mayor Faircloth's items:

- May 9th, Parcel tour at 5:30 p.m.
- Dinner invites relative to GMA
- May 23rd, Walk with May and Council

6. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held May 2, 2017 Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m.; Council Member King seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.