

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
July 18, 2017
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson, Presiding Officer, called to order the pre council meeting held July 18, 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, Willie King, Robert Jones, and Randall Walker.

Elected Official(s) Absent: Council Member Riley Hunt

*Mayor Faircloth arrived at 5:17 pm

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

Departmental Staffing: Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Battalion Chief Robbie Rowell – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Robert Smith – Economic Development Director, Kevin Dye –Director of Leisure Services, Brenda King – Director of Administration, John Schell – Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, and Chad McMurrian – Lead Engineering Technician.

Guests: None

Media: Kirstin Moriarty and Cheri Adams – Houston Home Journal.

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

3a. Discussion of July 18, 2017 council meeting agenda – Mayor Pro Tempore William Jackson.

6a. Petition for Rezoning application No. R-17-06

1. Mr. Wood reviewed the application for rezoning from City of Perry R-2, Two Family Residential District to City of Perry NMU, Neighborhood Mixed Use District. Staff recommended approval with the condition that the entrance not be on Bradley Street to limit the traffic in the neighborhood. Planning Commission recommended approval as submitted.

9b. Presentation relative to playground revitalization program - Mr. Dye advised the presentation will show proposed improvements for Rozar, Calhoun, Creekwood and some of the “pocket parks”.

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

1. Resolution Amending the City of Perry Personnel Management System. Mr. Gilmour advised two items needed to be updated: make the probation period for all departments 365 days; and change the policy for annual leave from “use it or lose it” to roll over to the next year, but retain the cap in the event an employee separates subject to legal review.

*Mayor Faircloth assumed the presiding officer duties.

2. Resolution amending the City of Perry Fee Schedule. Mr. Gilmour reviewed the changes in the Fee Schedule noting this is done annually after Council adopts an operating budget. Most items increased by 2-1/2%, but some stayed the same based on state law or decreased based on actual costs involved.

9e. Award of Bid 2017-26 Emergency Sewer Rehab at Tucker Road and Ball Street. Mr. McMurrian stated bids were solicited for this project from four (4) contractors. Only two (2) responded and staff and Georgia Water & Environmental services recommended the low bidder, The Renee Group, LLC, Atlanta, be awarded the contract.

9f. Special Events Application request from the Perry Main Street Promotion Committee. Chief Lynn stated the Main Street Promotion Committee in coordination with the Georgia National Fairgrounds Barrel Horse racing event will be sponsoring a movie night on the old Courthouse lawn on Sunday July 23, 2017 from 7:30-11:00 pm. He further stated that no businesses would be impacted by the street closures because it is a Sunday evening event.

4. Council Members Items:

Mayor Pro Tempore Jackson and Council Members Bynum-Grace, King, Jones and Walker had no reports.

Mr. Gilmour and Assistant Attorney Hulbert had no reports.

5. Department Head Items:

Ms. King, Battalion Chief Rowell, Mr. Schell and Mr. McMurrian had no reports.

Mr. Dye stated the early registration for football, soccer, and cheerleading ended last Friday; late fees will apply for anyone signing up this week.

Mr. Smith inquired if Council would be interested in a site visit from the State Department of Community Affairs. This will offer staff and council an opportunity to show off the good things the City is doing.

Mr. Wood provided a map regarding a possible annexation from a developer. Council discussed the parcel and noted the same developer had requested de-annexation several years ago. It may not be possible to annex back into the City because of the service area agreement with Warner Robins. Council concurred to keep service area the same.

Chief Lynn announced the police department had received a \$15,000 grant which will be used for equipment in the patrol cars including printers tied to the E-ticket software.

7. Adjourn: There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held July 18, 2017, Council Member Walker motioned to adjourn at 5:44 p.m.; Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.