

**CITY OF PERRY
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MAY 20, 2021**

Mayor Clay McHardie called the May 20, 2021 meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll was called. Members present were Mayor Clay McHardie, council members R.J. Brown, Derek Aldrich and Sheri Kuenzi. Council member Jason Phillips was absent.

MINUTES

Council member Brown moved to approve the April 14, 2021 and March 24, special meeting minutes. Council member Aldrich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Council member Aldrich moved to approve the accounts payable. Council member Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Council member Aldrich made a motion to accept the resignation from council member Ross Smith. Council member Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Clay McHardie made a recommendation to appoint Issy Higgins to fill the vacant council seat left by Ross Smith.

Council member Aldrich made a motion to accept the Mayors recommendation to appoint Issy Higgins to fill the vacant council seat. Council member Kuenzi seconded the motion. Motion carried. Issy Higgins was sworn in as council member by City Clerk Vicki Walbridge.

NEW BUSINESS

Pat Dick was present to discuss the road leading to her property on south Cedar Street. The road needs to be clarified to make it compliant with the county. City attorney Hendricks will write a letter to the county on behalf of Miss Dick.

Brett Wagner with GAS was present to discuss with the council about types of grants that are available.

EMPLOYEE AND COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS OR CONCERNS

Eugene brought to the attention of the council his concerns about residents wanting to put shipping containers in their back yards. Attorney Hendricks will send a copy of an Ordinance that other cities he works with have used for our review.

Mayor McHardie opened the Zoning hearing at 7:19 p.m. Dave Hamby was preset to explain the request of changing the zoning from R-1 to R-2. Council member Brown recused himself from the council due to personal involvement. Mayor McHardie closed the public hearing at 7:26 p.m.

Council member Aldrich made a motion to accept the recommendation from the planning and zoning commission to change the zoning on the plot of land Mr. Brown owns from R-1 to R-2. Council member Kuenzi seconded the motion. Council member Brown abstained. Motion carried.

Council member Brown made a motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes under the accusation of real estate exception and to include the city attorney and Wayne Ledbetter. Motion was seconded by council member Aldrich.

Council member Brown made a motion to go back into executive session for another 10 minutes to include city attorney and Wayne Ledbetter under the accusation of real estate exception. Council member Aldrich seconded the motion.

Council member Brown made a motion to go into executive session for 5 minutes to include attorney Hendricks and Gene under the attorney client exception to discuss easements. Council member Aldrich seconded the motion.

Council member Brown made a motion to go back into executive session for another 5 minutes to include Lee and Gene under the attorney client exception to discuss easements. Council member Aldrich seconded the motion.

Council member Brown made a motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes to include the city attorney and Wayne Ledbetter under the attorney client exception to discuss contract negotiations. Council member Aldrich seconded the motion.

Council member Brown made a motion to go back into executive session for another 10 minutes to include Lee and Wayne under the attorney client exception to discuss contract negotiations. Council member Aldrich seconded the motion.

Regular meeting beck in session.

APPOINTMENTS

Mayor McHardie made the recommendation to appoint the following positions. Vicki Walbridge City Clerk, Eugene Dick Maintenance Supervisor & Zoning Administrator, Pat Gottstien Assistant Maintenance Supervisor, Tyler Wade Part Time Police Chief & Code Enforcement officer, Dennis Reiling Municipal Judge, Ruth Ellis Treasure, Eric Spreer Fire Chief and Lee Hendricks City Attorney.

Council member Aldrich made a motion to accept the mayor's recommendation. Council member Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor McHardie made the recommendation to appoint council member Aldrich as water commissioner, council member Phillips sanitation commissioner, council member Higgins as light commissioner, council member Kuenzi sewer commissioner and council member Brown as parks & rec. commissioner.

Council member Aldrich made a motion of accept the mayor's recommendation. Council member Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council member Aldrich made a motion to appoint council member Brown as president of the council. Council member Kuenzi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Council member Brown made a motion to adjourn. Council member Aldrich seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.