PERRY CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORK SESSION
PERRY CITY OFFICES
APRIL 14, 2011  6:30 PM

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Jerry Nelson presided and conducted the meeting.
Tom Peterson, Boyd Malan, Karen Cronin, Bill Walker

OFFICIALS ABSENT: Marci Satterthwaite

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Duncan Murray, City Administrator
Susan Obray, City Recorder
Shanna Johnson, Chief Deputy Recorder

OTHERS PRESENT: Lani Braithwaite, Morgan Lyon, Camille Hurst, Fairon Burton, Norman Nelson

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order.

A. BUDGET WORK SESSION
Shanna Johnson presented the planned revenues for a proposed amendment to the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 (FY2011) Budget and the proposed tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 (FY2012). She advised that the City originally anticipated receiving $1,596,727 in revenues for FY2011, but projections show that only $1,451,225 will be collected. She said department budgets have been adjusted to reflect the drop in revenue. She explained the revenues for next year (FY2012) will be very similar to what was received in FY2011; there is no planned change in property tax, sales tax, or charges for service. She said the City plans to receive $1,471,331 in revenues, the increase is due to not having to address a negative fund balance. She said she has budgeted impact fees into a suspense account in order to ensure that they are not planned for operations, but for future improvements. She explained the only revenue account that is projected differently than FY2011 is the Miscellaneous Income account, which is projected to receive $3,000 instead of $17,503; this is because the City is not anticipating receiving insurance rebates that were received in FY2011. Shanna advised the current budget intends to use $12,000 of the Class B Road fund balance from FY2011 to chip seal 2000 South in FY2012. This work is usually completed in August so it will be necessary to carry over the balance from FY2011 into FY2012 to achieve this. Shanna said she is still working on the budget and the revenue projections may change. She said she has not yet balanced expenditures to the planned revenues but is close with only $1,031.65 left out of balance. She stated this would be split across the departments if necessary. She said that this budget would address a benefit increase of up to 18% and currently does not include any merit increases for employees. She said if a merit increase were included the expenditures would be $13,695.83 over planned revenues. She said this could change pending what benefit costs come in at. Shanna said the City is currently in the process of looking at benefit options and costs. Council Member Cronin asked if our current benefit provider has a wellness program. Shanna advised it has a wellness discount program, but not an incentive program. Shanna asked the Council to take the draft budget with them and review their department’s budgets to see if there is anything that they would like changed. Shanna expressed concerns over fines and forfeitures, stating that the police department feels the amount received may not be accurate. She said that GRAMA
requests have been submitted requesting a breakdown of fees collected by the County and how they calculate Perry City’s share. The County’s response is that they are unable to provide this data due to system limitations. Mayor Nelson said the City needs to begin tracking how many tickets are given and try to calculate what should be received, then address this with our County Commissioners.

**ITEM 11: ADJOURNMENT**
Mayor Nelson closed the work session at 7:00 p.m.

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Susan Obray, City Recorder              Jerry Nelson, Mayor

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Shanna Johnson, Chief Deputy Recorder