

September 9, 2014, City Council Work Session Minutes

Mayor Stoy, Council Members Eric Bisher, Tommy Guyton, Gary Ates and Andrew Lemmon present along with Interim City Manager Jerry Murkerson, City Attorney Leo Phillips and City Clerk Lisa Chastain. Absent: Councilmembers Charles Cranford and Willie Basby.

Agenda Items

Item # 1 – Presented by Interim City Manager Jerry Murkerson

Ordinance 08-14; Amendment of Ordinance setting forth budget for the City of Cochran because of a change from a calendar year to a fiscal year.

Item # 2 - Presented by Interim City Manager Jerry Murkerson

Ordinance 09-14; July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 budget.

Interim City Manager Jerry Murkerson presented Council with budget handouts. This puts us in compliance with DCA rules and regulations. Moving forward, we expect to have amendments to the budget.

Item # 3 - Presented by Interim City Manager Jerry Murkerson

Notification to Council that the City is opening a non-interest bearing checking account designated for ACH credits only for the new CDBG grant. Two signatures will be required for each check written. Permission to sign will be Jerry Murkerson, Interim City Manager, Lisa Chastain, City Clerk, Jill Cooper, Financial Administrator and Mike Stoy, Mayor.

A resolution will be drawn up for the CDBG, as required.

Mayor Updates

Mayor Stoy informed Council that the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) for fire services will expire December 2014. He is requesting a committee made up of county residents, city residents and the Perry Fire Chief to research the possibility of consolidating the city and county fire services.

City Attorney Leo Phillips discussed the dilapidated houses in the city limits. Mr. Phillips will be attending a conference in Athens, GA next week and will find out how other cities are handling dilapidated homes. Council will need to decide if they want to move forward with the city tearing the houses down or contract out to get them torn down.

Work Session adjourned at 6:42 pm.