

Hall: 'My goal has been, and continues to be, responsible and sound fiscal spending'

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Development Council (TDC).

"At the present, I am serving my fourth consecutive year as your mayor. It is important to me to be involved in every aspect of life in our community, but I am particularly interested in helping make Perry a place that our young people can come home to in order to raise their families," Hall said.

"My decision to run for city council in 2014 was initially influenced by a strong desire at the time to see civility restored in city government. Some may recall the time when city council meetings went on for hours and often involved heated exchanges and hate-filled speech between citizens and council members.

"I felt then, and I still feel now, that the people of Perry deserve better than that. More recently there has been some question about whether to allow citizens to interject throughout city council meetings. In weighing this decision, there was no consideration to limiting the participation of my constituents.

"My goal as mayor is, and has been, to maintain

productive, orderly and respectful discourse throughout our city council meetings by adhering to the directives in Florida Statutes regarding the appropriate time for public input from the community.

"I'm proud that over the past eight years while I have served on the city council representing District 4, we've been able to carry on city business in a respectful and responsible manner, and that despite disagreements, we have been able to work together for the good of the city.

"This doesn't mean that we have always agreed on matters that have come before us. 2020 was particularly difficult dealing with the COVID pandemic and the question of mask mandates, for example, but we have always found a way to settle on mutually agreeable solutions, even when complete agreement couldn't be found.

"This is what Christian people who are in positions of public service do. Besides making it a goal to maintain civil discourse between council members and the citizenry of Perry, I want my constituents, and all city residents, to know that despite what some may say, every penny budgeted and spent during my tenure on the council, including

during my four consecutive years as mayor, has been spent within the guidelines set forth in statute and city charter, and annual city audits, which are public record, confirm this fact.

"My goal, has been and continues to be, responsible and sound fiscal spending, and our audit reports reflect that we have succeeded in this," Hall continued.

"The challenge has always been to continue finding opportunities to entice new businesses to our area without risk to our own resources. When our tax base increases, our entire city benefits.

"Recently, times have been hard. It has been difficult to provide the same level of service as we have in the past. Some have called for layoffs, or for city staff to be outright fired, but we have a strong, dedicated group of city employees, and I'm not making decisions that will devastate the lives of our people until there are no more options on the table. Besides, it is not sound decision making to spend precious time and resources training new employees because we sent the ones who were already doing the job well to the house," Hall said.

"I am proud and relieved that finally during my tenure as mayor, the City of

Perry has been able to get to the point that we have a balanced budget without dipping into reserves to achieve it.

"This was important to me and it was worth fighting for. It was a hard sell to some of the other council members, because there's never a shortage of things to accomplish, and we all have an ongoing list of priorities for our respective districts," Hall said.

"But, once again, we were able to hammer out the details and come to an agreement that this is an important accomplishment, and now is the time to get it done.

"Despite it being one of the most contentious decisions of my tenure on the council, there was no shouting nor degrading words exchanged in getting it done. Despite the fact that we want to do all the things brought before us, we are limited in our time and our funds.

"We have to prioritize what gets our focus and when. That is not to say something isn't a worthwhile cause or deserving of our time and money, but, if we have to further raise taxes on city residents to achieve it, is that a wise decision?"

"It might be the popular decision to spend the money,

but is it the right decision at that time?"

"What we can't forget is that the city is comprised of roughly 7,000 citizens whose tax dollars support 100% of every initiative we take on, which means we have to carefully weigh out every single initiative that comes before us.

"City of Perry residents are in the unfortunate position of paying in city and county taxes. The burden is double for city residents, therefore we must be thoughtful in our decision making, even when our, 'No,' or 'Not now,' is not what organizations want to hear from us," Hall said.

"In closing, I just want to thank the citizens of District 4 for the confidence they have placed in me over the past eight years, as well as my fellow council members for asking me to serve as mayor since 2018. I humbly ask for your continued support and your vote on Aug. 23," he said.

Hall added that, in an effort to improve the quality of life and function of local government in Perry, he remains committed to:

- Continuing to maintain civil and respectful interactions with citizens and fellow board members, always approaching my duties in a professional manner.

- Continuing to ensure transparency in my dealings and decision making as a member of our City Council.

- Continuing to act in the best interest of the City of Perry, without any hidden agendas or prejudice. I have no score to settle, and I have voted with and against every other council member on various issues. I have always, and will continue to, vote in ways that benefit every resident in District 4, and the City of Perry, to the best of my ability.

- Continuing work to entice and support new businesses, industries and housing, which has resulted in the opening of Super-Pufft Snack Plant, and the approval of a new multi-million-dollar gated apartment complex.

- Continuing to promote personal and collective responsibility in the revitalization of our historic district, including the Rosehead Park project.

- Continuing to support safety initiatives, such as repairing and replacing all school zone sidewalks, multi-million-dollar upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant, faster pick up of "white-goods" trash, and the repaving of Center Street, all while maintaining one of the lowest utility and tax rates of any of the surrounding counties.

LEGALS

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Seclusion and Physical Restraint for Students with Disabilities
6.39 Revision Report of Misconduct
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6.103 Revision Otp. 2
Appointment or Employment Requirements

A. Name of person presenting the proposed policies: Mr. Robert Edwards Superintendent of Lafayette County Schools. Date of Approval by Board for Advertisement: July 19, 2022.

B. Explanation of the purpose and effect of school board policies: Provide policies required by Florida Statutes (F.S.) State Board of Education Administrative Rules (S.B.E.R.) and other controlling regulations; and to provide policies for matters for which it appears prudent for the orderly operation of the school system.

C. A summary of the proposed policy revisions is as follows: Policies necessary for the effective operation and general improvement of the school system for the District School Board of Lafayette County, Florida.

D. Economic impact of the proposed policies: None
School Board Policies may be examined at the District School Board Office at 363 N.E. Crawford Street, Mayo, Florida between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION.
CASE NO. 2022-343-CP

In Re: Estate of JUDITH KAREN AMAN BAKER, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of JUDITH KAREN AMAN BAKER, deceased, whose date of death was June 15, 2022; File Number 2022-343-CP is pending in the Circuit Court for Taylor County, Florida, Probate

Division, the address of which is Post Office Box 620, Perry, Florida 32348. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's Attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice has been served, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE TIME OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME

PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is: July 27, 2022.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lafayette County School Board will hold a Public Hearing and Workshop on Monday, August 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the School Board Administration Building located at 363 NE Crawford Street, Mayo, FL 32066. The meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are invited to attend. Copies of the proposed agenda will be available online at www.lafayette.k12.fl.us or the Superintendent's office located at 363 NE Crawford Street, Mayo, FL 32066. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any

AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Taylor Storage Center, 3498 Hwy 19 S. Suite 1, Perry, Fla., 32348, has possessory lien on all of the goods stored in the prospective units below. All these items of personal property are being sold pursuant to the assertion of the lien on August 13, 2022, at 10 a.m. in order to collect the amounts due from you. The sale will take place at 3498 Hwy. 19 S. Suite 1, Perry, Fla., 32348. Monica Sipp, Unit #F-09
Sunny Kilpatrick, Unit #2-18
Karen Wiles, Unit #D-04
Jeremiah Cruce, Unit #4A-41
Jackie Faulk, Unit #3-35

Program Supervisor
wanted for the Taylor County Human Services Center

Requirements:
A Master's Degree in a Social or Behavioral Science field and experience with project management and supervisory duties preferred.

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