

**CITY COUNCIL OF TALLADEGA
PRE-COUNCIL
March 2, 2015- 5:00 pm**

Matt Adams and Larry Ward from Raymond James presented to the Council a proposal to refinance the City's 2008 bond at a savings of \$150,000 due to the historically low interest rates and a new Water Department bond for 4.9 million dollars for improvements.

Angie Stevenson came before the Council concerning the deplorable condition of the restrooms and lack of concessions for basketball games. Ms. Stevenson also mentioned that schools that were not in the city limits were not notified of deadlines and other pertinent information for registration.

Mayor Barton presented Resolutions #3442 and #3443 and Certificates of Recognition to the AIDB School for the Blind Redskins Wrestling Team and the AIDB School for the Deaf Silent Warriors Basketball Team.

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
March 2, 2015-5:30 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, March 2, 2015 at 5:30 p.m., at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Ricky Simpson, Councilman Joe Ballow, Councilman Donnie Miller, Councilman Elston, Mayor Larry Barton, and City Manager Brian Muenger.

Invocation by Reverend Hugh Morris of Mt. Canaan Baptist Church.

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second from Councilman Miller to approve invoices and expenditures. AYES: All.

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 2/16/2015 to 2/27/2015 **\$1,065,080.89**

General Operating Account	1,029,425.57
Corrections	11,735.31
CDBG Fund	280.00
RBEG Fund	294.97
TPD Fund	21,385.02
Capital Improvement Fund	1,960.02

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Ballow for approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 19, 2015. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Elston to approve the street closure for the April in Talladega Block Party. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Ballow to waive the open container law for the April in Talladega Block Party. AYES: Council President Simpson, Councilman Ballow, and Councilman Miller NAYS: Councilman Elston

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second from Councilman Elston to approve Clark Patterson to the Cheaha Mental Health Board. AYES: Council President Simpson, Councilman Ballow, and Councilman Elston ABSTAIN: Councilman Miller

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Ballow to excuse Councilman Patterson absence from today's meeting. AYES: All.

Ordinance No. 1793 requiring a burning permit from the Fire Department for outdoor fires.

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second from Councilman Miller for Immediate Consideration of Ordinance #1793. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Miller for reading of the heading only. Roll Call. AYES: All.

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE BURNING OF MATERIALS OR MAINTAINING OF FIRES OUTDOORS WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF TALLADEGA, ALABAMA WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING A BURNING PERMIT FROM THE TALLADEGA FIRE CHIEF.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Ballow for the adoption of Ordinance #1793. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #3442 honoring the AIDB School for the Blind Redskins Wrestling Team

Resolution #3443 honoring the AIDB School for the Deaf Silent Warriors Basketball Team

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Ballow to approve Resolution #3442 and Resolution #3443. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #3444 authorizing removal of junk cars and assessing lien for cost of abatement to 115 Lane Street.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Ballow to approve Resolution #3444. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #3445 authorizing a travel advance for Revenue Officer Ken Heath for mandatory training conference in Tuscaloosa.

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second from Councilman Elston to approve Resolution #3445. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #3446 approving application for two Alabama Historic Commission Grants totaling \$15,000 with a 20% local match of \$3,000.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Miller to approve Resolution #3446. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #3447 approving a grant agreement with East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission for funds and services for the Senior Nutrition Program for FY2015.

Resolution #3448 approving funding for 10 extra daily meals for the Senior Nutrition Program.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Ballow to approve Resolution #3447 and Resolution #3448. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #3449 adopting a job description for the position of City Manager.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Ballow to approve Resolution #3449. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #3450 approving the purchase from Ed's Public Safety of fifty Glock Model 41 pistols for a total cost of \$6,832.00

Resolution #3451 surplusizing 47 Glock 22 and 7 Glock 27 handguns from the Police Department.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Ballow to approve Resolution #3450 and Resolution #3451. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #3452 approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Dr. Suzanne Cooper.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Miller to approve Resolution #3452. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second by Councilman Miller to approve the invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. AYES: All.

Water Department Expenditures for 2/19/15 to 2/26/15	\$ 1,241,463.89
Operations & Maintenance	95,894.16
Revenue	1,144,904.73
Construction & Improvement	665.00

Resolution #3453 approving an agreement with John and Henrietta Lawler for a grinder pump at 507 Martin Luther King Drive.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Ballow to approve Resolution #3453. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #3454 approving Change Order No. 2 on the Harmon Park Well Project.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Miller to approve Resolution #3454. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Councilman Miller noted that Dr. Toole passed away last week at the age of 103 years old. Councilman Elston acknowledged the success of the Talladega High School basketball boys and girls team. Councilman Ballow recognized Judge Nelson in the audience and commented that he had received complaints about the long wait time during Municipal Court. There was some discussion on this matter.

Ms. Lawler spoke to her concerns on the agreement with the City for the installation of the grinder pump at her residence. She asked about the warranty on the pump. Cathy Fuller, Acting Water Department Director, stated that it had a 3 year warranty and a 10-15 life expectancy on the grinder pump. Ms. Lawler stated that she was aware of cracks in the sewer lines in her neighborhood. City Manager Muenger addressed the issue by stating that there were some cracks in the sewer lines along Howard Street in a densely populated area and that the City was working toward correcting the situation but unfortunately it would not happen quickly and would involve expending a large capital outlay of funds.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Miller to adjourn the meeting.

AUTHENTICATION

I, Elizabeth Cheeks, City Clerk of the City of Talladega, Alabama, do hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the City Council of Talladega, Alabama, which met in a regular session on Monday, March 2, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.