

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**April 18, 2016-5:30 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, April 18, 2016 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 Horace Patterson, Councilman Ricky Simpson, Councilman Gerald Cooper, Sr., Councilman David Street, Councilman Jarvis Elston, Mayor Jerry Cooper, Sr., and City Manager Patrick Bryant.

Invocation by Revered Hugh Morris.

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

**Total Invoices & Expenditures for 4/1/2016 to 4/15/2016                    \$922,791.78**

General Operating Account	586,633.38
Law Enforcement	2,070.00
Senior Nutrition	50,944.42
Cash Bond	500.00
Corrections	55,089.78
RBEG Fund	17,016.00
Cemetery Fund	3,396.04
Capital Improvement Fund	207,142.16

Motion by Councilman Cooper with a second from Councilman Simpson for approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 4, 2016. AYES: All.

City Manager Bryant wished to congratulate student intern Derek Brumfield on his graduating from Talladega College in May and expressed his appreciation for all his hard work during his time at City Hall.

The presentation on the 2015 CAFR was deferred to Jason Harpe and Carley Ezell of CRI. The city auditors praised the City and the Finance Director for the sound financial practices.

Council President Patterson deferred to City Manager Bryant concerning the City Clean Up Days at the Recycle Center. The clean-up day will be coinciding with Earth Day and City Manager Bryant invited the community to come with all their recyclables as well as hazardous household products, electronics, tires, etc.

Council President Patterson wished to acknowledge the presence of City Attorney Michael O'Brien. Attorney O'Brien was asked to speak upon the allowances for Executive Sessions. He stated that the discussion of job performance of any employee who must file a State of Economic Interest form must be done in open Council only.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Cooper to re-appoint Judge Mark Nelson as Municipal Court Judge. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Elston to appoint Councilman Cooper to the Council seat on the Planning Commission. AYES: All.

Brought before the Council were two resignations from members of the Historic Preservation Commission. These vacancies are currently being advertised.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of an alcohol license 011-Lounge Retail Liquor-Class II (Package) for NSN Package LLC located at 499 West Street North. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Simpson, Councilman Cooper, and Councilman Street ABSTAIN: Councilman Elston

Council President Patterson deferred to City Manager Bryant concerning the TAP Grant award for Courthouse Square ADA Upgrades project. The City of Talladega was awarded funds through the Federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) in the amount of \$396,734.00. The City allocated \$180,000.00 in the Capital Improvement Plan 16/17 as the 20% grant match and engineering cost for this project. Funding from the TAP grant will be used to address issues around the Court Square such as ADA upgrades to the crosswalks, installing an ADA compliant ramp on the Battle Street side of the Square; additional landscaping, irrigation system, and benches and trash receptacles.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Street to approve the waiver of business license fees for vendors for the Dega Doggie Day. AYES: All.

**Resolution #3819** approving the Declaration of Restriction and Limitation of Use on the deed to Veterans Park as required by LWCF grant guidelines.

Motion by Councilman Street with a second from Councilman Cooper to approve Resolution #3819. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #3820** approving the purchase of six police department vehicles from Opelika Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram for a total cost of \$168,295.80.

Motion by Councilman Street with a second from Councilman Cooper to approve Resolution #3820. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Council requested Chief Busby look into the cost of adding the quote “To protect and serve” on the police cars.

**Resolution #3821** approving the surplus of six vehicles from the Police Department.

Motion by Councilman Street with a second from Councilman Cooper to approve Resolution #3821. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #3822** approval for use of Talladega County funds for improvements to water system on Municipal Airport property. *(memo included and resolutions will be presented during council meeting)*

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper to approve Resolution #3822. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper to approve the invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. AYES: All.

<b>Water Department Expenditures for 3/6/16-3/14/2016</b>	<b>\$ 633,392.85</b>
Operations & Maintenance	220,696.49
Revenue	412,696.36

City Manager Bryant commented that the Public Library will be closed Wednesday for in-service training.

Councilman Simpson requested an update on the well. City Manager Bryant stated that they were looking at several other options at the moment and that they were no longer drilling the well.

Councilman Street wished to thank the City for the additional spraying for mosquitos.

Councilman Elston informed the Council that there would be another Knoxville Cemetery Clean-up day on April 23 from 7am-11am.

Motion by Councilman Simpson to adjourn.

Minutes Recorded by: Joanna Medlen

**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, April 18, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers in the City of Talladega, Alabama.