

**CITY COUNCIL OF TALLADEGA
REGULAR MEETING
May 21, 2018-5:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, May 21, 2018 at 5:00 p.m., at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Gerald Cooper, Councilman Horace Patterson, Councilman David Street, Councilman Jarvis Elston, and City Manager Patrick Bryant.

Invocation by Craig Little of Southside Baptist Church.

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 5/7/2018 to 5/18/2018 **\$133,446.75**

General Operating Account	132,104.36
Corrections Fund	1,267.39
Capital Projects Trust Fund	75.00

Motion by Councilman Street with a second from Councilman Patterson for approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 7, 2018. AYES: All.

Public Hearing on vacation of an undeveloped section of Welch Avenue. There were no citizens or property owners present to comment or complain.

Kerisha Wilson came before the Council requesting them to set a sponsorship amount for the Central Alabama 40 Under 40 which was approved during the last Council meeting. Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Street to approve \$500 toward the Central Alabama 40 Under 40. AYES: All.

Reverend Hugh Morris came before the Council along with the NAACP Scholarship Committee to thank them for their support.

The presence of the Talladega County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was acknowledged and offered their support to the City.

Council President Cooper deferred to City Manager Bryant concerning the longevity component to the previously discussed compensation plan. City Manager Bryant stated that if an additional two steps are added to those with over 10 years of service the potential cost would be over \$230,000, with the cost increasing as more employees reach longevity. City Manager Bryant indicated that he had contacted GEDI who had prepared the original plan for their input on how longevity could be compensated. Their recommendation was for a monthly stipend to be added consisting of \$5.00 per year of service over ten years.

Resolution #4422 approving a contract with AIDB for preparing lunches for the Summer Food Program at a cost of \$2.76/meal.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Elston to approve Resolution #4422. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #4423 approving the vacation of an undeveloped section of Welch Avenue.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Street to approve Resolution #4423. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #4424 approving contract with Pyro Shows of Alabama for the 4th of July fireworks display for a total cost of \$10,000.00.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Street to approve Resolution #4424. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

Water Department Expenditures for May 5-May 18, 2018

\$526,718.96

Operations & Maintenance	217,894.07
Capital Improvements	308,824.89

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Patterson to excuse the absence of Councilman Simpson. AYES: All.

City Manager Bryant wished to recognize Terry Hanner for achieving a Risk Management Certification.

Mayor Cooper informed the Council that he attended the THS Band banquet and was very proud of the band members, stating that he was sorry that the Band Director Duane Player would not be returning next year. The Mayor also announced that the THS track team placed third in the state.

Councilman Patterson informed City Manager Bryant that the streets in Ward I need some attention, paying special attention to the drains on Battle St. and Chandler St. Public Works Director Phillips stated that the issued has been addressed. Councilman Patterson requested a schedule on the cleaning of drains and questioned if there was enough man power to do the work. He also stated that the walk through of Talladega College was very productive and commented that they need to catch the wave while so much is being done to the College.

Councilman Cooper informed everyone that the Bicentennial exhibit would be going on all this week at Heritage Hall.

Councilman Elston informed everyone that the Talladega High School graduation was scheduled for Thursday, May 25th.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Elston to enter into Executive Session under the exemption for the discussion of good name and character. Councilman Street stated he was a little uncomfortable in the last few Executive Sessions and wished to ask two questions of Council President Cooper before voting. "Will the City Attorney, Michael O'Brien be in the Executive Session?" Council President Cooper answered "No". "Will we stick to the topic in the Executive Session?" Council President Cooper answered "Yes." Roll Call. AYES: All. The Council entered the Executive Session at 6:05 pm and returned at 6:30 pm.

No action was taken once the Council returned from Executive Session.

Motion from Councilman Patterson to adjourn the meeting.

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, May 21, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers in the City of Talladega, Alabama.