

**CITY COUNCIL OF TALLADEGA
REGULAR MEETING
June 3, 2019-5:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, June 3, 2019 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 Horace Patterson, Councilman Jarvis Elston, Councilman Gerald Cooper, Mayor Jerry Cooper, and City Manager Elizabeth Cheeks.

Invocation by Pastor Andy Lambert from Coosa Valley Church of God.

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 5/20/2019 to 5/31/2019 **\$275,933.80**

General Fund	248,752.26
Corrections Fund	1,670.18
Cemetery	73.20
Library Fund	2,071.71
Capital Projects Trust Fund	23,366.45

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of the regular minutes of June 3, 2019. AYES: All.

Council President Patterson acknowledged the presence of City Attorney O'Brien.

Reverend Hugh Morris came before the Council to inform them of the NAACP Scholarship winners; where two Talladega High School students were recipients of this award. He also informed the Council that he has stepped down as president of the NAACP and asked if they would continue to support the NAACP. Council President Patterson commented that he would be happy to continue supporting the scholarship work.

Council President Patterson deferred to City Manager Cheeks concerning the Farmer's Market. City Manager Cheeks stated that the Farmer's Market begins June 4th and will be open every Tuesday from 3pm-6pm until August 27.

Mayor Cooper swears in Victor Wilson, Sr. to the Civil Service Board.

Council President Patterson announced that the spraying for mosquitoes will start Tuesday and Thursdays until Labor Day. City Manager Cheeks encouraged citizens to keep an eye out for items that could be holding water and stagnant waters which could breed mosquitos.

Resolution #4764 approving the donation of a surplused van to the Community Life Institute.

Resolution #4765 approving the surplusing of various equipment in the Police Department

Resolution #4766 approving the increase of \$2,108.00 on the cost of the Service Center Parking lot improvements with Waites Construction for additional asphalt.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of Resolution #4764 to Resolution #4766. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

Water Department Expenditures for 5/20/19-5/31/19 **\$113,471.57**
Water/Sewer Fund 113,471.57

Resolution #4767 approving the purchasing procedures for the Community Development Block Grant projects.

Resolution #4768 approving the Citizen Participation Plan for the Community Development Block Grant projects.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of Resolution #4764 and Resolution #4768. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

A Ward 1 citizen wished to address the Council concerning the date for which the bridges on Coosa St. and West St. would be finished. It was stated that in the last three weeks there has been no signs of construction, grass planted, and debris cleaned up. He requested that a date be given in order to inform the citizens when they can expect those streets to be opened. City Manager Cheeks stated that the projects were not finished yet as a punch list of items has yet to be completed. She stated that there was not a definite date for completion and informed the citizen that she would try to get an ending date from the contractor. Council President Patterson requested that feed back be given at least every 30 days.

City Manager Cheeks commented that the City's Summer Food Program started last Thursday and was going strong. She also informed the Council of her absence later this week for a conference she will be attending.

Mayor Cooper questioned if the contractors for the bridge replacements would be issued a penalty for their overdue work. City Manager Cheeks stated that because it was an ALDOT project the representative on the project would be in charge of that.

Councilman Elston reiterated that the State of the City address was scheduled for June 18th and encouraged everyone to attend. He also commented that he hoped the City Manager's performance evaluation would get back on track for the next meeting.

Council President Patterson reminded the audience that the next Council meeting was scheduled for June 17th and the State of the City address was on the 18th at the Ritz Theatre.

Motion by Councilman Cooper with a second from Councilman Elston to adjourn.

Meeting was called back to order by Council President Patterson in order to allow citizen Ms. Buchanan to speak concerning crimes in the community. Ms. Buchanan stated that in the past few months there has been problems with violence in the communities. Children know who committed these crimes as well as adults and are afraid to inform the police fearing for their life. She asked if there was an anonymous hot line for such people who wish to inform the police but are afraid to divulge their identity. Council President Patterson deferred to Police Chief Busby. Chief Busby stated that there was an anonymous hot line and that the number is 256-299-0011. Council President Patterson stated that if anyone was too afraid to call then they could give it to him or Councilman Elston to relay the information to the police. Councilman Elston wished to thank Ms. Buchanan for her courage.

Motion by Councilman Elston to adjourn.

AUTHENTICATION

I, Joanna Medlen, Acting 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, June 6, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers in the City of Talladega, Alabama.