

**CITY COUNCIL OF TALLADEGA
REGULAR MEETING
August 6, 2018-5:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, August 6, 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 Horace Patterson, Councilman Gerald Cooper, Councilman David Street, Councilman Ricky Simpson, Councilman Jarvis Elston, Mayor Jerry Cooper, and Interim City Manager Elizabeth Cheeks.

Invocation by Roger Klotz of First Baptist Church.

Public Hearing was opened for anyone who wished to comment and/or object to the placement of weed abatement liens to 5 properties. No one was present to comment and the public hearing was closed.

Council President Patterson recognized the presence of City Attorney Michael O'Brien and informed the Council that he would have to leave at 6:20pm at which time Council President Pro-Tem Simpson would take over.

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 7/16/2018 to 8/3/2018 **\$209,586.69**

General Fund	141,781.92
Corrections Fund	1,808.41
Capital Projects Trust Fund	65,996.36

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Elston for approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 16, 2018 with one change. AYES: All.

Jason Harpe from Carr, Riggs, and Ingram briefly went over the City's FY2017 audit. Mr. Harpe noted that the City had a healthy fund balance and is at a positive stand point.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Street to appoint Phoebe Presson to the Planning Commission. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Simpson to re-appoint Horace Sims to the Civil Service Board. AYES: All.

Council President Patterson deferred to the Mayor's Advisory Council for a presentation. Mr. Jimmy Williams came before the Council with ideas to promote the City of Talladega. Mr. Williams proposed a History of Talladega museum, a display for the Creek Indians, and getting together with various agencies in the City for a collaboration of events and exhibitions. Councilman Street asked who was on the Mayor's Advisory Council. It was noted that Jimmy Williams, Terry Hill, Joe Power, and several others are members of this group. Council President Patterson stated that these ideas would be looked into.

The Welcome Back Student signage was on display and would be placed out during the week of August 6th welcoming students back and will be changed over to welcome the Talladega College students during the week of August 12th.

Resolutions #4494 to #4498 to assess weed abatement liens.

Resolution #4499 approving the surplusing of various items from the Police Department.

Resolution #4500 approving the surplusing of equipment from the Niki Lu Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Resolution #4501 approving the surplusing of an excavator, trailer, and truck from the Public Works Department.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Simpson for the approval of Resolution #4494 to Resolution #4501. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #4502 approving the purchase of an excavator with rotary cutter from Thompson Tractor of Birmingham, Alabama for a total cost of \$230,000.00.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Street for the approval of Resolution #4502. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #4503 approving a contract with CB&A Construction of Birmingham, Alabama for ADA Improvements to the Courthouse Square Area for a cost of \$349,504.58.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Street for the approval of Resolution #4503. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Ordinance #1839 approving a section of Pressley Circle being made one-way to improve traffic flow for R.L. Young Elementary School.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Street for Immediate Consideration of Ordinance #1839. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Street for Reading of the Heading Only of Ordinance #1839. Roll Call. AYES: All.

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THOROUGHFARE TRAFFIC ON PRESSLEY CIRCLE, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Street for the Adoption of Ordinance #1839. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

Water Department Expenditures for 7/16/18-8/3/18
Water/Sewer Fund

\$697,112.20

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There was some discussion about the City Manager Job Description revision.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Simpson to approve the City Manager Job Description revision. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Elston, Councilman Simpson, and Councilman Cooper NAY: Councilman Street

It was also noted that other job descriptions are pending but must first go through the Employee Committee and Civil Service Board and will be ready for Council consideration in the future.

Council President Patterson commented that Municipal Court offers many benefits for the citizens of the City, but was not ready to respond or make a decision on this subject.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Elston for the appointments of the Ad Hoc Committee consisting initially of George Montgomery, Joe Power, Jimmy Williams, Kevin Smith, Reverend Hugh Morris, Phillip Gallahair, and Robert Buyher. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Elston, Councilman Simpson, and Councilman Cooper NAY: Councilman Street

Council President Patterson also noted that the list for this committee is not complete as he would like some ladies on there as well. He also stated that he was concerned about the healthcare of the City and thought that the idea of the advisory committee would be a suitable channel to pull together citizens throughout the community who have expertise in this area.

Motion was made by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper to go into Executive Session to concerning possible litigation and to discuss Good Name and Character at 5:57 pm to return within approximately 15 minutes. AYES: All.

Council return to Chambers at 6:12 pm. Council President Patterson requested that the Interim City Manager write correspondence concerning the issue discussed and in the matter of the second issue no action was taken.

Council President Patterson leaves and at 6:22pm Council President Pro-Tem Simpson takes the gavel.

Councilman Cooper requested that the book hut located at Veterans Park be looked at because it looks like it's been disturbed. Police Chief Busby stated that there would be extra patrols in this area.

Mayor Cooper wished to commend Interim City Manager Cheeks on a great job done.

Interim City Manager Cheeks commented that the FY2017 audit would be up on the website soon and with the opening of school on Wednesday, City employees will be participating in the Walk of Champions at Graham Elementary and Fire Station 2 will be at Salter Elementary.

Motion from Councilman Simpson to adjourn the meeting.

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, August 6, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers in the City of Talladega, Alabama.