

CITY OF TALLADEGA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
February 21, 2011 – 5:30 p.m.

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, February 21, 2011 at 5:30 p.m., in the City Hall Auditorium, the regular place for such meetings. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Horace Patterson, Councilman Donnie Miller, Councilman Jimmy Davis, Councilman Eddie Tucker, Councilwoman Liz Grissett and City Manager Brian Muenger.

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 2/4/2011 to 2/18/2011	\$ 1,026,310.61
General Operating Fund	911,295.01
Corrections Fund	30,485.80
RBEG Grant	2,874.80
Capital Improvement Fund	81,655.00

Mayor Brian York swore in Cathy McCleskey to the Talladega Heritage Commission. Mayor York presented Christan Moseley of the Purchasing Department with the Top Gun Employee of the Month award.

Superintendent Doug Campbell appealed to the Council for a share of the funding that would be generated by the recently passed one cent sales tax increase. Superintendent Campbell stated that the School Board had a five year plan to analyze all of the school facilities and that their long range goals included building a new middle school facility and closing one elementary school. There was a great deal of discussion about the City School Board providing a plan to the City Council for needed improvements, facilities, facility consolidations and funding of new facilities through bond issues and other sources. The Council agreed to a joint meeting with the Board of Education to go over these issues.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second from Councilman Miller to approve the alcohol license of 050-Retail Beer and 070-Table Win (both off premises) for Lovan Stop and Go at 707 West Coosa Street. AYES: Councilman Miller, Council President Patterson, Councilman Davis; ABSTAIN: Councilwoman Grissett and Councilman Tucker.

Resolution #2216 approving a contract with Davis Builders for the renovation of the Jemison Tennis Court Pro Shop/Restrooms for a total cost of \$14,135.00.

Resolution #2217 approving a contract with Hutto Construction for a valve box at the Stone Hill Booster Station for a total cost of \$4,450.00.

Resolution #2218 approving a two year lease agreement with LMO & Company for the newly renovated city building at 121 North Court Square (Kenwin Building).

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second from Councilwoman Grissett for approval of Resolutions #2216 and #2218. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Ordinance # 1687 increases the sales tax to five percent (5%) raising the total sales tax to ten percent (10%) within the City limits.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second from Councilwoman Grissett for immediate consideration of Ordinance #1687. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Davis, Councilwoman Grissett; NAY: Councilman Miller and Councilman Tucker (*because this is the second consideration of Ordinance #1687 approval process continued*).

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second from Councilwoman Grissett for reading of the heading only of Ordinance #1687. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Davis, Councilwoman Grissett; NAY: Councilman Miller and Councilman Tucker

AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE, AMEND, CODIFY AND/OR RECODIFY ORDINANCE #1279, ORDINANCE #1566, ORDINANCE #1571 AND ORDINANCE #1673 AND ANY AND ALL OTHER EXISTING ORDINANCES, PERTAINING TO ALA. CODE 1975, SECTIONS 11-51-200 THROUGH 11-51-211, REGARDING THE LEVY OF A PRIVILEGE, LICENSE, EXCISE OR USE TAX AGAINST PERSONS, FIRMS OR CORPORATIONS STORING, USING OR OTHERWISE CONSUMING, OR ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF SELLING AT RETAIL ANY TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY, INCLUDING SALES OF FOOD AND FOOD PRODUCTS THROUGH COIN-OPERATED DISPENSING MACHINES; OR CONDUCTING OR OPERATING PLACES OF AMUSEMENT OR ENTERTAINMENT, WITHIN THE CITY OF TALLADEGA, OR ITS POLICE JURISDICTION; PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF SAID TAXES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DATE OF BEGINNING COLLECTION OF THE REVISED SALES TAX AND USE TAX; AND PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second by Councilwoman Grissett to approve the adoption of Ordinance #1687. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Davis, Councilwoman Grissett; NAY: Councilman Miller and Councilman Tucker

Ordinance #1688 to regulate the sale and possession of fireworks within the corporate limits and the Police jurisdiction of the City of Talladega.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second by Councilman Davis for immediate consideration of Ordinance #1688. Roll Call AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Tucker with a second by Councilman Miller for reading of the heading only for Ordinance #1688. Roll Call AYES: All.

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 1438 AND TO REGULATE THE SALE AND POSSESSION OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF TALLADEGA AND ITS POLICE JURISDICTION.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Tucker to approve the adoption of Ordinance #1688. Roll Call AYES: All.

Ordinance #1689 approving the designation of wards for property recently annexed by the City of Talladega.

Motion by Councilwoman Grissett with a second by Councilman Miller for immediate consideration of Ordinance #1689. Roll Call AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Davis, Councilwoman Grissett and Councilman Miller; NAY: Councilman Tucker. (Action on this ordinance is halted and it will be presented at the next meeting.)

Motion by Councilwoman Grissett with a second by Councilman Davis to approve invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Davis, Councilwoman Grissett and Councilman Miller; NAY: Councilman Tucker.

Water Department Expenditures for 2/10/11 to 2/17/2011	\$ 284,979.93
General Fund	284,979.93

The Water Department's final audit was presented to the Council. Councilman Miller asked if all previous year's recommendations in the audit were being done. Cathy Fuller, Finance Director for the Water Department, stated that they were.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second by Councilman Miller to approve the Police Department out of state travel request for two employees to attend the CALEA conference in Bethesda, Maryland. AYES: All.

There was some discussion to reduce the number of furlough days to six but no formal action was taken.

Motion for adjournment from Councilman Davis.

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, February 21, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.

Elizabeth Cheeks, City Clerk