

CITY OF TALLADEGA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
May 23, 2011 – 5:30 p.m.

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, May 23, 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 Davis with a second from Councilman Miller declaring the stabilization and repair of the Ritz Theatre marquee an emergency for public safety reasons and authorizing the City Manager to proceed with repairs at an estimated cost of \$25,000. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilwoman Grissett with a second from Councilman Davis for approval of minutes of the regular meeting of April 11, 2011. AYES: All.

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 5/6/2011 to 5/20/2011	\$ 584,697.05
General Operating Fund	577,624.61
Municipal Court	5,451.80
Cash Bond	170.00
Corrections Fund	605.00
RBEG Grant	60.19
Senior Nutrition	785.45

Mayor Brian York and Nancy Lutchendorf, Chairperson of the Talladega Preservation Commission, presented Ms. Sadie Curry and Rev. Holloway with a proclamation for their work in preserving and getting the First Congregational-United Church of Christ of Talladega onto the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage.

Mayor Brian York and Council President Patterson presented to Michael Gooden and Shametra Gooden Miller a proclamation for their academic achievement and positive role models for the City of Talladega.

Resolution #2240 approval of contract with Insite Engineering to perform an analysis of both the Pope Hill Park and the Avenue H detention ponds for a total cost of \$20,850.

Resolution #2241 approval of contract with Insite Engineering to perform an Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) Study of the Avenue H area for a cost of \$93,220.

Resolutions #2240 and #2241 were tabled at the City Manager's request so that he could continue his research on the issues.

Resolution #2242 presenting the Department of Environmental Management with the MWPP Annual Report for the Talladega Main Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Resolution #2243 presenting the Department of Environmental Management with the MWPP Annual Report for the Talladega Airport Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Resolution #2244 presenting the Department of Environmental Management with the MWPP Annual Report for the Talladega Brecon Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Motion by Councilwoman Grissett with a second by Councilman Davis to approve Resolutions #2242-#2244. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Davis, Councilwoman Grissett and Councilman Miller; NAY: Councilman Tucker.

Resolution #2245 approving the amendment of Articles of Incorporation of Cheaha Regional Mental Health/ Mental Retardation Board Inc.

Resolution #2246 approval of a contract with Monroe & Jenkins Architects LLC for architectural design of the roof on the Bemiston Recreation Center for a total cost of \$5,000.

Resolution #2247 to rescind Resolution # 2117 dated September 20, 2010 and to enter into a contract with Jim's Asphalt LLC for procurement of cold mix per bid specifications.

Resolution #2248 approval of a contract with Armbrester Electric for the removal of the Wehadkee power line for a total cost of \$9,400

Resolution #2249 approval to renew for the 2012 Fiscal Year the Section 5311 Non-Urbanized Area Public Transportation program through Alabama Department of Transportation with a 50% match of no more than \$36,546.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second by Councilman Tucker to approve Resolutions #2245-#2249. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second by Councilwoman Grissett 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 5/1/11 to 5/19/2011	\$ 305,429.94
General Fund	294,671.74
Bond	10,758.20

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second by Councilman Miller to approve the cost adjustment on the contract with Evergreen Lawn Care with the Water Department. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Davis, Councilwoman Grissett and Councilman Miller; NAY: Councilman Tucker.

Motion by Councilwoman Grissett with a second from Councilman Miller to designate the Bemiston Recreation Center as an official storm shelter pending the American Red Cross endorsement. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Councilman Tucker asked the council to work together with the City Manager to get the mobile home ordinance through as it had been over 4 years and maybe even 6 years wrestling with this issue. Councilman Tucker further stated that there are a lot of people who need mobile homes and there are others who don't want mobile homes in their area, therefore this issue needs to be resolved soon.

Councilman Tucker requested that the City have an effective tree removal program and that sufficient funds be budgeted for the program. Councilman Tucker further stated that he had requested funds of \$175,000 be budgeted for tree removal in the past but that his comments were not recorded in the minutes.

Councilman Tucker requested that City employees coordinate better to remove roadkill from the streets as soon as possible. Councilman Tucker requested an update on the sidewalks for Knoxville. City Manager Muenger indicated that the survey of the area was authorized and that the City attorney was starting the right-of-way research. Councilman Tucker stated that he is being optimistic that a sidewalk can be constructed on Avenue H from Six Points to Oliver Street.

Councilman Miller asked why the revenue report showed that Charter franchise fees were much lower. Finance Director Teri St. James stated that the report a quarterly submittal of franchise fees where as in the past it was a lump sum annual payment of franchise fees and that other quarterly payments would be made during the fiscal year.

Motion for adjournment from Councilman Tucker.

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 23, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.

Elizabeth Cheeks, City Clerk