

**CITY COUNCIL OF TALLADEGA
PRE-COUNCIL
May 23, 2013 – 5:00 pm**

Jeff Johnson stated his support for the amendment to the Talladega Business License Code that allowed for additional exemptions on vending machine business for those owners who are legally blind (Ordinance #1748).

Dr. Charles Lambert, Shocco Springs Road, whose house and garage had been burglarized on several occasions, voiced his concern of the rash of robberies in the area in broad daylight. Dr. Lambert stated that he did not blame the Police Department and knew they were doing all they could, but he did suggest that the K-9 unit be re-instated.

Mayor Larry Barton recognized Ms. Eryn Stockdale in the audience who had been accepted into the Naval Academy and recently honored at the Elks Club as Miss Elk of Alabama.

City Manager Muenger presented a report on the damage caused by the recent storms. There was significant flooding and a collapse of Tinney Street near the railroad crossing that required the road be closed for repairs. The recent storm will most likely be classified as a 100 year storm as estimates are that 6.25 to 6.5 inches of rain fell in a 7 hour period. Manager Muenger stated that by mid-July the engineers should have a comprehensive report on updating the City's stormwater ordinance.

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
May 23, 2013 – 5:30 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Thursday, May 23, 2012 at 5:30 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 Donnie Miller, Councilman Jarvis Elston, Councilman Joe Ballow, Councilman Rick Simpson and City Manager Brian Muenger.

Invocation by Van Blankenship, Lay Minister

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 5/3/2013 to 5/17/2013	\$ 543,597.58
General Operating Fund	478,447.08
Senior Nutrition Fund	685.75
Corrections Fund	50,703.27
Capital Improvements	8,258.48
CDBG Fund	574.00
Brownfield Fund	4,929.00

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Miller for approval of minutes of the regular meeting of April 15, 2013. AYES: All.

Mayor Larry Barton presented Van and Mary Blankenship with a proclamation honoring their many years of doing business in the City of Talladega as Van Blankenship Photography.

Mayor Larry Barton made a presentation of a framed proclamation to several visiting citizens in the audience in honor of Older Americans Month.

Talladega High School Principal Darren Anglin was present and invited all members of the Council and the Mayor to the High School graduation on Friday, May 24th.

Mr. Ken Brewer and current Miss Talladega County, Ms. Curtis, were present to ask for funding for the Miss Talladega County Scholarship Organization.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Miller for purchasing a \$500 full page ad in the Miss Talladega County Scholarship booklet. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Ballow approving a funding request from Duane Player, Music Director Talladega High School, for \$2,000 for music stands and chairs. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second from Councilman Elston to approve a 050 – Retail Beer (off premises only) and 070 – Retail Table Wine (off premises only) for Express Mart 24 at 823 East Battle Street. AYES: All.

Ordinance #1748 amending the City’s business license ordinance to allow exemptions for blind business owners under the State-run Business Enterprise Program (BEP) on licensing fees for vending machines on Federal and State property.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Simpson for immediate consideration of Ordinance #1748. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Ballow for reading of the heading only of Ordinance #1748. Roll Call. AYES: All.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 1709 - THE BUSINESS LICENSE CODE OF THE CITY OF TALLADEGA, ALABAMA, FOR THE BUSINESS LICENSE YEAR 2012 AND EACH SUBSEQUENT YEAR THEREAFTER.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second by Councilman Miller for approval and adoption of Ordinance #1748. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2811 approving an ATRIP application for resurfacing of Thornton Street, Nimitz Street, Broadway Avenue and Bankhead Blvd.

Resolution #2812 approving an ATRIP application for resurfacing of Eastaboga Road, Ironaton Cut-off and Ironaton Road.

Resolution #2813 approving an ATRIP application for resurfacing of Stephen J. White Memorial Blvd.

Resolution #2814 approving an ATRIP application for resurfacing of Renfroe Road.

Resolution #2815 approving an ATRIP application for resurfacing of Howard Street.

Resolution #2816 approving an ATRIP application for resurfacing of Spring Street, Hawthorne Street, East Street and Allison Mill Road.

Resolution #2817 approving an ATRIP application for resurfacing of Gertrude Michaels, South Street, McMillan Street and Chaffee Street.

Resolution #2818 approving an ATRIP application for resurfacing of Cherry Street and Taylors Mill Road.

Resolution #2819 approving an ATRIP application for upgrading the traffic signal with a preemption system to interface with the railroad crossing signals at the intersection of Coosa Street and East Street.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Simpson to approve Resolutions #2811 to #2819. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2820 approving a contract with Davis Builders to include ADA compliant renovations to restrooms on the main floor of City Hall, creation of a conference room from vacant office space and improvements/repair of water damaged office space for a cost not to exceed \$64,855.00.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Simpson to approve Resolution #2820. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2821 approving payments to Alabama Regional Communications System (ARCS) for monthly costs already incurred on the 800 radio system at a rate of \$945/month for the Fire Dept. and \$1935/month for the Police Department.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Ballow to approve Resolution #2821. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2822 approving an application to the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) for construction of an ADA compliant restroom facility at Veterans Park which would cover 50% of project cost capped at \$50,000.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Miller to approve Resolution #2822. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second by Councilman Ballow to approve invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. AYES: All.

Water Department Expenditures for 5/8/2013 to 5/16/2013	\$ 659,761.20
Operations Fund	282,348.37
Revenue	377,412.83

Council meetings were set for July 8 and July 22, 2013 and August 5 and August 19, 2013.

City Manager Muenger provided all Council Members and Mayor with a draft of the proposed Condemnation Ordinance for their review. The Council was also presented with an announcement of sale of City's surplus property on GovDeals and the monthly department reports. City Manager Muenger also announced that the School Board had approved the School Resource Officer grant application.

Motion for adjournment from Councilman Ballow.

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 Thursday, May 23, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.

Elizabeth Cheeks, City Clerk