

CITY OF TALLADEGA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
June 7, 2010

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, June 7, 2010 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 Eddie Tucker, Councilman Lance Grissett, Councilman Jimmy Davis, and Interim City Manager Chris Stone

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 5/17/2010 to 6/4/2010	\$ 980,684.46
General Operating Fund	781,039.55
Corrections Fund	32,293.16
Brownfield Grant	17,734.38
Oak Hill Cemetery Fund	62.49
\$.07 Gas Tax	28,750.00
Oil Trust Fund	9,268.88
Capital Improvement Fund	111,536.00

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second by Councilman Miller for approval of minutes of the regular meeting of April 8, 2010. AYES: All.

Councilman Miller swore in Carl Wesler and Horace Sims for their re-appointment to the Civil Service Board.

James Edgar & Associates representatives were present to answer any questions the Council had concerning the most recent fiscal audit. The Council had no questions at this time.

Larry Ward of Morgan Keegan made a presentation to the Council concerning possible bond issue for Water & Sewer Infrastructure projects. Mr. Ward stated that on information provided to him, he believed that a 7.5 million bond with a restructuring of the 2003 and 2004 bonds could be done with a rate increase of no more than 4%. Council President Patterson asked where the City stood on the EPA compliance. Chris Stone stated that the EPA would be here on June 10th. Acting Water Department Director, Cathy Fuller, stated that a \$7.5 million bond would cover the projects for the next five to six years. Councilman Davis stated that the list of projects was internally generated and did not include engineering costs, suggesting that an outside entity should verify the accuracy of the cost estimates. Councilman Miller asked if the proposed projects were sufficient to handle 30 more retail establishments and possibly 100 new houses along the bypass. Director Fuller indicated that as far as she had been told it would be sufficient. Councilman Miller also stated that there was a need for GIS mapping.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Davis to approve out-of-state travel for the Police Department to attend Regional Counterdrug Training Academy. AYES: All.

Resolution #2065 authorizes sale of surplus City property.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second from Councilman Grissett to approve Resolution #2065. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

Water Department Expenditures for 5/13/10 to 6/3/2010	\$ 317,353.26
General Fund	315,818.35
Coleman Circle Project	1,534.91

There was some discussion on the paving projects. Purchasing Director Terry Hanner stated that ALDOT had approved the plans and that the bids would be open on July 14th.

Councilman Davis acknowledged that presence of School Board member Shirley Simmons-Sims and stated that he hoped the Council and School Board could again hold joint meetings to discuss pertinent issues. Ms. Sims concurred that joint meetings would be helpful.

A public hearing for citizen discussion on the management of the Water Department was set for June 14, 2010 at 5:00 pm to be held at the Historic Ritz Theatre. The next regular council meeting was changed to Monday, June 28, 2010.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second from Councilman Tucker to go into Executive Session concerning personnel matters. AYES: All.

Council entered into executive session at 6:10 pm and reconvened at 6:37 pm.

Council President Patterson stated that as a result of discussion in the executive session the Council would take no specific action on the specific personnel matter discussed.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second from Councilman Davis to repeal the hiring freeze with the condition that hiring would be at the discretion and approval of the City Manager. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Tucker with a second from Councilman Miller for adjournment.

AUTHENTICATION

I, Elizabeth Cheeks, 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 7, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.

Elizabeth Cheeks
City Clerk