

**CITY COUNCIL OF TALLADEGA  
PRE-COUNCIL  
August 19, 2013 – 5:00 pm**

Jennifer Peace and other representatives of Neel-Schaffer Engineering came before the Council to present the methodology for the City-wide storm water study and recommendations to restore efficiency in the City's storm water drainage system. Neel-Schaffer Engineering will be making subsequent presentations at future council meetings as the project progresses.

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
August 19, 2013 – 5:30 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, August 19, 2013 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 Jarvis Elston, Councilman Joe Ballow, Councilman Rick Simpson, Councilman Donnie Miller, Mayor Larry Barton and City Manager Brian Muenger.

Invocation by Keith Wrenn of Hepzibah Baptist Church.

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

<b>Total Invoices &amp; Expenditures for 8/05/2013 to 8/16/2013</b>	<b>\$ 845,289.74</b>
General Operating Fund	605,293.71
Senior Nutrition	49,773.13
Corrections Fund	37,084.52
Brownfield Fund	9,249.50
Capital Improvement Fund	143,888.88

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Ballow for approval of minutes of the regular meeting of July 22 and August 5, 2013. AYES: All.

City Manager Muenger presents to the Council a request for approval of 050-Retail Beer (off premises only) and 070- Retail Table Wine (Off premises only) for Emmas Food Mart located at 35350 Highway 21. Motion by Councilman Miller with a second from Councilman Simpson to approve Emmas Food Mart for an alcohol license. AYES: All.

Councilman Miller requested the Library Board applications be tabled until the next meeting.

City Manager Muenger presented to the Council correspondence on the proposal to County Commission concerning receiving a portion of the final round of ATRIP funding for replacement of the traffic signal at the intersection of Highway 77 and Coosa Street. The City is to receive a portion of the \$283,735.60 in funds that was awarded to the County. A proposed amount of \$115,000 is requested of these funds, constituting 69.25% of the construction cost for this traffic signal.

Also presented to the Council by City Manager Muenger is the Transportation Enhancement Program application, an application primarily to revamp the streetscape around the Courthouse Square. This program has not been funded; instead the TE program has been phased out in favor of the Transportation Alternative Program (TAP), to which the City has submitted the same application this year.

Regarding the Charter Communications Board, three of the initial members of the Board have been confirmed; however there is still a need for appointees from Ward 2 and Ward 4. Council President Patterson said he has already made his appointment. Once these selections have been made, a meeting will be set. Mr. Vice of Charter Communications indicated the meetings could begin in early September.

Council President Patterson presented to the Council the progress of sidewalk improvements being made throughout the City. Work in all Wards is substantially complete with the exception of Ward 5, where the crew will be mobilizing next.

City Manager Muenger brought to the Council an update on the CSX Rail Car Cleanup. The cleanup was mobilized last week and should be finished by the end of the week.

Public Works Director Phillips, deferred to by City Manager Muenger, presented an update on truck traffic on the 275 Bypass. She said she has sent 101 emails to vendors of Koch Foods and Precision Strip encouraging their use of the 275 Bypass.

**Resolution #2849** approving a contract with East Central Alabama Football Officials Association for football games with the Department of Parks & Recreation teams for a cost not to exceed \$2,500.

**Resolution #2850** approving a contract with Coosa Valley Officials Association for soccer and basketball games with the Department of Parks & Recreation teams for a cost not to exceed \$10,000.

**Resolution #2851** approving the City's Motor Vehicle Operation Policy.

**Resolution #2852** approving an agreement with Diamond Tours for a Senior Program trip to Savannah, Georgia pending compliance with insurance and licensing requirements with all costs covered by the participants.

**Resolution #2853** approving an agreement with the State of Alabama for maintaining pavement markings and signs at the Spring Street railway crossing (Project No. STPRR-1T08(601)).

**Resolution #2854** approving an agreement with the State of Alabama for maintaining pavement markings and signs at the 17<sup>th</sup> Street – Stephen J. White Memorial Blvd. railway crossing (Project No. STPRR-1T04(600)).

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second by Councilman Miller for approval of Resolutions #2849-2854. Roll call. Resolutions #2849, #2850 and #2852-2854 AYES: All; Resolution #2851 AYES: Councilman Elston, Councilman Ballow, Council President Patterson, NAYS: Councilman Miller and Councilman Simpson

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

<b>Water Department Expenditures for 08/08/2013 to 08/15/2013</b>	<b>\$ 512,583.75</b>
Operations & Maintenance	223,243.45
Revenue	289,340.30

Director Thomerson of the Water Department came before the Council regarding the work scheduled to start on the Mt. Olive water system. The work plan includes continued use of the Water Quality Inspection Form to establish baseline records of water quality, complaints, inspections, and information as it pertains to each complaint received, continued assistance with providing bottled water and rust-inhibitor treatment product, upgrading/replacing existing water mains to a minimum of 6-inches, looping of existing dead end mains to provide better water flow and fire protection throughout the service area, replacement of all antiquated service lines from the main to the customer's meter, and providing customer education as it pertains to details of how various components of water affects plumbing and proper flushing of the hot water heater.

**Resolution #2855** approving a contract with InSite Engineering for Leak Detection Services not to exceed \$16,000.

**Resolution #2856** approving a contract with InSite Engineering for rehabilitation of Filters 5-8 at the Main Water Treatment Plant not to exceed \$30,700.

**Resolution #2857** waiving the fees associated with the FOG program (Ordinance #1682) for the 2013-2014 fiscal year.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second by Councilman Ballow for approval of Resolution #2855-#2857. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Brought before the Council are the Council Meeting Dates for September 2013. The first meeting being September 9, 2013 and the second being September 23, 2013.

City Manager Muenger commented that the Fire Department renovations are complete and a Council walk-thru will be scheduled. City Manager Muenger gave an update on the K-9 unit, stating that several donations had been made through civic clubs and individuals. With this funding the K-9 unit would be active by FY 2013-2014.

Continuing the discussion of Resolution #2851, Councilman Miller made it clear his concerns about personnel using City vehicles for personal use. City Manager Muenger commented that the disciplinary action for such use is outlined in the Personnel Handbook. Human Resource Director Fuller also commented that it is up to the Department Head to handle each incident according to the City Vehicle Policy and the Employee Handbook.

Meeting adjourned.

#### **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, August 19, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.