

**CITY COUNCIL OF TALLADEGA
PRE-COUNCIL
September 22, 2014- 5:00 pm**

Reverend Milton Brown came before the Council to request that the road closures around Talladega College remain open and for the removal of speed breakers. Council President Miller informed Mr. Brown for a second time that this closure was only temporary and that no decision has been made; however, if he wished to forward a petition to the Council, the deadline is two weeks.

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
September 22, 2014-5:30 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, September 22, 2014 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 Donnie Miller, Councilman Joe Ballow, Councilman Ricky Simpson, Councilman Horace Patterson, Councilman Jarvis Elston, Mayor Larry Barton, and City Manager Brian Muenger.

Invocation by Robert Smith of Plainview Baptist Church.

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 09/6/2014 to 09/19/2014	\$657,541.52
General Operating Account	366,642.17
Senior Nutrition	127,678.87
Municipal Court	6,192.48
Corrections	3,522.69
Cemetery Fund	8,587.31
Capital Improvement Fund	144,918.00

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Patterson for approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 8, 2014. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second from Councilman Patterson to approve the amended agenda. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Ballow to re-appoint Joseph Power and to appoint David Street, Jennifer Smith, and Terry Hill to the Talladega Historic Preservation Commission. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Ballow to re-appoint Carol Moore and Beth Lumpkin to the Armstrong-Osborne Public Library Board. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Chief Busby brought before the Council a request from Talladega College to close the area between College Street and West Battle Street from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for their Founders Day celebration. West Battle Street is expected to remain open to traffic throughout the day, with the exception of any disruption caused by the morning parade. Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second from Councilman Patterson to approve the request to close these streets for the Founders Day parade. Roll Call. AYES: All.

City Manager Muenger brought before the Council an update on the recently approved paving project. McCartney Construction has mobilized in the Forrest Hills area as of today. A modification in their previous schedule has made a paving crew available for approximately 3-4 weeks, allowing a head start to the project. The areas this crew will be addressing are the Forest Hills neighborhood and Crestview Road (Mt. Olive Circle to Whitson Road). After working this 3-4 week period there will likely be a period of inactivity before the crew remobilizes to complete the work. Notification has been sent to residents of Forest Hills to make them aware of the impending work and will continue to be issued to areas in which the presence of equipment may impede access. City Manager Muenger also updated Council on the pre-paving utility work from Mr. Tim Rylee of InSite Engineering. Three of the four projects are on schedule. The contractor responsible for the replacement of water services is currently behind schedule, but this delay will not affect them from finishing on time.

City Manager Muenger presented to the Council an update on the Courthouse Square Two-Hour Parking and Alley closure. The police department has been enforcing the 2-hour parking Ordinance on the Courthouse Square. To date only warnings have been issued, but this has been effective at thinning the congestion in the spaces in the area. The response has been mostly positive, although there is an issue that requires modification of the Ordinance. County Administrator Hall has requested that the City consider modifying its ordinance to exclude mobility issues as there are employees of the County who require reasonable accommodation due to documented mobility issues. Additionally the ordinance restricts a number of areas from long-term parking, including many in which there exists no parking issues. Currently all areas within one block of the square are decreed as two hour parking.

Ordinance #1777 approving the amended budget for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second by Councilman Ballow for immediate consideration of Ordinance #1777. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second by Councilman Patterson for reading of the heading only for Ordinance #1777. Roll Call. AYES: All.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF TALLADEGA, ALABAMA (ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013, ORDINANCE 1760) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING 1 OCTOBER 2013 AND ENDING 30 SEPTEMBER 2014.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second by Councilman Ballow for the adoption of Ordinance #1777. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Ordinance #1778 approving the official budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second by Councilman Patterson for immediate consideration of Ordinance #1778. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second by Councilman Patterson for reading of the heading only for Ordinance #1778. Roll Call. AYES: All.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE OFFICIAL ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF TALLADEGA, ALABAMA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2014 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2015.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second by Councilman Ballow for the adoption of Ordinance #1778. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #3260 approving a contract with Fantazia Circus to use the Spring Street Recreation Center Gym for performances on Sept. 24-25, 2014 for a total cost of \$750.00.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second by Councilman Patterson to approve Resolution #3260. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

Water Department Expenditures for 09/10/14 to 09/18/14	\$ 663,326.00
Operations & Maintenance	181,708.08
Revenue	296,815.65
Construction & Improvement	184,802.27

Resolution #3259 approving a design contract of \$57,500.00 and an agreement for CE&I not to exceed \$18,000.00 with Insite Engineering for the Main Wastewater Treatment Plant Micro Screen Replacement.

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second by Councilman Patterson. Roll Call. AYES: All.

In other business, Council President Miller wanted to thank Finance Director St. James and City Manager Muenger for their work on the budget.

Councilman Elston wanted to inform the Council of a Fun Day in the Park with a movie this Saturday from 2-6 pm with the movie starting at 7:00pm. Councilman Ballow wanted to voice his appreciation to the volunteers on the various City boards. Mayor Barton deferred to George Culver of the Ritz Theatre. Mr. Culver presented an update on events at the Ritz Theatre one of which is the installation of a new automated ticketing system purchased with a grant. Council President Miller requested a meeting be set up with Charter concerning the redundant loop.

Motion by Councilman Patterson to adjourn the meeting.

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, September 22, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.