

**CITY OF TALLADEGA**  
**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
6 October 2008

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, 6 October 2008 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 Eddie Tucker, Councilman Donnie Miller, Councilman Lance Grissett, Councilman Jimmy Davis, Mayor Brian York and City Manager Michael Stampfler.

Invocation given by Rev. Ted Peterson of the First United Methodist Church

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

**Total Invoices & Expenditures for 9/15/08 to 10/02/08      \$796,529.80**

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second by Councilman Grissett to approve the minutes with corrections for the Regular Meeting of September 4, 2008. AYES: All.

Petition from Talladega College to close Cruikshank Street from Martin Luther King Drive to Nolen Street to through traffic. Council President Patterson requested that a representative of Talladega College be present at the next council meeting to explain the reason for their request and that a public hearing also be held concerning the closure.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second from Councilman Grissett to approve the requests for roadblocks for fundraising purposes by the Talladega High School football team and the Talladega High School Advanced English Class. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Miller with second from Councilman Davis to approve the transfer of 070-Retail Table Wine (off premises only) and 050-Retail Beer (off premises only) to Six Points, LLC & Bashir Mohammad. AYES: All.

**Resolution #1729** to purchase three parcels located along East North Street and East Battle Street from Talladega First Inc. for the purpose of constructing a motor vehicle parking lot.

**Resolution #1730** approving contracts with G&C, HD Supply, Vellano, Empire, Mainline, Calhoun and Consolidated for purchase of construction materials for the Water Department per bid specifications.

**Resolution #1731** approving contract with Coosa Valley Propane for purchase of propane at a cost of \$2.05 per gallon per bid specifications.

**Resolution #1732** approving contracts with Service, Industrial, KC Industries, C&S, Brenntag and Harcross for the purchase of chemicals per bid specifications.

**Resolution #1733** approving contract renewal with Alexander Construction for patching and paving water cuts in City streets per bid specifications for a cost of approximately \$112,000.

**Resolution #1734** approving contract renewal with Evergreen Lawn Care for grounds maintenance of all Water Department facilities per bid specifications for a cost of approximately \$19,000.

**Resolution #1735** approving an agreement with Neal Schaffer Engineering to develop a roadway inventory program for all streets within the City of Talladega at a cost of \$29,750.

**Resolution #1736** designating depositories (bank accounts) for municipal funds.

**Resolution #1737** authorizing the Municipal Airport to make application for airport improvement funding assistance from the State of Alabama Department of Transportation for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

**Resolution #1738** to enter into an agreement with Talladega First Inc. (Antique Talladega) to promote the City through tourism, encourage preservation and restoration of the downtown area and recruit new businesses to the downtown area in the amount of \$60,000.

**Resolution #1739** to enter into an agreement with The Greater Talladega Area Chamber of Commerce to promote the City of Talladega in the amount of \$37,500.

**Resolution #1740** to enter into an agreement with Community Action Agency of Talladega, Clay and Randolph Counties to provide transportation services for the elderly and disabled in the amount of \$10,000.

**Resolution #1741** to enter into an agreement with Community Life Institute to provide assistance and services to low income elderly individuals in the Talladega area in the amount of \$5,000.

**Resolution #1742** to enter into an agreement with East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission to assist the Senior Prescription Drug Program in the amount of \$30,000.

**Resolution #1743** to enter into an agreement with East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission to assist the RSVP Program in the amount of \$4,000.

**Resolution #1744** to enter into an agreement with the Talladega Rescue Squad to provide services to the Talladega community in the amount of \$4,200.

**Resolution #1745** to enter into an agreement with The Boys and Girls Clubs to provide services to the Talladega community in the amount of \$12,000.

**Resolution #1746** to enter into an agreement with Isaiah House Food Ministry to provide food items to the elderly and needy families in the Talladega area in the amount of \$7,000.

**Resolution #1747** to enter into an agreement with Talladega County Economic Development Authority, Inc. in the amount of \$50,000.

**Resolution #1748** to enter into an agreement with Talladega Heritage Commission in the amount of \$58,000.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second from Councilman Davis to adopt Resolutions #1729 to #1748. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Ordinance #1647** designating the Finance Director and the City Clerk as authorized signatories on all City Bank accounts.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second by Councilman Davis for the immediate consideration of Ordinance #1647. Roll Call. AYES: All

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second by Councilman Davis for the reading of the heading only of Ordinance #1647. Roll Call. AYES: All.

“An Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Talladega, Alabama to adopt method of payment of municipal funds pursuant to Code of Alabama, 1975, 11-43A-31.”

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second by Councilman Davis for the adoption of Ordinance #1647. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

**Expenditures for 9/15 to 10/02/08**

**\$ 455,403.00**

City Manager discussed the following items:

- Indicated that the money owed by the City of Lincoln was still an ongoing matter.
- Presented the Council with the City Attorney's legal opinion on the fence issue between Talladega Municipal Airport and ATAP and recommended that this opinion be accepted as the Council's position on the matter.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second from Councilman Davis to accept the presented legal opinion as the Council's position. AYES: All.

- Presented the City Attorney's legal opinion on zoning for modular/mobile homes in the City. Council President requested that the City Attorney be present at the next meeting to answer questions.
- Requested Council approval of new City positions: Accounting Clerk, Administrative Assistant to the City Manager, Assistant Director of Public Works, Community Development Director, Economic Development Specialist and second Administrative Secretary for the Manager's office.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second by Councilman Davis to approve the new City positions. AYES: All.

- Requested approval of revised job descriptions for Director of Public Works and Director of Parks & Recreation.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second by Councilman Davis to approve the revised job descriptions. AYES: All.

- Presented the Council with a summary report of his first 90 days on the job. Comments included the purchasing of land for a parking lot downtown, completion of budget and capital improvements program, improvements completed at the Sports Complex (thanking Coosa Valley Electric and the Talladega Municipal Airport for their help), submittal of several grant applications, working partnership with Talladega College, begin a fire hydrant flushing and servicing program, and completion of a map that shows all the property owned by the City.

Councilman Tucker commented on the problem of noise pollution from boom boxes but that there were some cases when a bit more noise during reasonable hours for a party or something would be alright and there needs to be a balance. Council President Patterson indicated that he did not want to alter the ordinance and requested a copy of the noise ordinance be in the next council packet.

Councilman Grissett thanked all those who sent cards, thoughts and prayers during his time in the hospital. Councilman Grissett commented on how the new appropriations contracts required a monthly report for accountability and that this was very straight forward and fair. Councilman Grissett asked for an update on the telemetry system, the Coleman Circle grant and the City's fuel conservation efforts. City Manager Stampfler indicated that there would be an update for next meeting. The Manager also stated that communication concerning the Coleman Circle grant would go first to the Mayor.

Councilman Davis commented on the departure of George Culver from his position with Talladega First and stated that Mr. Culver had quite an impact on the success of the Ritz Theatre. Councilman Davis reminded the Council of the joint meeting with the City School Board tomorrow night. Councilman Davis finally commented on the fact that this Council had been together now for one year and that it had been a really good year, but there was still so much to do.

City Manager Stampfler indicated that the purchase of the three parcels was the result of a partnership between the City and the downtown merchant and that it would add about 27 parking spaces to the area. All of this was part of the downtown revitalization and one of many steps to make the downtown a viable commercial area.

The Council went into Executive Session at 6:15 pm. Returned from Executive Session at 7:00 pm. Motion by Councilman Grissett that the Council take no action at this particular time. Seconded by Councilman Davis. AYES: All.

Councilman Grissett moved 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, 6 October 2008, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.

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Elizabeth Cheeks  
Acting City Clerk