

**CITY COUNCIL OF TALLADEGA
REGULAR MEETING
January 8, 2018-5:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 5:00 p.m., at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President David Street, Councilman Ricky Simpson, Councilman Gerald Cooper, and City Manager Patrick Bryant.

Invocation by Reverend Hugh Morris.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper to excuse the absence of Councilman Patterson and Councilman Elston. AYES: All.

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

FY 2017-18

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 12/18/2017 to 1/5/2018 **\$987,377.47**

General Operating Account 12/2017	761,307.72
Senior Nutrition	56,042.92
Corrections Fund	11,844.55
Cemetery Fund	57.63
Capital Improvement Fund	158,124.65

Motion by Councilman Cooper with a second from Councilman Simpson for approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 18, 2017. AYES: All.

Cindy Pennington and Lynn Hanner of the Rotary Club came before the Council to present prizes to the businesses that won for Christmas decorations on the Courthouse Square. Third place went to the Old Braswell building and accepting the prize was Joseph Husk and Kevin Smith, second place went to Amy Bishop, owner of Shear Stitches, and first place went to Lindsey Moses of LMo.

Fred Smith from the Community Foundation came before the Council to present grant opportunities. Mr. Smith stated that he wished to make the community aware of a grant opportunity called Open Spaces, Sacred Places of two \$10,000 grants to all nine of the counties in NE Alabama serviced by his foundation. He also informed the Council that there would be a presentation at the hospital tomorrow at 2pm going through the specifics and extended an invitation to all.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper to approve the application of Donna Edmiston to the Library Board. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of the proclamation for the 100 Men Group to be presented at the next meeting. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of the Parks and Recreation membership offer of buy one month, get one month free. AYES: All.

Resolution #4357 approving a contract with East Alabama Umpire Association to provide officiating services for basketball games for a cost not to exceed \$4,500.00.

Motion by Councilman Street with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of Resolution #4357. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Street and Councilman Cooper ABSTAIN: Councilman Simpson

Resolution #4358 approving a purchase of a tour package from Diamond Tours for the Parks & Recreation Senior Program at a cost of \$17,997.00 which will be covered by a fee collected from participants.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of Resolution #4358. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper to approve the invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. AYES: All.

FY 2017-18

Water Department Expenditures for 12/14/17 to 1/5/18		\$763,518.43
Operations & Maintenance	273,712.16	
Revenue	426,997.57	
Capital Improvements	62,808.70	

Resolution #4359 approving contract with InSite Engineering for design services for the decommission of the Niki Lu Wastewater Treatment Plant at a cost not to exceed \$43,500.00.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of Resolution #4359. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Council President Street reminded other council members to file their Campaign Committee reports with the Judge of Probate’s office by January 31, 2018.

City Manager Bryant requested that the next Council meeting be held 30 minutes earlier than planned in order for there to be time for a presentation concerning operating and enterprise capital improvement program. It was agreed upon that the next meeting be held 30 minute earlier. Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper to begin the next meeting at 4:30pm. AYES: All.

Mayor Cooper asked about the status of the plaque for the Ritz Theatre. City Manager Bryant commented that it has been ordered and waiting for it to come in. Mayor Cooper also wished to commend all the employees working out in the cold weather.

Council President Street also wished to echo the sentiments of the Mayor concerning the good work done by the employees out in the cold weather.

Motion from Councilman Simpson to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes Recorded by: Joanna Medlen

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, January 8, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers in the City of Talladega, Alabama.