

**CITY OF TALLADEGA  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
March 14, 2022 – 5:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the Talladega City Hall Chambers. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Horace Patterson, Council Member Vickey R. Hall, Councilman Joe Power, Council Member Betty Spratlin, Councilman Trae Williams, Mayor Timothy Ragland, and City Manager Seddrick Hill.

Invocation by Council President Patterson

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Spratlin for the approval of the amended agenda. AYES: All.

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Councilman Power to approve invoices and expenditures. Roll Call. AYES: All.

<b>Total Invoices &amp; Expenditures from 2/23/2022-3/3/2022</b>	<b>\$411,618.20</b>
General Fund	402,351.52
Corrections Fund	8,203.42
Library Fund	127.13
Municipal Airport	936.13

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2022. AYES: All.

Mayor Ragland swears in Nicola Lawler to the Library Board.

Mike Brewer from the East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission came before the Council concerning the upcoming redistricting of ward boundaries. It was mentioned that ever ten years a redistrict is necessary due to population shifts. Mr. Brewer stated that the goal is to get all wards to the same target population. It was also mentioned that the community would be included in this process.

Council President Patterson deferred to Amanda Stephens concerning the City Manager contract amendment. Ms. Stephens stated that there were some reservations concerning the Council's agreement to allow the City Manager to travel without Council approval. Council President Patterson stated that this was agreed to by the Council and did not wish to re-visit the issue at this time. Ms. Stephens next inquired about the Police Chief position. City Manager Hill stated that it would be addressed in the comment portion of the meeting.

Council President Patterson deferred to Victor Turner concerning Oglesby Mobile Home Park. Mr. Oglesby stated that he was had intentions of purchasing the park however is requesting that the city provide individual water meters, dumpsters instead of separate cans, and repair the roadways in the park. Council President Patterson suggested Mr. Turner confer with City Manager Hill concerning these matters and get back with the Council afterwards.

Jimmy Williams came before the Council concerning the City's Main Street Alabama application. Mr. Williams presented to the Council a new tourism website, several initiatives to bolster tourism, and discussed several items on the agenda in relation to the application. Also, shown to the Council and audience were roof material for the Chamber of Commerce roof.

**Ordinance #1904** amending ordinance #1716 to increase the transient occupancy tax

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second by Councilman Power for the Reading of the Heading Only of Ordinance #1904. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Power, and Councilman Williams NAYS: Council Member Hall and Council Member Spratlin  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1716 TO INCREASE THE TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX

Motion by Councilman Power with a second by Councilman Williams for the Waiver of the first reading of the ordinance and Immediate Consideration of Ordinance #1904. Roll Call AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Power, and Councilman Williams NAYS: Council Member Hall and Council Member Spratlin *Needs unanimous vote. Adoption will be considered at next meeting.*

**Ordinance #1905** amending Ordinance #1780 to prohibit the use of jake brakes/engine stops in the City of Talladega

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Spratlin for Immediate Consideration of Ordinance #1905. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Power with a second from Council Member Spratlin for the Reading of the Heading Only of Ordinance #1905. Roll Call AYES: All.

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER 1780 TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF ENGINE STOPS/JAKE BRAKES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AND POLICE JURISDICTION IN THE CITY OF TALLADEGA, ALABAMA**

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Councilman Power for the Adoption of Ordinance #1905. Roll Call AYES: All.

**Resolution #5446** to support future economic incentive plans for small businesses

**Resolution #5447** to support current and future senior citizen benefits

**Resolution #5448** approving a contract for redistricting services with East Alabama Regional Planning and Development at a cost of \$10,000

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Spratlin for the approval of Resolution #5446 to Resolution #5448. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5449** approving the appropriation of \$100,000 to the Economic Redevelopment Authority for the current façade grant pending CIP 2022 approval Tabled *to the next meeting*

**Resolution #5450** approving an agreement with CRI for audit services for governmental and enterprise funds for FY2021 in the amount of \$68,000

There was some discussion upon the agreement and a request was made to have a representative present before approving the resolution.

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Councilman Patterson for the approval of Resolution #5450. *Failed.*

Motion by Councilman Spratlin with a second by Council Member Hall to approve invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. Roll Call. AYES: All.

<b>Water Department Expenditures for 2/23/2021 to 3/3/2022</b>	<b>\$361,359.15</b>
Water/Sewer Fund	361,359.15

Mayor Ragland wished to congratulate Durquavion Truss as Player of the Year in Basketball for Talladega County, Talladega College men's basketball team for advancing to the NAIA tournament, and the Tornadoes women's basketball team.

City Manager Hill announced that the Police Chief interviews would be conducted Saturday and on Sunday the public would be able to interact with the candidates.

Council President Patterson wished to invite everyone to the Talladega County Retirement Association at Shocco Springs and mentioned that there was a Called City Council meeting on March 21, 2022 at 4pm.

Motion by Councilman Power with a second from Councilman Williams for adjournment. AYES: All.

## **AUTHENTICATION**

I, Joanna Medlen, 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, March 14, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the City of Talladega, Alabama City Hall Council Chambers.