

**CITY OF TALLADEGA  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
March 15, 2021 – 5:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. in the Talladega City Hall Chambers. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Trae Williams, Councilman Horace Patterson, Council Member Vickey R. Hall, Councilman Betty Spratlin, Councilman Joseph K. Power, Jr., Mayor Ragland and Interim City Manager Kelsey Gallahar.

Invocation by Councilman Patterson.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Power for the approval of the amended agenda. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Council President Williams to approve invoices and expenditures. Roll Call. AYES: All.

<b>Total Invoices &amp; Expenditures from 2/25/2021-3/8/2021</b>	<b>\$115,468.49</b>
General Fund	98,584.44
Corrections Fund	16,402.55
Cemetery	75.53
Library Fund	312.98
Municipal Airport	5,372.99
Capital Projects Trust Fund	720.00

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Council President Williams for the approval of the Regular Meeting of March 1, 2021 and the Called Meeting of March 4, 2021. AYES: All.

Council President Williams announced that the top three candidates for City Manager were Interim City Manager Kelsey Gallahar, Seddrick Hill, and Michael Nagy. He then deferred to Interim City Manager Gallahar. Interim City Manager Gallahar wished to withdraw her application for the City Manager position citing personal reasons, but wished to thank everyone for the opportunity. Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Council President Williams to appoint Seddrick Hill to the position of City Manager. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Becky Griffin and Russell Bowden came before the Council to discuss repairs to the Heritage Hall building. Ms. Griffin commented that since the repairs to the basement, activities are being held in that location, however if the drainage issue is not addressed problems could arise and requested that the Council look into the matter.

Phoebe Presson came before the Council informing the Council that her non profit organization Community Transformation Ministries have been mentoring children in the community and requested assistance in tutoring Talladega's children.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Council President Williams to approve a waiver of vendor fees for Sunshine Saturday. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Council President Williams to approve a request for temporary road block and waiver of the noise ordinance for Talladega College for the Spring Concert. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Rob Clardy came before the Council concerning weed abatement issues; suggesting that the City contract or bid out the grass cutting for Bemiston Parkway.

Council President Williams wished to relay the Sensory Advisory Panel's gratitude to Public Works Director Phillips and Interim City Manager Gallahar.

**Resolution #5232** amending Resolution #5209 placing a demolition lien on 720 Pulliam St.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Council President Williams for the approval of Resolution #5232. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5233** surplusing of 2002 Chevrolet Tahoe 4x4 (1GNEK13Z02J284153) from the Fire Department

Motion by Council President Williams with a second from Councilman Patterson for the approval of Resolution #5233. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second by Council President Williams to approve invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. Roll Call. AYES: All.

<b>Water Department Expenditures for 2/24/2021 to 3/8/2021</b>	<b>\$ 160,365.85</b>
Water/Sewer Fund	160,365.85

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Council Member Spratlin to contribute \$1,500.00 to Community Transformation Ministries to assist them in their endeavor to help the City's children. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Williams, Councilman Patterson, Council Member Hall, and Council Member Spratlin ABSTAIN: Councilman Power

Talladega College President Hawkins at this time wished to match the City's donation to Community Transformation Ministries. Councilman Patterson requested that Ms. Presson return with a budget and projections for the future.

Interim City Manager Gallahar informed the Council that archery sign up was still underway and also wished to congratulate the basketball team for making it to State.

Mayor Ragland wished to thank Interim City Manager Gallahar for all the work done during her time as City Manager and wished to make everyone aware of the approaching inclement weather. He also wished to congratulate Mr. Hill on his appointment as City Manager. Mayor Ragland also mentioned that if things needed to be said he will say it as well as a rebuttal if necessary and if it was not palatable, he wished to apologize.

Councilman Patterson wished to congratulate Mr. Hill and wished to apologize to the Mayor if he had done anything to negatively affect him.

Councilman Power suggested with the incoming Finance Director that a quarterly report and explanation of the finances be given to the Council.

Council President Williams thanked all the candidates who applied for the position of City Manager and expressed his thanks to Interim City Manager Gallahar for her service.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Council President 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 15, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. in the City of Talladega, Alabama City Hall Council Chambers.