

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

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 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 Horace Patterson, Councilman Ricky Simpson, Councilman Gerald Cooper, Councilman Jarvis Elston, and City Manager Patrick Bryant.

Invocation by Minnie Bailey of First United Methodist.

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

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

**Total Invoices & Expenditures for 2/19/2017 to 3/2/2018** **\$376,619.77**

General Operating Account 2/2018	364,371.91
Corrections Fund	346.50
Capital Improvement Fund	11,901.36

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Cooper for approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 22, 2018. AYES: All.

Jeff Hayes, President of the Alabama Hiking Trail Society wished to inform the Council that the future expansion of the Appalachian trail may favorably impact the City of Talladega economically and extended an invitation to their annual conference at the end of the month.

Talladega High School Band Director, Mr. Player presented to the Council a sample of the new band uniform and requested a contribution to the band for their trip to Orlando. Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Simpson to approve the contribution request to the Talladega High School band in the amount of \$1,000.00. AYES: All.

Council President Street presented to the Council a contribution request to the Talladega Junior Welfare League. It was commented that the Welfare League serves many organizations in the community. Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Elston to approve the contribution request to the Talladega Junior Welfare League in the amount of \$1,000.00. AYES: All.

Council President Street deferred to City Manager Bryant to announce the next E-Recycling Day. This event will be held on March 16 from 10am-2pm in the Piggly Wiggly parking lot on West Battle Street. Items that can be recycled include computers, monitors, telephones, televisions, and etc.

Councilman Patterson introduced Jacob's Chapel's new pastor, Reverend Phoebe Preston, who will be going to Tanzania for an evangelizing work. Reverend Preston came before the Council to request a waiver of vendor fees for their Spring Fest on May 26. Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Elston to waive the vendor fees for the Spring Fest event. AYES: All.

**Resolutions #4396** approving property lien for junk car abatement

**Resolution #4397** approving the City's participation in the Alabama Department of Education Summer Food Program for the summer of 2018.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Patterson for the approval of Resolution #4396 and #4397. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #4398** approving a contract with Neel-Schaffer Engineering for design services for a splash pad at Spring Street Recreation Center at a cost not to exceed \$58,530.00.

There was some discussion concerning Resolution #4398. Councilman Elston had questions about the proposed area in which the splash pad would be located at the Recreation Center and requested a map be provided indicating its location. Councilman Simpson expressed concerns about the limited amount of space in the designated area. Councilman Cooper questioned whether or not the parking spaces at the Spring Street Recreation Center could accommodate the patrons of the splash pad.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Cooper to table Resolution #4398 until the next meeting. Roll Call. AYES: Councilman Simpson, Councilman Cooper, and Councilman Elston NAYS: Council President Street and Councilman Patterson.

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

<b>Water Department Expenditures for 2/22/18</b>		<b>\$183,678.06</b>
Operations & Maintenance	56,827.52	
Revenue	117,187.20	
Capital Improvements	9,663.34	

**Resolution #4399** approving a contract with InSite Engineering for leak detection services at a cost not to exceed \$35,325.00.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of Resolution #4399. Roll Call. AYES: All.

City Manager Bryant wished to clarify that the information concerning the splash pad location had already been presented and was unanimously approved by the Council. City Manager Bryant also reminded Council that he would be taping a segment called “Small Town Rising” on March 8 for ABC 33/40.

Councilman Patterson commented that the entrance at the Mabra Center on Martin Luther King needed to have a gate to discourage people driving off the roadway and also recommended that something be done about the loitering near the restrooms at Duncan Pinkston Park.

Councilman Elston commented that he had asked for a pictorial representation of the proposed splash pad and didn’t think it was well documented.

Council President Street wished to recognize City Manager Bryant for his role on the special segment for ABC 33/40.

Motion from Councilman Patterson 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, March 5, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers in the City of Talladega, Alabama.