

**CITY OF TALLADEGA  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
June 7, 2021 – 5:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, June 7, 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 Betty Spratlin, Councilman Horace Patterson, Council Member Vickey R. Hall, Councilman Trae Williams, Councilman Joseph K. Power, Jr., and City Manager Hill.

Invocation by Reverend Hugh Morris.

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

Public hearing was opened for anyone who wished to comment and/or object to the rezoning of a parcel on Alexander St. Councilman Williams commented that this property was in his ward and that he is in support of the rezone. There was no other comment or complaints and the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Power inquired about the cost of oil changes and the Verizon cell phone bill. He requested that City Manager Hill look into the matter. City Manager Hill commented that the City is looking into bringing internal personnel instead of subletting out the oil changes and moving the cell phone coverage under the provider First Net.

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

<b>Total Invoices &amp; Expenditures from 5/14/2021-6/1/2021</b>	<b>\$101,786.39</b>
General Fund	81,846.32
Corrections Fund	440.67
Cemetery	18,850.00
Municipal Airport	649.40

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of the Regular Meeting of May 24, 2021. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second by Council Member Hall for the approval to petition for bids for operational supplies and services. Roll Call. AYES: All.

City Manager Hill presented a proclamation to the Talladega Walgreens in recognition of being selected as a Western Top Winner in the 2021 Champion of Champions Award Program for Corporate Social Responsibility.

**Resolution #5254** for condemned structure located at 110 Coffee St.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Williams for the approval of Resolution #5254. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5255** to approve Hazard Pay and retention pay for Fire Department and Police Department

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Power for the approval of Resolution #5255. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Ordinance #1887** to rezone a parcel on Alexander St.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Williams for the Reading of the Heading Only of Ordinance #1887. Roll Call. AYES: All.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 1882, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED, SAID ORDINANCE, AND THE AMENDMENTS RELATED

THERE TO, BEING ENTITLED “City of Talladega – Zoning Ordinance”, AS FOLLOWS, AND IN NO OTHER PARTICULARS

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Councilman Patterson for the Immediate Consideration of Ordinance #1887. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Williams for the Adoption of Ordinance #1887. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Patterson 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 5/14/2021 to 6/1/2021</b>	<b>\$ 176,722.41</b>
Water/Sewer Fund	176,722.41

Council President Spratlin deferred to Building Inspector Morgan concerning the CDBG grant. Building Inspector Morgan stated that literature for the grant, which will aid in blight removal for a small target area, would be distributed to the citizens to bring awareness out to the community. He also commented that there would be a Town Hall Meeting on June 24 at 5:30pm concerning this matter.

City Manager Hill commented that the Fire Department had participated in a job fair in Munford and responded to 77 calls for service. He also stated that Caleb Michael Duncan had completed and attained certification. Also mentioned were four police recruits who have entered the Selma Police Academy and the issuance of 30 permits and inspections performed by Building Inspector Morgan. The Public Library had 12,229 visitors in May and 605 checked out books. He also mentioned that he had started to attend the School Board of Education meetings and the Drug Task Force meeting. Next, he stated that he had attended the City Manager Conference in Gulf Shores and learned much. He also informed the Council that he had received two messages from the community; one thanking the City for the heavy police presence of late and the other by local business, DynaSafe wishing to convey their gratitude for the City’s beautification efforts. City Manager Hill next introduced incoming Finance Director Richard Sweat. Also mentioned was a need for volunteers for the food give away on June 18, a back-to-school event hosted by United Way at Veterans Park on August 7, and Heritage Hall Camp beginning on July 12. Also mentioned was receiving documents on how to go about applying for the American Rescue Plan.

Council Member Hall wished to thank the Police Department on doing a good job.

Councilman Patterson wished to express his appreciation to the Fire Department and encourage all the department heads to let their staff know they are appreciated as well. He also noted the heavier police presence in the last couple of weeks and expressed his thanks.

Councilman Williams wished to echo his appreciation as well and also commented that he had received compliments from every department from the Police Department to Community Appearance.

Councilman Power noted that the calls concerning ATVs in the roadways have ceased and inquired if the City was safe from cyber-crime.

Council President Spratlin also wished to thank all the department heads for working together in the absence of Public Works Director Phillips. She also informed the Council that Mayor Ragland has requested a leave of absence in order to prepare for the Bar exam and should return in August. In the meantime, all proclamations will be performed by City Manager Hill.

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Councilman Patterson to go into Executive Session to discuss purchase of real estate at 5:37pm. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Council returned to the Chambers at 5:56pm with no action taken.

Motion by Council President Spratlin with a second from Council Member Hall 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, June 7, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. in the City of Talladega, Alabama City Hall Council Chambers.