

## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

July 24, 2017-5:00 pm

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, July 24, 2017 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 Jarvis Elston, Councilman Gerald Cooper, Sr., City Manager Patrick Bryant, and Mayor Jerry Cooper, Sr.

Invocation by Councilman Patterson.

Council President Street recognized the presence of City Attorney O'Brien.

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

**Total Invoices & Expenditures for 7/10/2017 to 7/21/2017** **\$1,260,625.13**

General Operating Account	987,935.43
Senior Nutrition	128,633.90
Municipal Court	4,658.17
Corrections	24,262.92
Cemetery Fund	7,250.00
Capital Improvement Fund	107,884.71

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Cooper for approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 10, 2017. AYES: Councilman Patterson, Councilman Cooper, Councilman Elston, and Councilman Simpson ABSTAIN: Council President Street

Council President Street deferred to City Manager Bryant concerning Big Springs Monument. City Manager Bryant commented that despite much chatter amongst the community concerning the demolition of the Big Springs Monument; per a recently enacted law which protects monuments of a certain age from being removed, the City could not legally remove the Big Springs Monument. Instead repairs on the monument will be made, however until these repairs are done, the monument will be unavailable for public use.

Citizen Hubert Hubbard came before the Council concerning the Big Springs Monument, expressing his approval of the decision to repair the monument.

David Andrews from the Center for Municipal Solutions came before the Council concerning a special use permit for a T-Mobile tower located at 420 Stone Hill Drive. T-Mobile is in the process of adding more antennas to provide better coverage.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Elston for the approval of wording and size for the Ritz Theatre plaque. AYES: All.

**Resolutions #4178** approving nuisance abatement for junk cars at 510 Coffee Street.

Motion by Councilman Cooper with a second from Councilman Patterson for the approval of Resolution #4178. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #4179** approving a Special Use Permit for a T-Mobile telecommunication tower modification.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Patterson for the approval of Resolution #4179. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #4180** approving a contract with Davis Builders for remodeling both restrooms at the Mabra Recreation Center for a cost of \$53,380.00.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Elston for the approval of Resolution #4180. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #4181** approving a contract with Davis Builders for repairs to the Bemiston Recreation Center for a cost of \$80,600.00.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Cooper for the approval of Resolution #4181. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

<b>Water Department Expenditures for 7/6/17 to 7/20/17</b>	<b>\$574,434.66</b>
Operations & Maintenance	185,643.07
Revenue	349,745.09
Capital Improvement	39,046.50

**Resolution #4182** approving a contract with Metal Roofing Solutions of Duncanville, AL for roof replacement of the Water Department Office for a cost of \$157,587.00.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Patterson for the approval of Resolution #4182. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #4183** approving a contract with InSite Engineering for design services for upgrades at the Brecon Sanitary Sewer Pump Station for a cost not to exceed \$53,200.00.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Patterson for the approval of Resolution #4183. Roll Call. AYES: All.

City Manager Bryant wished to thank the audience for their attendance and to thank the Council for their support for the new classification and compensation plan.

Councilman Elston wished to announce that Belville Baptist Church will be having a Back to School event on Saturday at 10am.

Councilman Simpson wished to recognize Kevin Smith, the new property owner of the Braswell Building located on the Courthouse Square.

Councilman Patterson recognized Superintendent Roller and expressed his gratitude for a job well done.

Councilman Cooper expressed his concern about the debris in the drainage pipes of an elderly citizen and requested that the City Manager look into it. He also mentioned that the grass in the Bemiston area is in need of attending to. City Manager Bryant commented that due to the excessive amount of rain and the heat wave, the growing height for the grass is at an all-time high and stated that the Community Appearance Department is doing all that they can to remedy the situation.

Mayor Cooper wished to thank the Council and City Clerk Cheeks for looking into and making a decision on the Ritz Theatre plaque. He also wished to commend the Community Appearance workers for their hard work in the high heat.

Brought before the Council was the meeting dates for the month of September and October. It was agreed upon that meeting dates are September 11 and September 25 and October 9 and October 23. Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Patterson for the approval of the September and October 2017 meeting dates. AYES: All.

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, July 24, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers in the City of Talladega, Alabama.