

**CITY OF TALLADEGA**  
**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
June 28, 2010

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, June 28, 2010 at 5:30 p.m., in the City Hall Auditorium, the regular place for such meetings. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Horace Patterson, Councilman Donnie Miller, Councilman Jimmy Davis, and Interim City Manager Chris Stone

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

<b>Total Invoices &amp; Expenditures for 6/7/2010 to 6/25/2010</b>	<b>\$ 716,836.78</b>
General Operating Fund	640,297.01
Corrections Fund	15,463.37
Brownfield Grant	27,142.37
Police Grant Fund	33,934.03

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second by Councilman Davis for approval of minutes of the called meeting of April 12, 2010 and the regular meeting of May 3, 2010. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second from Councilman Miller to excuse the absences of Councilman Tucker and Councilman Grissett. AYES: All

**Resolution #2066** renewal of the City's Section 5311 Non-urbanized Area Public Transportation Program for fiscal year 2010-2011 with a local match of up to \$41,724.

**Resolution #2067** approving contract with NAFECO of Decatur, Alabama for Fire Department turn-out gear as set forth in bid specifications.

**Resolution #2068** approving contract with Hale Building for sidewalk restorations per bid specifications.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second from Councilman Miller to approve Resolutions #2066-2068. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second by Councilman Miller to approve invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. AYES: All.

<b>Water Department Expenditures for 6/9/10 to 6/24/2010</b>	<b>\$ 374,733.74</b>
General Fund	345,348.28
Coleman Circle Project	29,385.46

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second by Councilman Miller to approve writing off the bad debt of \$112.00 as presented by the Finance Director Teri St. James. AYES: All.

Councilman Miller asked that the bad checks be sent on to the District Attorney or Bad Check Division.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second from Councilman Miller approving Civil Service Board recommended change of specialized testing for policeman and firemen at a cost of about \$10.00 each test. AYES: All.

July 2010 Council meetings were set for Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm and Thursday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm.

Council President Patterson asked about the plan for sidewalk repair. Acting Public Works Director, Karen Phillips indicated that the repairs would be divided up as equally as possible between the five Wards. Councilman Davis asked about the different thicknesses of concrete bid out for sidewalks. Ms. Phillips explained that the area of the sidewalk that went across a driveway was done with thicker concrete than the pedestrian part of the sidewalk.

Interim City Manager Chris Stone stated he was very impressed with how quickly the City streets were cleared of debris during the severe storms the other night (July 21). The City lost a great many very large trees and there was significant damage to several homes and businesses.

Councilman Miller requested that the City Council pass a resolution at the next council meeting to join with the City of Lincoln and Talladega County for tri-party administration of the Coosa Valley Recreation Board.

Councilman Miller also wished to discuss the FOG ordinance, stating that the fees and fines seemed to be rather high, especially for a church that didn't use their kitchens on a regular basis. Acting Water Department Director Cathy Fuller stated that they were talking with each church individually to see if the kitchen use qualified for the grease trap fees. Council President asked that the City Manager take a look at the fee schedule for the FOG ordinance and compare it to other municipalities.

There was some discussion on analyzing the older trees on City streets to see if they needed to be trimmed back from power lines and to check for decay. Councilman Miller asked if there was any money in the Capital Improvement budget to take down additional trees where necessary.

Councilman Miller indicated that the City was losing dollars by not having baseball tournaments at the Sports Complex. Councilman Miller stated that he had contact with a representative of the Alabama Baseball Players Association and that they were interested in having tournaments in our area. Council President Patterson asked that this representative be asked to come to a meeting with the City Manager.

Councilman Davis asked what the plan was for recycling in the City and Interim City Manager Chris Stone that after looking at the pros and cons a decision would be made within the month.

Councilman Miller motion for adjournment.

#### **AUTHENTICATION**

I, Elizabeth Cheeks, Acting 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 28, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.

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Elizabeth Cheeks  
City Clerk