

CITY OF TALLADEGA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
4 August 2008

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, 4 August 2008 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 Eddie Tucker, Councilman Donnie Miller, Councilman Lance Grissett, Councilman Jimmy Davis, Mayor Brian York and City Manager Michael Stampfler.

Invocation given by Rev. Marcia Rader, Minister of Music, Cherry Street Church of God.

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

SUMMARY OF INVOICES & EXPENDITURES

Transfer of Funds	6,083.33
Payroll Deductions, Benefits & Taxes	328,599.53
Refunds	140.00
City Council	37,474.68
City Manager's Office	1,066.92
Finance Department	1,354.03
City Clerk's Office	1,234.96
Police Department	16,329.75
Police Communications	98.69
Animal Control	2,072.05
Municipal Court Office	154.99
Fire Department	4,900.63
Public Works Department	14,471.75
Community Appearance Department	7,066.46
Parks & Recreation Department	35,268.99
City Building Expenditures	97,936.88
Non-Departmental Expenditures	45,703.11
Debt Service	21,191.42
Total Invoices & Expenditures	621,148.17

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second by Councilman Miller to approve the minutes with corrections for the Regular Meeting of July 7, Called Meeting and Joint School Board Meeting of July 14, and the Work Session of July 24, 2008. AYES: Councilman Davis, Councilman Grissett, Council President Patterson and Councilman Donnie Miller. Abstain: Councilman Tucker.

Resolution #1700 enter into an agreement for providing animal control services to Talladega County for a cost of \$63,227.60 for one year to be paid in four installments.

Resolution #1701 to surplus certain City property.

Resolution #1702 to enter into a contract with Johnny Vetra Auction Inc. to hold an auction to sell surplus equipment for 10% commission.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second from Councilman Grissett to adopt Resolutions #1700 to #1702. AYES: All.

Resolution #1703 to ratify the ten goals for fiscal year 2008-2009 that were made during the Council work session on July 24, 2008.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second from Councilman Davis to ratify Resolution #1703. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Davis, Councilman Grissett and Councilman Miller NAY: Councilman Tucker

Ordinance #1642 shortening the length of time allowed to comply once served with a City notice to cut weeds/vegetations and correct other situations harboring mosquitoes to seven (7) days.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second from Councilman Davis for immediate consideration of Ordinance #1642. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second from Councilman Davis for reading of the heading only of Ordinance #1642. Roll Call. AYES: All.

An ordinance repealing Ordinance #1562 in its entirety and requiring the cutting of weeds and other vegetation or other things and requiring correction of conditions favorable to harboring of mosquitoes or other insects of like kind or rodents; providing for the abatement of such conditions favorable to the harboring of such insects or rodents and to provide penalties for the violation thereof; pursuant to Sections 11-47-131 and 11-47-140 Code of Alabama, 1975, and Alabama Act 3000-774, and as may be amended.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second by Councilman Davis for adoption of Ordinance #1642. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second by Councilman Grissett to approve invoices and expenditures for the Water Department. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Davis, Councilman Grissett and Councilman Miller, NAY: Councilman Tucker

Expenditures for July 24-31, 2008

\$ 247,785.13

Motion by Councilman Davis with a second by Councilman Grissett to ratify the emergency purchase of a water meter for the Federal Correctional Institute. AYES: All.

City Manager updated the Council on the in-kind services provided to the Board of Education which includes the monthly appropriation, Pre-K program funding, garbage service, and work done by City's Departments totals \$127,450.62. This total does not include the value of the property recently deeded to the Board of Education for their bus depot and maintenance facility. The Manager suggested that all grading of that site be done by the Board of Education's engineer to insure it is done to specifications required for the maintenance facility project. The Alabama Department of Transportation has not given the City a date for the installation of the flashing school beacons on Highway 77. The flashing intersection light at South and Elm Street is operational as requested and ready for the start of school. The ownership of the Mary H. Dumas stadium, according to historical documents in the City Clerk's office, indicated that it is Board of Education property.

Status report was presented for the Bemiston Recreation Center CDBG grant. ADECA considers the project closed.

City Manager requested some time (30 days) to fully review and address the Brecon Recreation Center situation.

As summation of the written comments from the July 17 Town Meeting was presented to the council.

A copy of the County Commission's resolution to support the City's efforts to enforce parking regulations in the vicinity of the Square and its expectations that County employees comply with such regulations.

Councilman Davis announced that the Armstrong/Osborne Public Library now has Wifi. Councilman Davis indicated that another joint meeting with the Board of Education needed to be set up. Possible locations would be the Library, Ritz Theater or the Mabra Center and that a list of topics or request for statistics would be given to

Superintendent Dr. Horton before the meeting so that the Board was able to gather information for discussion. Councilman Davis also announced the open house for the Presbyterian Oaks expansion on August 22, 2008.

Councilman Davis asked for an update on condemnations. City Manager indicated that an update would be ready for the next council meeting.

Councilman Grissett asked for an update on the fence that was authorized by Resolution #1591. The City Manager indicated that he had the fencing in of the storm water drainage ditch on hold while a permanent solution was investigated that did not cut the park in half. Also, investigating grant funding and if a better solution can not be found than the fencing would commence.

Councilman Grissett also requested an update on the contract for the repair of the stairs at the Spring Street Recreation Center pool. Work was in progress and the contractor had 30 days from date of bid award to complete the work. The area is currently off limits for safety reasons.

Mayor York gave an update on the Coosa River Annex, indicating that it could take a couple of months for the Department of Interior to complete their review.

Councilman Miller noted that the Public Hearing on Thursday night was a Public Hearing and not a council meeting. The public was welcome to make comments to the Charter Communications representative who would be present at the meeting.

Councilman Grissett motioned for adjournment at 6:55 pm.

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, 4 August 2008, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.

Elizabeth Cheeks
Acting City Clerk