

**CITY COUNCIL OF TALLADEGA
PRE-COUNCIL AGENDA
September 17, 2012 – 5:00 pm**

Rodney Cate and Shirley Snyder with petition concerning Forest Hills water issue. Numerous citizens in the Forest Hills subdivision voiced their complaints of the continued problems with the water quality. James Cassidy, Insite Engineering, briefly explained the reason for the water discoloration that included changing after 25 years from well water to treated surface water and the buildup in the pipes. Chuck Thomerson, Director of Water Department, explained some of the work to be done to include replacement of service lines. Mr. Thomerson also stated that he would get with every citizen in the Forest Hills subdivision to individually discuss their water issues.

Representatives for McDonalds Corporation, Renee Miller and David Howton, presented invitations to the Council members for the grand re-opening of the Talladega McDonalds.

Eddie Duncan thanked the Council for their recognition of his work with the Knoxville Back to School program that distributed school supplies to area children.

George Culver, Director of the Ritz Theatre, gave a brief overview of upcoming events at the Ritz and how the programs included local school children and a revitalization of the entertainment offered at the Ritz. Asked for consideration of the requested appropriation amount for 2013.

Public Hearing – Condemnation of properties at 110 Moon Street, 118 Moon Street and mobile home on Frazier Street. Ms. Mary Lane, property owner of 110 Moon Street, was given a favorable answer to her request for an extension of 60 days. Mr. John Swain, owner of 118 Moon Street, was advised to have the Building Inspector do a thorough inspection to list what was required to bring the house up to code.

**CITY OF TALLADEGA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
September 17, 2012 – 5:30 p.m.**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, September 17, 2012 at 5:30 p.m., at the Talladega City Hall Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Donnie Miller, Councilman Horace Patterson, Councilman Jarvis Elston, Councilman Joe Ballow, Councilman Rick Simpson and City Manager Brian Muenger.

Invocation by Rev. Dennis McKinney, Hobson City Baptist Church

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 9/1/2012 to 9/14/2012	\$ 804,816.57
General Operating Fund	645,934.51
Senior Nutrition	716.49
Cash Bond	330.00
Corrections Fund	46,737.33
Brownfield Grant	42,261.78
Capital Improvements	68,602.46
Oil Trust Fund	234.00

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second from Councilman Simpson for approval of minutes of the regular meeting of August 6, 2012. AYES: All.

City Clerk Beth Cheeks reported on the success of the 2012 Summer Food Program, stating that 7,605 breakfasts and 18,670 lunches had been served over 32 serving days in June and July. This was an increase of more than 7,000 meals served in 2011. The entire program was operated through grant funds from the Alabama Department of Education at no cost to the City.

U.S. Census Bureau correspondence dated Sept. 10, 2012 provided to the Council indicated that a correction had been made to the 2010 Census for the City of Talladega which increased the population from 15,676 to 16,033 (an increase of 357) due to a Structured Internal Group Quarters Review.

City Manager Muenger announced to the City Council that the City had been awarded the CDBG funding (\$362,490) for the Frazier Farms project.

Resolution #2595 approving a contract with Waites Construction for demolition of two structures for a total cost of \$8,920. (*tabled from previous meeting*)

No action was taken on Resolution #2595 as it included the two structures owned by Alfred Sims who has indicated through his attorney, Jake Montgomery, that he will be filing an appeal and no action can be taken on demolition until the court rules on the appeal. Councilman Elston voiced his objection to the Council inability to act on the condemnation and demolition of the two structures.

Resolution #2596 authorizing demolition of structure at 110 Moon Street (parcel ID #13-08-28-3-006-023.000)

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Simpson to grant a 60-day extension for Ms. Mary Lane on the 110 Moon Street property. AYES: All

Resolution #2597 authorizing demolition of structure at 118 Moon Street (parcel ID #13-08-28-3-006-029.000)

Resolution was tabled until the meeting of October 1, 2012.

Resolution #2598 authorizing demolition of mobile home on Frazier Street (parcel ID #13-08-28-3-005-001)

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second by Councilman Simpson to approve Resolution #2598. AYES: All.

Resolution #2599 approval of an application to the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) under the Local Government Energy Retrofit Program for a solar-powered replacement hot water system for the Fire Department for \$13,587 with a local match of \$3,397.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second by Councilman Simpson to approve Resolution #2599. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2600 approving application to Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) for funding assistance from the Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program (ATRIP) for the purpose of replacing the bridge on West Street over Isbell Branch with the City providing 20% local match.

Resolution #2601 approving application to Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) for funding assistance from the Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program (ATRIP) for the purpose of replacing the bridge on Coosa Street over Isbell Branch with the City providing 20% local match.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second by Councilman Ballow for the approval of Resolutions #2600 and #2601. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2602 approving a contract with River Tree Systems Inc. to provide auditing of sales and use taxes collected by the City on an hourly basis not to exceed the budgeted amount for fiscal year 2013.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second by Councilman Ballow for the approval of Resolution #2602. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2603 approving a change order with Metro D Construction on the Ritz Theatre HVAC Replacement Project to add supports to the existing joists at a cost of \$2,845.80.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second by Councilman Simpson for the approval of Resolution #2603. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2604 approval of contract with Lynn Sims for use of a room at the Spring Street Recreation Center for dance instruction for a monthly cost of \$450.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second by Councilman Ballow for the approval of Resolution #2604. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2605 approval to surplus two Public Works trucks and one Police Department vehicle.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second by Councilman Patterson for the approval of Resolution #2605. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

Water Department Expenditures for 9/6/2012 to 9/13/2012	\$ 415,759.20
Operations Fund	239,375.23
Bond	83,504.71
Revenue	92,879.17

Resolution #2606 purchase bottled water and iron stain remover for Forest Hills residents.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second by Councilman Simpson for the approval of Resolution #2606. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Simpson to waive the vendor fees for those participating in the October 5, 2012 festivities with the Chamber of Commerce for the Race Weekend. Roll Call. AYES: All.

City Attorney Michael O'Brien stated that matters had come to his attention that could go to litigation and therefore allows the City Council to go into Executive Session at this time. Estimated time for Executive Session was 20 minutes.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Elston to enter into Executive Session. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Council entered into Executive Session at 6:25 pm

Council returned at 6:55 pm and no action was taken

Motion for Adjournment from Councilman Simpson.

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, September 17, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.

Elizabeth Cheeks, City Clerk