

**CITY OF TALLADEGA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
November 1, 2021 – 5:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, November 1, 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 Joseph K. Power, Jr., Councilman Trae Williams, and City Manager Seddrick Hill.

Invocation by Councilman Patterson.

Motion by Councilman Power with a second from Councilman Williams for the approval of the amended agenda. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures from 10/15/2021-10/25/2021	\$185,085.53
General Fund	146,907.12
Corrections Fund	1,759.94
Cemetery	9,900.00
Municipal Airport	23,498.55
Capital Projects Trust Fund	3,019.92

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of the Regular Meeting of October 21, 2021. AYES: All.

City Clerk Medlen swears in Becky Griffin to the Heritage Hall Commission.

City Clerk Medlen presents Hospice Month Proclamation to Affinity Hospice.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Williams for the approval of the request of right of way for a parcel located off the 275 by-pass which was presented at the last meeting. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Brought before the Council was a request from Talladega Bottling Works for the closure of Battle Street/Court Square South between the intersection of Battle Street/Court Square South and East Street and the intersection of Battle Street/Court Square South and Court Street South from 8am to 6pm on November 13, 2021 for Second Saturday in cooperation with the Veterans Parade. Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Councilman Power for the approval of the street closure and waiver of the open container. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #5335 approving an application to form and incorporate the Talladega Redevelopment Authority

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Williams for the approval of Resolution #5335. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #5338 110 Coffee Street extension and order

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Councilman Patterson for the approval of Resolution #5338. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Council President Spratlin deferred to Councilman Patterson who had concerns regarding the appropriations. Councilman Patterson commented that it was baffling to not have a budget on the agenda and troubling to expend money that is not had; stating that if there are appropriations, the question has to be where does the appropriations come from. He also questioned why the approval for the budget not on the agenda. City Manager Hill stated that the budget was sent out Friday, but had a few errors and could not be rectified until Monday morning. It was also mentioned that the Council would need more time to review it.

Appropriations

Resolution #5339 approving agreement with Alabama Cooperative System for a FY2022 appropriation of \$15,000

Resolution #5340 approving agreement with Armstrong-Osborne Public Library for a FY2022 appropriation of \$50,000

Resolution #5341 approving agreement with Boys & Girls Clubs of East Central Alabama for a FY2022 appropriation of \$16,500

Resolution #5342 approving agreement with CareerLIFE Corporation for a FY2022 appropriation of \$58,400

Resolution #5343 approving agreement with Central Alabama CrimeStoppers for a FY2022 appropriation of \$10,000

Resolution #5344 approving agreement with Dancing Stars, Incorporated for a FY2022 appropriation of \$3,000

Resolution #5345 approving agreement with Alabama Regional Planning Development Commission, Senior RX for a FY2022 appropriation of \$35,000

Resolution #5346 approving agreement with FIRST Family Service Center for a FY2022 appropriation of \$6,700

Resolution #5347 approving agreement with Hall of Heroes, Inc. for a FY2022 appropriation of \$60,000

Resolution #5348 approving agreement with Needmore Youth Development Center for a FY2022 appropriation of \$10,000

Resolution #5349 approving agreement with Presbyterian Home for Children for a FY2022 appropriation of \$50,000

Resolution #5350 approving agreement with Ritz Theatre for a FY2022 appropriation of \$53,530

Resolution #5351 approving agreement with Samaritan House for a FY2022 appropriation of \$12,000

Resolution #5352 approving agreement with Talladega City Schools for a FY2022 appropriation of \$150,000

Resolution #5353 approving agreement with Talladega County Child Advocacy Center – Palmer Place for a FY2022 appropriation of \$6,000

Resolution #5354 approving agreement with Talladega County Drug Task Force for a FY2022 appropriation of \$96,000

Resolution #5355 approving agreement with Talladega County Economic Development Authority for a FY2022 appropriation of \$26,000

Resolution #5356 approving agreement with Talladega Heritage Commission for a FY2022 appropriation of \$55,000

Resolution #5357 approving agreement with Talladega Pilgrimage Council for a FY2022 appropriation of \$7,500

Resolution #5358 approving agreement with Talladega’s Red Door Kitchen for a FY2022 appropriation of \$15,500

Resolution #5359 approving agreement with Talladega County NAACP for a FY2022 appropriation of \$3,000

Resolution #5360 approving agreement with Talladega Bottling Works LLC for a FY2022 appropriation of \$25,000

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Williams to table Resolution #5339 to Resolution #5360 until the meeting of November 15, 2021. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

Water Department Expenditures for 10/15/2021 to 10/22/2021	\$81,557.33
Water/Sewer Fund	81,557.33

Resolution #5336 approving a contract with InSite Engineering for design services for hydraulic repair to the Water Treatment Plant (WTP) at a cost not to exceed \$371,300.00

Resolution #5337 approving a contract with InSite Engineering for design services for new disk filter system at Brecon Wastewater Treatment Facility at a cost not to exceed \$144,300.00

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Hall to table Resolution #5336 and Resolution #5337 to the next meeting. Roll Call. AYES: All.

City Manager Hill commented that the budget had been submitted for review at the next Council Meeting as well as a 6-month evaluation report to the Council. It was also mentioned a request to present a State of the City address in December to report where funds were spent and what improvements and updates of the City to the community, a MOU was signed with the Governor's Office concerning up to 10 interns, met with several businesses sponsoring Christmas on the Square, continued process applying for Main Street Alabama program, met with business owners on the Square concerning what they'd like to see, met with the president of CACC, submitted to Alabama Power for green space, wrote to John Chambliss King architect concerning economic development plan, and presented a federal grants strategy for grants which the City will apply for.

Councilman Patterson requested an update on how things are going with time management as far as Community Appearance as they seem to be covering more ground. City Manager Hill stated that the collaboration between Community Appearance and Public Works is going well and there has been a slight change in strategy with Public Works coming in behind to do curbs and gutters, and pushing back grass off sidewalks. Also, by AIDB, new fencing with new sidewalks is being looked into so pedestrians can walk down the sidewalk to the Square. Councilman Patterson also inquired about strengthening litter laws. City Manager Hill stated that some work had been done such as adding to the litter crew, addition of cameras to high dumping areas, and increase of fines. It was also mentioned that GFL had picked up an illegal dump on Piedmont St. and that the street is now blocked off so cars cannot go around and dump off trash. Also mentioned was a change in plan, with the litter crew hitting the high traffic areas first such as Stephen J. White Blvd., Broadway, Tinney St., and other high visible areas, and possibly working with an Adopt a Mile program so businesses, high school, and college students could volunteer as community buy in was important for improvement in littering. There was further discussion upon developing partnerships with surrounding communities to develop ways to beautify the City.

Council President Spratlin requested an update of the Halloween event at the park. Parks and Recreation Director Ammons stated that 17,000 pieces of candy were distributed and over 600 cars were present.

Councilman Power stated that he did not see line items on income for litter fees and that perhaps if there were arrests for littering it would stop that type of behavior.

Council President Spratlin wished to thank City Manager Hill and Interim Police Chief McCoy for his prompt response to the issue with the school system.

Councilman Power reminded the Council that the reviews for the City Manager evaluations were due.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Williams 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, November 1, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. in the City of Talladega, Alabama City Hall Council Chambers.