

**CITY OF TALLADEGA  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
June 6, 2022 – 5:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, June 6, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the Talladega City Hall Chambers. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Horace Patterson, Council Member Vickey R. Hall, Councilman Joe Power, Council Member Betty Spratlin, Councilman Trae Williams, Mayor Timothy Ragland, and City Manager Seddrick Hill.

Invocation by Council President Patterson.

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Spratlin for the approval of the amended agenda. AYES: All.

Council President Patterson deferred to City Attorney O'Brien. Attorney O'Brien stated that one of the conditions of the MOU from Resolution #5488 is that the title to the property be checked and determined to be marketable and would be submitted to the City Manager.

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

<b>Total Invoices &amp; Expenditures from 5/4/2022-5/23/2022</b>	<b>\$309,938.88</b>
General Fund	220,757.85
Corrections Fund	23,206.64
Cemetery	3,430.34
Municipal Airport	28,629.05
Capital Projects Trust Fund	33,915.00

Motion by Councilmember Spratlin with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of the Special Called Meeting of May 16, 2022. AYES: All.

Council President Patterson announced that the Summer Food program had commenced today.

Guntersville Tribe Vice Chief Hess came before the Council concerning the possibility of holding a pow wow with vendor booths at Veterans Park. Vice Chief Hess informed the Council that their organization has been doing these types of events for years with the last one at Noccalula Falls in Gadsden. He also requested monetary aid in obtaining a special drum for the program. It was suggested that Vice Chief Hess meet with City Manager Hill to plan an event for next year.

Motion by Council Member Hall with a second from Councilman Williams to approve the contribution request of \$600 from CMP. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Councilman Power to approve the contribution request of \$2500 from the AIDB Foundation. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Patterson, Councilman Power, and Councilman Williams ABSTAIN: Council Member Hall and Council Member Spratlin

Motion by Council Member Hall with a second from Councilman Power to approve the contribution request of \$1000 from Terry's Mortuary. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Patterson, Council Member Hall, Councilman Power, and Councilman Williams ABSTAIN: Council Member Spratlin

**Resolution #5482** to endorse the CEDS (Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy) process and to encourage regional participation

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of Resolution #5482. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5483** approving the City's participation in the FTA Section 5311 Grant Application for the Public Transportation Program for 2024 through East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission with a local match of \$38,152

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of Resolution #5483. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5484** surplusing (22) Glock 41 and (4) Glock 44 handguns from the Police Department

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of Resolution #5484. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5485** approving a contract with Neel-Schaffer for design and CE&I services for culvert replacement on Willman Road at a cost not to exceed \$86,947

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Councilman Williams for the approval of Resolution #5485. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Councilman Power commented that although he does not have an issue with this resolution, it was requested that the City look into a secondary quote or bid to keep costs at a minimum.

**Resolution #5486** approving a Memorandum of Agreement with Omega Academy of Science and Fine Arts

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of Resolution #5486. Roll Call. AYES: All.

There was some discussion concerning the conveyance of title. City Attorney O'Brien stated that it could not be done unless it was declared surplus and sold, however the Redevelopment Authority could do a transfer. It was also mentioned that if work hadn't begun in a certain time frame or if Omega should sell the property, it would revert to back to the City.

**Resolution #5487** approving an agreement with Pyro Shows of Alabama for fireworks for July 4 at a cost of \$12,500

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Councilman Williams for the approval of Resolution #5487. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5488** approving a Memorandum of Understanding the acquisition of 113 West Court St. (AJ's building) at a cost of \$2,500

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of Resolution #5488. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5492** amending the Take Home Car Policy for the Talladega Police Department

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of Resolution #5492. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

<b>Water Department Expenditures for 5/4/2022 to 5/23/2022</b>	<b>\$138,664.32</b>
Water/Sewer Fund	138,664.32

**Resolution #5489** approving contract with Insite Engineering for oversight and construction administration of ongoing SCADA project for a cost not to exceed \$28,200 annually

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of Resolution #5489. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5490** approving a contract with Insite Engineering for design services for hydraulic repair to Tipton well at a cost not to exceed \$398,500

**Resolution #5491** approving a contract with Insite Engineering for design services for disk filter system at the Airport Wastewater Treatment Facility for a cost not to exceed \$144,300

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Spratlin for the approval of Resolution #5490 and #5491. Roll Call. AYES: All.

City Manager Hill announced that the City's application to Main Street Alabama had been accepted and deferred to Jimmy Williams. Mr. Williams came before the Council and gave a recap of the application process the City had to go through in order to be accepted into the program. It was also mentioned that out of 23 applicants only four had been accepted. City Manager Hill also wished to thank Public Information Officer Sood, City Planner Buyher, City Clerk Medlen, Ms. Nikki Baker, Building Inspector Jueckstock, Police Chief Thomas, Fire Chief Warwick, Jason Daves from the Chamber of Commerce, Chad Jones from First Bank of Alabama, Kevin Smith, Community Appearance, Public Works, Water Department, and everyone who played a part in the application process. City Manager Hill also commented that there had been five inquires of purchasing buildings on the Square, enrolled in high performance online courses to continue his education, had a full assessment done by AT&T concerning necessary fiber and broadband needed, building out the City's platform for camera system, partnered with Samaritan House to help those who need rental and utility assistance as well as landlord assistance, the Mayor's Summer Youth Program for high school interns began today, attended the ACMA conference where one of the discussion points was the increase in the amount the Manager is allowed to approve without going to the Council, partnered with Alta Pointe to assist those who need mental illness and substance abuse assistance, noted that in the packet to the Council a list of new roads was given and are currently looking at quotes for paving, started an Adopt-a-Mile program, wished to thank the Council for approving the Resolution concerning the AJ's building, thanked Citizens Baptist for feeding the Fire Department, had two firefighters complete certification, fire department answered over 100 calls of service this month, met with Oxford Police Department and District Attorney with Police Chief Thomas in an interview concerning recruiting, and mentioned that Falkner University is offering half price programs for employees to earn Bachelors and Masters degrees.

Councilman Power informed the Council that TOP Trails had a sponsored event for Hope for Outdoors which had games, bounce houses, safety exhibits, food vendors and auctions.

Council Member Spratlin commented that the memorial for the Hall of Heroes was very nice and that she got to see the new tank.

Council Member Hall commented that Chief Thomas was doing a great job.

Council President Patterson deferred to Reverend Hugh Morris. Reverend Morris requested that the Council set a time to fine line the details for the Citizens Review Board.

Mayor Ragland informed the Council that after discussions with Police Chief Thomas it was decided that a good time for the curfew would be for 18 and under from 10pm to 6am. This would not apply to people going to and from work or seeking medical treatment. The penalty for the first offense would be set at \$100 and would double at the second offense. He would submit it for Attorney O'Brien to look over and for the Council to review and make any necessary changes. Mayor Ragland also wished to acknowledge the upcoming birthday of Ida Young.

Council President Patterson asked everyone to think upon great work done to achieve the Main Street Alabama designation and the opportunities it would present to the City.

Motion by Council Member Spratlin 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, June 6, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the City of Talladega, Alabama City Hall Council Chambers.