

**CITY OF TALLADEGA  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
August 1, 2022 – 5:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, August 1, 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 Pastor Josh from Southside Baptist.

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

Public hearing was opened for anyone who wished to comment and/or object to the rezone of property located in the area of Mountain View Road. Attorney O'Brien came forth to request that the Council approve the rezone of this parcel as other parcels in this area are already zoned for manufactured homes. No one else was present to comment and the public hearing was closed.

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

<b>Total Invoices &amp; Expenditures from 7/9/2022-7/21/2022</b>	<b>\$186,121.95</b>
General Fund	938,471.42
Corrections Fund	18,698.71
Cemetery	5,350.00
Municipal Airport	2,561.31

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of the Regular Meeting of July 18, 2022. AYES: All.

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Councilman Williams to approve the contribution request for Talladega High School Cheer for the THS football program ad in the amount of \$100 with a picture of the Council in the ad. AYES: All.

**Ordinance #1912** amending Ordinance #1882 Talladega Zoning Ordinance

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Spratlin for the Reading of the Heading Only. Roll Call. AYES: All.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1882, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCES HERETOFORE ADOPTED, SAID ORDINANCE, AND THE AMENDMENTS RELATED THERETO, BEING ENTITLED, "TALLADEGA, ALABAMA, ZONING ORDINANCE," AS FOLLOWS, AND IN NO OTHER PARTICULARS

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Council Member Hall for Immediate Consideration of Ordinance #1912. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Councilman Williams for the Adoption of Ordinance #1912. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Ordinance #1913** amending Ordinance #1904 to change the effective date to October 1, 2022

Motion by Councilman Power with a second from Council Member Hall for the Reading of the Heading Only of Ordinance #1913. Roll Call. AYES: All.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1904 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE EFFECTIVE DATE TO OCTOBER 1, 2022 FOR THE INCREASE OF TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Spratlin for Immediate Consideration of Ordinance #1913. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Spratlin for the Adoption of Ordinance #1913. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5503** adopting the Title VI Policy for the Transportation Program

Motion by Councilman Williams with a second from Council Member Spratlin for the approval of Resolution #5503. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5504** adopting transportation plan pursuant to the Rebuild Alabama Act 2019-2

Motion by Council Member Hall with second from Council Member Spratlin for the approval of Resolution #5504. Roll Call. AYES: All.

**Resolution #5505** approving the one-time lump sum payment as provided for under Section 2 of Act 229 of the Regular Session of the 2022 Legislature for eligible retirees and beneficiaries

Councilman Williams requested that information be relayed to them within a grace period of 7 days to allow for time to make an educated vote. Councilman Power wished to acknowledge the presence of former police officer Alan Wheelles. Mr. Wheelles came before the Council requesting a yes vote for Resolution #5505. Present for the meeting concerning Resolution #5505 were 9 past employees.

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Councilman Power for the approval of Resolution #5505. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Patterson, Council Member Hall, Councilman Power, and Council Member Spratlin NAY: Councilman Williams

**Resolution #5506** approving an agreement with Skipper Consulting for professional traffic engineering services at a cost of \$34,400 *Tabled to next meeting w/Public Hearing*

Councilman Williams requested that the consideration of Resolution #5506 be delayed so a public hearing could be held at the next meeting to obtain feedback from citizens.

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

<b>Water Department Expenditures for 7/9/2022 to 7/21/2022</b>	<b>\$748,571.63</b>
Water/Sewer Fund	748,571.63

**Resolution #5507** approving the one-time lump sum payment as provided for under Act 2022-229 of the Regular Session of the Alabama Legislature for eligible retirees and beneficiaries of the Water and Sewer Department

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Council President Patterson for the approval of Resolution #5507. Roll Call. AYES: Council President Patterson, Council Member Hall, Councilman Power, and Council Member Spratlin NAY: Councilman Williams

City Manager Hill and Danielle Ridgeway from Covering Your Assets presented a financial update of the City's bank accounts and financial standing. It was mentioned that when he assumed the role of Manager, the City had been behind 3 years in audits and they are getting caught up. City Manager Hill also commented that the City is in good financial standing however are behind on journal entries and reconciliation of bank accounts. Councilman Power requested that the goal at some point is to receive an income expense report. There were some questions as to when a permanent Finance Director would be installed. City Manager Hill stated that there were four candidates and wished to make sure however was hired would come in with a clean slate.

City Manager Hill next commented that the City was working with East Alabama to obtain the grant reimbursement for the GP project which was never received, wished to acknowledge Representative Hurst, wished to thank the Council for approving the resolutions concerning the retirees, mentioned hotspots at the library, had a great meeting with Council Member Spratlin concerning Willman Road, mentioned a town hall meeting Friday for Willman Road, had a successful meeting on FOX news regarding the hiring of one of the interns, had a great meeting with a grant team on broadband expansion, also mentioned attending a back to school rally, and mentioned that August 26 is the date of the agreement with sister city, Daytona.

Council President Patterson requested an update on paving. Public Works Director Phillips commented that Council had been provided with a list of roads in November and that they are meeting with engineers to determine which roads the City could afford to pave. Council President Patterson asked how much was spent on paving. Director Phillips stated that none was spent this year as only pot holes have been patched.

Council Member Spratlin wished to remind everyone that the public hearing for Willman Road was scheduled for Friday, August 5 at 1:00pm.

There were some questions from the audience about Valley Road being in the City or County. It was mentioned that a portion was in the City and another in the County.

Motion by Council Member Hall 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, August 1, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the City of Talladega, Alabama City Hall Council Chambers.