Public Hearing on twelve (12) properties that are set for placement of weed abatement liens.

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
February 21, 2013 – 5:30 pm

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Thursday, February 21, 2013 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.

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

Total Invoices & Expenditures for 2/1/2013 to 2/15/2013   **$ 528,323.52**
General Operating Fund   470,630.55
Senior Nutrition Fund   592.55
Corrections Fund   30,783.29
Police Department Grant   24,679.76
Capital Improvement   1,637.37

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Ballow for approval of minutes of the regular meeting of February 21, 2013 with one correction. AYES: All.

City Manager Brian Muenger indicated that he had contacted Sally Flowers, Revenue Commissioner, concerning back taxes causing hardship on property owners. The Manager stated that he was informed that all but three property owners had paid in full and of those three only one property owner had not made arrangements for payments. The City Manager also reported to the Council on his recent trip to Washington D.C. where he met directly with Congressman Rogers, and the chiefs of staff of both Senator Session and Senator Shelby and presented the City's continuing issues regarding the CSX rail crossings in the center of the City. There was a great indication that the City would have the support of the legislative delegation in pursing funding for options to alleviate the problems through the Federal Railway Administration (FRA) and State level opportunities (ATRIP). CSX is planning to do improvements on the rail crossings in August 2013.

Motion by Councilman Simpson with a second from Councilman Patterson to appointed Dr. Jimmy Davis to the Library Board. AYES: All.

Resolution #2736 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for vacant lot on Taylor's Mill Road.
Resolution #2737 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for vacant lot on Knox Street.
Resolution #2738 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for 514 West Battle Street.
Resolution #2739 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for vacant lot on Jackson Street.
Resolution #2740 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for vacant lot on Knox Street.
Resolution #2741 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for 904 Summer Street.
Resolution #2742 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for 520 Court Street North.
Resolution #2743 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for Radio Station Highway 21S.
Resolution #2744 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for 102 McClellan Street.
Resolution #2745 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for 617 Avenue F.
Resolution #2746 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for 516 Court Street North
Resolution #2747 authorizing a lien for weed abatement for Old Talladega Fabrication Co.

Motion by Councilman Patterson with a second from Councilman Simpson to approve Resolutions #2736 through #2747. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2748 recognizing February as Black History Month 2013 in the City of Talladega.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Patterson to approve Resolution #2748. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2749 recognizing February 25, 2013 as Arbor Day in Talladega, Alabama.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Ballow to approve Resolution #2749. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2750 approving the application for a $7,500 Alabama Historical Commission grant for the development of a specialized set of design standards for the Historic District with a $2,500 funding match from the City.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Patterson approving Resolution #2750. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2751 approving the contract with Davis Builders for renovation of the Kenwin Building façade for a total cost of $33,420.

Motion by Councilman Ballow with a second from Councilman Patterson to approve Resolution #2751. Roll Call. AYES: All.

Resolution #2752 approving a contract with Clements Dean for renovation of Fire Station No. 1 for a total cost of $41,490.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Patterson to approve Resolution #2752. Roll Call. AYES: All.

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

Water Department Expenditures for 2/07/2013 to 2/14/2013   **$ 429,606.15**

Revenue Fund	92,879.13
Bond	26,904.04
Operations Fund	309,822.98

Resolution #2753 approving a contract with Schmidt Environmental of Auburn, AL for replacement of the flocculators in the second basin of the Water Treatment Plant for a total cost of $125,275.

Motion by Councilman Elston with a second from Councilman Patterson to approve Resolution #2753. Roll Call. AYES: All.

City Manger Muenger stated that there were be an Arbor Day ceremonial planting of a Japanese cherry tree out in front of the Police station on Monday, February 25, and that on Thursday, February 28, the Alabama Forestry Commission would hold a seedling give away at Veterans' Park. The Heritage Hall roof project should finish next week and then the contractor will move on to B.N. Mabra Center.

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 Thursday, February 21, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Talladega, Alabama.

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Elizabeth Cheeks, City Clerk