

**CITY OF TALLADEGA
PUBLIC HEARING**

14 July 2008
4:00 p.m.

Public Hearing to discuss the City's intent to surplus certain municipal property and convey the property to the Talladega City Board of Education for use as a school bus depot and maintenance facility.

Public Hearing was called to order in the City Hall Auditorium, and the following were present: Council President Horace Patterson, Councilman Lance Grissett, Councilman Donnie Miller, and City Manager Michael Stampfler.

No one was present to discuss for or against the issue. Public Hearing was adjourned.

**CITY OF TALLADEGA
CITY COUNCIL CALLED MEETING**

14 July 2008
4:15 p.m.

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a called meeting on Monday, 14 July 2008 at 4:00 p.m., in the City Hall Auditorium, the regular place for such meetings. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Horace Patterson, Councilman Donnie Miller, Councilman Lance Grissett and City Manager Michael Stampfler.

Ordinance #1641 declaring municipal property surplus and conveying property to the Talladega City Board of Education for the sole purpose of constructing and maintaining a school bus depot and maintenance facility.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second by Councilman Miller for immediate consideration of Ordinance #1641. Roll Call, AYES: All.

Motion by Councilman Miller with a second by Councilman Grissett for reading of the heading only of Ordinance #1641. Roll Call, AYES: All.

An Ordinance declaring and deeming certain municipal property surplus and not needed for public purposes and authorizing and approving the conveyance thereof.

Motion by Councilman Grissett with a second by Councilman Miller for the adoption of Ordinance #1641. Roll Call, AYES: All.

Councilman Miller indicated that he had spoken with Mr. Jim Floyd about the Wehadkee Plant being purchased by the City for use as a centralized vehicle storage and maintenance compound. City Manager Stampfler indicated that it was best to bring up the subject before the full Council at the next regular meeting;

City Manager Stampfler announced a Council Work Session scheduled for Thursday, July 24th, to set about 10 to 15 goals or objectives for the upcoming fiscal year's budget.

Meeting was scheduled to reconvene at 4:30 p.m. at the Zora Ellis Junior High School for a joint work session with the City Board of Education.

CITY OF TALLADEGA
CITY COUNCIL CALLED JOINT MEETING

14 July 2008

4:30 p.m.

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a called joint meeting with the City of Talladega Board of Education on Monday, 14 July 2008 at 4:30 p.m., at Zora Ellis Junior High School. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Horace Patterson, Councilman Donnie Miller, Councilman Lance Grissett, Councilman Jimmy Davis, City Manager Michael Stampfler, Mayor Brian York, Superintendent Horton and Board of Education members, James Braswell, Shirley Simmon-Sims, Mary McGhee, Joe Hare and Bonnie Miller.

1. City Council agreed to have the signal lights at the intersection of Elm Street and South Street to be set to flash red on South Street and yellow on Elm Street during two half hour intervals for the busy times of school buses and cars dropping off students in the morning and in the afternoon when school lets out. Signs indicating the school zone times are to be posted and the lights operational as requested in time for the opening of school system on August 7th.
2. City Council indicated that the flashing pedestal school lights on Highway 77 for the Houston Elementary and Talladega High School areas had been requested from ALDOT for this school year, but no delivery or installation date had been set by ALDOT.
3. Board of Education asked for an update on the property for the bus depot and maintenance facility. City Council indicated that the City was currently waiting for the release of the property from the bond so that it can be conveyed to the School Board but that it was expected within in the next couple of days. Council President Patterson asked the School Board what their timeframe was to re-locate once the property was available. Superintendent Horton indicated that it would be started as quickly as possible and that lighting and security cameras would need to be installed on the property. Board Member Joe Hare asked the City if it would be willing to help with grading the property. City Manager indicated he would look in to the matter. The safety issues of the fuel tank and the oil pit at the bus depot where the buses are currently housed was discussed, as were the improvements that would be made to Mary H. Dumas Stadium once the buses are moved to the new facility.
4. Superintendent Horton thanked the City Council for the \$45,000 matching funds for the Pre-K program that delivered to the School Board a few days earlier. This funding allowed the School Board to go ahead with plans for one classroom at Hal Henderson Elementary, hire a teacher, a teacher's aide and prepare the classroom for the 18 children who would be enrolled in the program. City Manager Stampfler asked the Board if they had formulated plans to sustain the program and eventually offer it to all 4-year olds. Superintendent Horton indicated that all of this was in the planning stages and that the pilot program had a renewal of 3 to 5 years.
5. Ms. Trisha Howell, Director for Talladega City Career/ Tech Center, with Heidi Edwards of the Chamber of Commerce gave a presentation on the programs at the Center that involved over 1,000 students in co-op programs, partnerships with local businesses and industries to bring in speakers, interview skills and resume writing. Working towards an 80% placement rate of students in college, military and careers. Director Howell asked the City to keep the Center in mind if there was any way the curriculum could be used to prepare students for advantages in the local work force.
6. Joint Meeting ended with a fifteen minute audio/visual presentation of achievements and projects during Dr. Horton's first year as Superintendent of the City's Schools

AUTHENTICATION

I, Elizabeth Cheeks, Acting 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 for a public hearing, a called meeting and a called joint session with the City Board of Education on Monday, 14 July 2008, at City Hall and at the Zora Ellis Junior High School in the City of Talladega, Alabama.

Elizabeth Cheeks
Acting City Clerk