

**CITY OF TALLADEGA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
December 1, 2025 – 5:30pm**

The City Council of the City of Talladega met in a regular meeting on Monday, December 1, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Talladega City Hall Chambers. The meeting was called to order and the following were present: Council President Hugh Sims, Councilman Steve Dickerson, Council Member Vickey Hall, Council Member Betty Spratlin, Interim City Manager Danny Warwick, and Mayor Ashton Hall.

Invocation by Councilman Dickerson.

Motion by Council President Sims with a second from Councilman Dickerson to excuse the absence of Councilman Denney. AYES: All.

Motion by Council Member Hall with a second from Council Member Spratlin to approve invoices and expenditures. AYES: All.

Total Invoices & Expenditures from 11/13/2025-11/21/2025		\$198,983.61
General Fund	171,901.93	
Corrections Fund	26,952.72	
Municipal Airport	128.96	

Resolution #6536 declaring 243 Long St. a public nuisance for weeds

Resolution #6537 declaring Vacant Lot on Long St. a public nuisance for weeds

Resolution #6538 declaring 2187 Allison Mill Rd. a public nuisance for weeds

Resolution #6539 declaring 1531 Allison Mill Rd. a public nuisance for weeds

Resolution #6540 declaring 101 Higgins St. a public nuisance for weeds

Resolution #6541 declaring 224 Grogan Rd. a public nuisance for weeds

Resolution #6542 declaring 265 Grogan Rd. a public nuisance for weeds

Resolution #6543 declaring 66 Turner St. a public nuisance for weeds

Resolution #6544 declaring 308 Maine St. a public nuisance for weeds

Resolution #6545 declaring 331 Highland Ave. a public nuisance for weeds

Resolution #6546 declaring 121 E. Lancaster St. a public nuisance for weeds

Motion by Councilman Dickerson with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of Resolution #6536 to Resolution #6546. AYES: All.

Travel Requests

Resolution #6547 approving the travel request for Mark Hooks to attend Interview and Interrogation training on December 1, 2025 to December 2, 2025 in Gardendale, Alabama

Motion by Council Member Hall with a second from Council Member Spratlin for the approval of Resolution #6547. AYES: All.

Resolution #6548 approving the travel request for Joanna Medlen to attend the District IV Clerk’s Meeting on December 4, 2025 in Gadsden, Alabama

Motion by Council President Sims with a second from Council Member Spratlin for the approval of Resolution #6548. AYES: All.

Resolution #6549 approving the travel request for Steve Dickerson, Vickey Hall, Hugh Sims, Betty Spratlin, and Shane Denney to attend the 2026 ALM Advocacy Day on January 21, 2026 in Montgomery, Alabama

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Council President Sims for the approval of Resolution #6549. AYES: All.

Resolution #6550 approving the travel request for Joanna Medlen and Emily Light to attend the 2026 ACCMA Winter Conference on January 21, 2026 to January 23, 2026 in Birmingham, Alabama

Motion by Council Member Spratlin with a second from Councilman Dickerson for the approval of Resolution #6550. AYES: All.

Resolution #6551 authorizing the Parks and Recreation Department to advertise for bids for Senior Trips

Motion by Council President Sims with a second from Council Member Hall for the approval of Resolution #6551. AYES: All.

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

Water Department Expenditures for 11/13/2025 to 11/21/2025	\$263,062.09
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Water/Sewer Fund	263,062.09
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Interim City Manager Warwick reported that he received the interview schedule from the consulting firm conducting the City Manager search. He stated the process consists of five phases and that the firm is currently in Phase 1. He noted that he has provided all information requested by the firm to support the process. He added that the firm requested contact information for department heads and members of the City Council. Interim City Manager Warwick stated that he would distribute information to the Council as the process moves through each phase and would provide brief updates on progress. Council discussion emphasized the importance of completing the process within the 120-day period established for the interim appointment. The Council requested clarification of the final date for the 120-day deadline and discussed coordinating a Zoom meeting with the consulting firm as part of the process.

Mayor Hall expressed appreciation to the community and City staff, extended holiday well-wishes, and encouraged attendance and support for upcoming events, including the Fire Department Banquet and Christmas on the Square. He stated that he looks forward to the coming year.

Councilman Dickerson offered holiday greetings and congratulated Talladega College on receiving two awards in separate divisions. He encouraged participation in the upcoming Christmas Parade and invited all to be represented on the float.

Council President Sims stated that he had planned to discuss the proposal regarding new school construction with Dr. Lee and requested that the discussion be tabled due to Councilman Denney's absence and ongoing questions. He noted that the matter would be placed on the December 15 meeting agenda, and that Dr. Lee and Finance Director Phillips are expected to be present to answer questions. He also encouraged participation in the Christmas Parade and the Tree Lighting Ceremony, noting that both events begin at 6:00 p.m. and encouraged attendees to support both events.

Motion by Council Member Hall with a second from Councilman Dickerson to adjourn the meeting. 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, December 1, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the City of Talladega, Alabama City Hall Council Chambers.


Joanna Medlen, City Clerk